

**Minutes AMBERG TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
**COMMUNITY CENTER GYM**  
**Tuesday, July 13,2021 6:00 pm**

Chairman Mattison called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with Mattison, Supervisors Magley and Campbell, Treasurer Suzawith, Clerk Boshen and eighteen citizens. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Mattison opened the floor to public comments. Ron Holmes was upset about the wording of the bids for White Rapids Loop especially the elimination of the right to accept any and all bids, and the wording requesting all virgin material which eliminated one bid. He stated that he believed it was bid rigging. Mark Wisinski asked if the focus on energy grant funding has been dealt with as of yet. George Kloppenburg stated that the county is trying to place a 980 sexual offender in Amberg. The County is required to find a private residence for the offender to stay in and must be place in the county he/she is from. Mark Wisinski argued against everything that George said. Rick Downs stated that repeat offenders are liable to repeat their offense. Mark Wisinski stated that two sexual offenders are housed in Pound. Supervisor Magley wants to clean up the Town's streets stating that there are six cars and a popup camper on Grant Street within the Town's road right of way. There are also cars partially blocking the alley east of Grant Street and several trucks in the County V right of way between the highway and railroad tracks. Ron Holmes stated that those cars on Grant St. are definitely within town right of way. Jim Fronsoe, plan commission member, stated that there are more than 3 or 4 different right of way widths on the roads in the Town of Amberg, Supervisor Campbell responded to the audience comments and suggested that the property owners be sent a certified letter to remove the all vehicles touching or within the Town right of way within a certain time limit. If they are not removed they will be towed at the owner's expense. ***(This conversation occurred in open floor and was not on the agenda so no actual action can be taken at this time).***

No clerk's report was given. Treasurer Suzawith reported that Cash on Hand in the general money market account was \$105,938.28; tax money market \$490,901.10, checking\$ 7,502.99, health savings account \$43,395.02, equipment fund cd \$159,051.21 and tonight's vouchers totaled \$54,171.74. Lisle talked to Jane Meissner about houses within other buildings (garages, sheds etc.) They can be inspected by town designated inspector including sheds and other structures used as a bunk house. Ron Magley stated that the Town should have sheds, garages, etc. inspected so there are no livable structures/man caves inside. Ron Magley made a motion to do this with Supervisor Campbell making a second. ***(Not on the agenda so no actual action can be taken at this time).*** Building code issue is not an assessment problem. Put on agenda for next month. Fran Campbell asked if you need a permit to build an outhouse. Lisle replied if it is a new one the county has to issue the permit. Vouchers were paid.

### **On-Going/Continuing Business**

Plan Commission Chairman Fred Smeester reported that the regular monthly meeting of the Amberg plan commission was held July 7 2021 in the community center at 6:30 pm. The topic of the evening was to further consider a camping trailer parking ordinance. State guidelines were look at and a state recommended form of structure. Enforcement still seems to be a challenge, so the board needs to be consulted. Meeting adjourned at 7:40.

Due to the resignation of Ron Holmes as our Rescue Squad representative the board needs to select a new voting representative on board of directors. Mark Wisinski volunteered to fill that position. Supervisor Campbell made a motion to appoint Mark as the Town's representative to the Squad with a second made by Supervisor Magley. Motion passed. The Clerk will send a letter to the Wausaukee Rescue Squad letting them know of the new representative.

The Fire Department Report is on file in Clerk's office. Chairman Mattison reported that the crew is continuing to work of White Rapids Loop Road and it will hopefully be blacktopped next month.

The board is currently looking at information about the American Rescue Plan Local Fiscal Recovery Funds procedures, such as does it have to be in a separate account, or can it be comingled with general funds as long as a separate set of books is kept; does the interest earned need to be accounted for; does infrastructure include road work? (General consensus at this time is to keep the funds in a separate checking account until more information is known). Clarification of uses of the grant is needed before the town can decide on how the funds will be used. Supervisor Campbell is going to the next Towns Association meeting and will ask questions.

Consider purchase of additional Shop Equipment such as a 5 or 6" vice; larger air compressor with 1" impact gun; larger chain saw to replace 20 year old one; chop saw for metal cutting) and get bids on having the cemetery stumps ground down. An audience member asked if the crew actually needs these items. Chairman Mattison stated he is against grinding stumps due to the cost per inch. He also stated that there is no hurry for any of it. Supervisor Magley asked Road Dept. Supervisor Parr to get cost estimates for all of it and bring back to next meeting.

## **New Business**

Bids were received for on road diesel, propane, and garbage/recycling. One bid was received for on #2 road diesel from Country Vision for \$3.219/gallon for 5000 gallons to be used for within one year. Two bids were received for propane: Country Vision 7,981 gallons at 1.399/gallon vs Country Style at 1.368/gallon. One bid was received from GAD for garbage/recycling contract at \$6050/summer month and \$4820/winter month based on time on road. Recycling price is lower than last year. To answer audience questions the representative stated that there is a successorship clause and that if GAD is ever sold the new over would have to honor the existing contract and the current owner will never sell to Waste Management. Chairman Mattison made the motion to accept the GAD bid for a 5 year term with a 3.5% cost of living cap and to go with Country Vision for the diesel fuel and propane with a second by Supervisor Magley. Motion passed.

Legion Commander Jim Fronsoe reported that a flag box for worn out flag disposal has been donated to the legion and will be cleaned up, repainted and placed in the main entrance of the Community Center with the board's permission. Permission granted. The Legion is also seeking permission to provide two additional benches and/or tables to be chained to maple tree at swimming hole and is seeking board permission. Permission granted.

There is a possibility that Wontor Rd from Barker Rd to the culvert could be pulverized and graveled this year for paving next year. According to a citizen on Mundt Quarry it should be paved as promised several years ago. Other roads that could be pulverized and graveled include Marquis Rd. by Deer Trail Lane, Carter Rd, and Pine grove.

The road department employee requested that the payroll schedule be changed from two times/month to every two weeks. (26 pay periods instead of 24). The HAS accounts for the road crew employees need to be transferred into their names to clear up some legal issue. The board unanimously approved the change to correct the legal issues.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 on a motion made by Supervisor Magley with a second by Supervisor Campbell.