

November 3, 2025

The regular council meeting was called to order by Mayor Sevcik. Present from the council were Tom Boeck, KC Reuter, Gina Massop, and Tiffany Sevcik. Also present were Chris Kruse, Don Wolters, Patty Smith, Bruce Ward, Connor/Mapleton PD, Tamara Dicks, Shannon Sweeney, Zach Bubany & Nathan Fiest – Bollig, Leslie & Brad Bair, Amanda & Randal Burger, and other community members (see sign in sheet).

Everyone stood and recited the pledge of allegiance

Minutes: A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by T Sevcik to approve the minutes from the October 6, 2025, meeting. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Massop and 2nd by Boeck to approve the minutes from the October 16, 2025, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Bills: A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Massop to approve the bills.

City of Amboy	Check 12412 – 12454 & EFT's 1024E – 1032E	\$356,274.58
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Smith had no additional bills. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing Annexation: The regular meetings was closed and the public hearing on annexing land was opened. No community comment, public hearing was closed, and regular meeting was opened.

Ordinance 148 – Annexing Land: A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Massop to approve Ordinance 148 to annex land located in Shelby Township into the City of Amboy. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing Unpaid Utility Bills: The regular meeting was closed and the public hearing for unpaid utility bills was opened. A question was asked on whether residents were given reasonable amount of time to respond and T Chavez, who received a notice responded, received the notice in a reasonable time. There were 2 addresses on the list that have paid their utility bill and should not be sent for taxes. Public hearing was closed, and regular meeting was opened. A motion was made by Boeck and 2nd by T Sevcik to approve the 6 on the list to be put on the tax rolls. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing on Approval of Business Subsidy Agreement: The regular meeting was closed and the public hearing on the business subsidy agreement was opened. The city has not received the signed development agreement with Grover Trucking. It is still being reviewed by the attorneys. Shannon Sweeney recommended to the council to continue this hearing to the December 1, 2025, meeting. This public hearing will be continued at the December 1, 2025, meeting. Public hearing was closed, and regular meeting was opened.

Bollig: Nathan Fiest presented to council on the water upgrades. The current H2O system does not allow us to do any programming changes or reset most alarms. Fiest presented 3 options from AE2S, they are a company that would help us reprogram our current system to make it user friendly.

Option 1 – Program new water controls into existing H2O system - \$34,700

Option 2 – Re-program new and existing water controls into RO system which would enable us to control it and alarms - \$85,500

Option 3 – Reprogram new and existing water into RO system and enable a cloud-based monitoring, tracking, trending, controls, and alarms - \$149,900

This would be a separate contract with AE2S, and Option 3 would include a \$5000 annual fee for support of the system. This would include writing a program that would work for Amboy, hardware, and the VPN system.

Kruse currently works with AE2S system at the Delavan water plant. He has a cloud system, which allows him to access everything he needs for the Delavan plant. The system would be through a VPN (virtual private network), and Massop explained that it is a very secure network and the passwords would be very extensive. Bollig recommends to the council either Option 2 or Option 3. We would not know how much will be covered by the PFA until bids are submitted for the other upgrades. Reuter made a motion and 2nd by Massop to approve Option 2 for AE2S to reprogram new and existing controls into the RO system for \$85,500. Motion carried unanimously. After the bids come in for the upgrades, council could still change to Option 3. A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by T Sevcik to authorize Bollig's to go out for construction bids for the RO upgrade. Motion carried unanimously.

Bollig is still working with MN Dept of Health on chemical changes to our water system and working with our city attorney on storm water upgrades.

Zach Bubany discussed the resolution authorizing the issuance of the tax increment financing bond. This allows the contractor to move forward with the construction. If we delay this financing, it will delay the project, and the cost could increase. We will be receiving \$484,000 grant money towards this project. A motion was made by Massop and 2nd by T Sevcik to approve Resolution Authorizing the Issuance, Sale, and Delivery of \$737,000 General Obligation Tax Increment Financing Bond. Motion carried unanimously. Sweeney stated that this resolution would also include the loan agreement and pre-and post-issuance compliance policies and procedures.

A pre-construction meeting will be held with Kruse and Smith on November 5, so we should be able to get a timeline for the project. Council requested the construction company be made aware of the snowmobile trail that is near that area and to make sure "road" is blocked, so it is not being used by residents during construction phase.

