## City of Amenia City Council Meeting March 4th, 2025 Minutes

## In Attendance:

- Tony Roth
- Merle Myers
- Cody Cashman
- Tasha Pond
- John Prien
- Bill Martin

## **City Business**

- Tony called meeting to order 7:00pm
- Tony read the meeting minutes from February meeting:
  - Approved by Cody Cashman
  - Seconded by Merle Myers
  - Motion Passed
- Cass Rural Water Usage- 115,710 gallons
- SLFLF Grant Report April Due Date, Tony has not heard any update as of today's meeting
- Online Meeting with Cass Rural Water- Tony brought more details
  - more financial information will be coming later this fall
  - $\circ$  it will be 1.5-2 years before transitioning
- Sewer line telescoping grant- waiting on completion of state audits
- Water inspection- Spring clean up around lagoon, lock electrical, propane tank, lift station after all is done
- Levee project is stalled until spring, Fema has not released new flood map yet
  - meetings coming up for new projects, our project has been submitted for multiple years so no need to attend the meetings
- This spring we will contact the company to scope out the water stops this summer. We already paid for the service from a company and this one of the benefits they provide. We will contact them when the snow melts all the way.
- Bill Martin's city bill- as of 3/1/2025 quickbook has the bill at \$300, Tasha is going to reconcile this with the deposited checks from 2023 until now.
- Sheriff report for February read by Tony.
- Grants- Waiting on the Garrison grant as we did not have enough information or money set aside for this grant.
  - Outdoor heritage Fund- Establish 2013 with 4 directive. (A-D). Directive D is fosr establish parks and other recreational areas.
    - 25% private match required, higher match receive higher scores
    - Tasha will look into this grant for our park.
  - North Dakota Forest Service Community forestry grant- Tasha will look into the grants and apply if able
    - The Purpose is to engage citizens in planting trees and improving city tree canopies. Can be used to plant, removal and replacement, and educational outreach.
    - Spring application is March through April 30, 2025
    - 4 grants within the Community of grants- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> could benefit us
      - Community Family Forest- for small scale projects Maximum award \$1500-2000 80/20 match

- ATB (America the Beautiful Maximum award 10,000 50/50 match Help promote diversity of trees in community or provide funds for projects other than tree planting
- BIL (Bipartisan infrastructure law) Award maximum \$10,000 or \$25,000, used to remove diseased and poor condition trees and replanting, only available to communities with less then 2,500 people.
- Gave permission to Purchase Grant finder for 2025 to help find grants for the city.
- Projects- Tasha will be going through previous minutes and making a list of projects that have been postponed.
  - Project ideas for grants
    - Bleachers for ball field at park
    - Jungle gym and additional play equipment
    - repair plastic edging (holds rocks) around the playground
  - Jon brought up removing dead trees and replanting- going to get quotes from businesses around the area, looking into grants as well
- Ottertail: Multiple complaints of street lights not working in town. Tasha will contact on behalf of the city
  - Addresses that lights are not properly functioning 410 Reed St, 301 Reed St, and 102 Reed St.
- Cass Rural Water sent as email about unknown service line material- Tasha is looking into the details to see what this is all about and will report back if it requires attention.
- Cass Reporter- mistake of sending both January minutes (approved) and February Minutes (not approved). Both will be billed for March.
- Casselton Fire Station Contract- annual meeting was Feb. 20, 2025 7pm.

• Typically chief attends a city meeting- mayor signs annual service agreement at this meeting Bills paid in February

Name	Amount	Date Paid	Payment Type	Confirmation #	For
Cass County Reporter	\$54.40	02/16/25			City Council Nov. 4 2024
Tony Roth	\$160.00	2/10/202 5	Bill Pay		Jan. 2025 Auditor Job 8 hours
Tasha Pond	\$145.00	2/16/25	Bill Pay		Jan. 2025 Auditor Job 7.25 Hours
Petro Serve Acct. 0023902	\$609.00	2/16/25			Petro servce Prev. balance \$600 with finance charge \$9.00
Total	\$968.40				

## **Motion to adjourn** by Cody at 7:43pm **Next Meeting** April 7th, 2025