Resolution 2025 – 28 Fire Relief Donation: A motion was made by Boeck and 2nd by T Sevcik to approve the donation of \$1900 for wet suits. Motion carried unanimously.

Complaints/Requests Received by City: Keppler Fence 10/21/25, Documentation of 10/16 meeting 10/24/25, 3-day rule 10/24/25, Inadequate notice 10/24/25, Attempt to close/resolve complaints 10/24/25, Improper delegation of complaints 10/24/25, Failure to

notify 10/25/25, Misrepresentation of Oct 16 meeting 10/25/25, Impartiality of citizen member appointment 10/25/25, Failure to log complaints 10/25/25, Failure to retain complaints 10/25/25, Missing complaints Sept-Oct 10/25/25, Unauthorized driveway 10/25/25, Unauthorized city worker involvement 10/25/25, Mishandling of complaints prior to Oct 16 10/25/25, Request for record/review of complaints 10/27/25 & 10/29/25, Inappropriate comment by land board member 10/27/25, Request for maps, surveys 10/27/25, ADA compliance of meeting information 10/28/25, Bias on fence permit 10/28/25, Complaint review process 10/29/25, Document civil standby 10/30/25, Improper Fence permit 10/31/25. These 23 complaints/requests will be given to the complaint committee for review at their November meeting.

The complaint committee met on October 21, and 9 complaints were reviewed with no further action recommended to the council. A motion was made by Boeck and 2nd by T Sevcik to accept the recommendation of the complaint committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Tobacco and 3.2 Beer License for Casey's: A motion was made by T Sevcik and 2nd by Massop to approve the tobacco and 3.2 license for Casey's. Motion carried unanimously.

Zoning: Permit 655 deck, motion made by Massop and 2nd by Reuter to approve if all setbacks are met. Motion carried unanimously. Permit 656 shed, motion made by Boeck and 2nd by T Sevcik to approve if all setbacks are met. Motion carried unanimously. Permit 657 fence, motion made by Reuter and 2nd by Massop to approve if all setbacks are met. Motion carried unanimously. Permit 658 gates, motion made by Reuter and 2nd by Boeck to approve if all setbacks are met. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports: Leaf sucker works very well. It is still labor intense and takes time with Kruse and Wolters both needed to make it work. It could pick up resident leaves, but it is timely process. It is something that could be discussed for next fall. The Jetter truck still needs parts.

Resolution 2025 – 29 LJP Rate Increase for 2026: A motion was made by Massop and 2nd by Reuter to approve the rate increase for LJP for 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Paid Family Leave: Revisions were made and this policy would go into effect January 1, 2026. Employees need to be notified and sign that they have received the policy by December 1, 2025. Motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Massop to approve the Paid Family Leave Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Alleys: Does the council want to give back the grass alleys to the residents that live along them? Question was asked if we mow any of the alleys, we only mow 2 of them. Council would like to leave the alleys as they are with no further action being done.

Health Insurance: Received quotes for PEIP (public employees health insurance) and from our agent for Blue Cross Blue Shield and Medica. PEIP does require you to sign a 4-year

contract. They have a history of 4-5% increases where our insurance has been going up about 8 – 10 %. The rates quoted for PEIP are less than through our agent. A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by T Sevcik to approve PEIP health insurance for 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Open Comment: Brad Bair just acknowledged he was at meeting on the annexation of his property. Randal Burger spoke about the misconduct by the land meeting official. He has talked to the FBI and the county attorney. He also referenced being upset that the police were called to attend the planning commission meeting so that the officer would intimidate him so the meeting could be started. Burger will be pressing legal charges on all of us for being a part of it. All the complaints are now data for Burger. “You can all keep trying to intimidate me all you want but you are not going to do it” He then swore at the council “F--- them” and walked out of the meeting stating “F--- them, What a piece of shit” Jean Simonton asked about the leaf sucker and the policy for picking up leaves; at this time, it is only for storm drains. She also asked about her delinquent payments on her utility bills, was not sure on when to make payment; Smith advised them to come to office to discuss. Boeck wanted to thank the public works for trying out the leaf sucker. Reuter said the complaint committee will set a date for November meeting. M Sevcik will be researching a different format on how to run our open comment and present at next meeting.

A motion was made by Reuter and 2nd by Boeck to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Sevcik, Mayor

Council

ATTEST:

Patty Smith, Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer