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Jeff Timmermann

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ALBERS

PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

HELD ON August 12, 2019.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: President Steve Schomaker, called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

ROLL CALL: Trustees Athmer, Kenow, McDermid and Timmermann were present at roll call. Behrmann and Schwierjohn were absent, their absences were excused.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR SESSION MINUTES: The minutes from the Regular Meeting on July 08, 2019.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to accept the minutes as presented. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 4 – yeas, 0 – nays; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Agenda was reviewed. Athmer asked to add "Insurance Claim for Vandalism at Park" to Improvements & Park Committee.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to approve the Agenda as amended. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 4 - yeas, 0 - nays; motion carried.

OTHER VILLAGE OFFICIALS: Brenda Morris, Clerk; Attorney Duane Clarke; Attorney Luke Behme; Chris Horstmann, Water & Sewer Superintendent; Dan Holtmann, Streets & Lighting Superintendent; Brian Vielweber, Police Chief and Cindy Hubert, Treasurer were in attendance. Jeannie Brendel, Zoning Administrator, was absent.

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE: Dave Wellen, resident, was in attendance to observe.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE AND DISASTER RESPONSE - Dennis Behrmann, Chairman: Behrmann was absent.

Police Chief's Report - Brian Vielweber, Chief of Police: Chief Vielweber presented the Police Chief's Report.

Chief Vielweber updated the Board that planning for the 'D.A.R.E. To Jeep With Us' ride on Saturday, September 21, has begun. All proceeds benefiting the Albers Elementary School D.A.R.E. Program. He thanked Rocky Robertson of Robertson's Auto Body for partnering with the Albers Police Department promoting the event.

Stephen Schomaker - Village President

Trustees - Scott Athmer, Dennis Behrmann, Kevin Kenow, Mike McDermid, Kent Schwierjohn and Jeff Timmermann

Brenda Morris - Village Clerk

Brian Vielweber - Police Chief

Cindy Hubert - Village Treasurer

Dan Holtmann - Streets & Lighting Superintendent

Jeannie Brendel - Zoning Administrator

Chris Horstmann - Water & Sewer Superintendent



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A MOTION WAS MADE BY Athmer to approve 'D.A.R.E. To Jeep With Us' ride on Saturday, September 21. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 4 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

FINANCE - Mike McDermid, Chairman: McDermid presented reports to each Trustee for their respective committees.

McDermid asked Trustees to review information for their respective committees to be submitted on the upcoming tax levy. He reported there has been no increase in the tax levy submitted by the Village of Albers for the past nine years.

McDermid presented the invoices for review.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to pay the bills submitted in the amount of \$100,897.92. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 4 - yeas; 0 - nays; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report - Cindy Hubert, Treasurer: Treasurer Hubert presented the Treasurer's Report. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to accept the Treasurer's Report. McDermid seconded the motion. Vote was 4 – yeas, 0 – nays; motion carried.

IMPROVEMENTS & PARK - Scott Athmer, Chairman: Athmer noted that improvements on the maintenance shed expansion are continuing and near completion.

Athmer updated the Board that fluorescent lighting has been replaced in Village buildings with LED lighting per the Energy Efficiency Incentive Grant from AmerenIP.

Athmer reported the dumpster at the JC Hall is being overused and often unavailable to parties renting the JC Hall. He is researching options for enclosing/locking the dumpster, ensuring it is used appropriately.

Athmer updated the Board that \$4,525.00 was paid on the insurance claim for vandalism at the Lehrter/JC Park pavilion bathrooms. Total damages are estimated to be \$5,025.00, with Engelmann Construction making all repairs.

STREETS & LIGHTING - Jeff Timmermann, Chairman: Timmermann reported that repairs to North Franklin Street are scheduled to be completed tomorrow, August 13.

President Schomaker asked the Board to consider having Thole Tree Service collect limbs from the collection site at Lehrter/JC Park 3-4 times annually, or as needed at a cost of \$300-\$400/trip. It was agreed that this would eliminate excess yard waste and effectively maintain the site.

Streets and Village Superintendent's Report - Dan Holtmann, Superintendent: Superintendent Holtmann updated the Board that designated streets will be oiled Thursday, September 12.

WATER & SEWER - Kevin Kenow, Chairman: Kenow asked the Board to consider approving the proposal from Kohrman Electric for installing a new 25' utility pole at the west lift station for \$8,492.00.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to approve the proposal from Kohrman Electric for install a new 25' utility pole at the west lift station for \$8,492.00. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Kenow noted that Clin-Clair Fire Department (CCFD) has been asked that hydrants at 703 Del Ray Drive and 606 N. Commercial Street be replaced this year, with two hydrants to be replaced each year.

Water & Sewer Superintendent's Report - Chris Horstmann, Superintendent: Superintendent Horstmann presented the water loss report. -2.08% water loss for July, with a -5.47% water loss for the previous twelve months was reported.

Superintendent Horstmann reported issues with the ammonia pump and will be researching the purchase of a peristaltic pump to improve water quality.

ZONING - Kent Schwierjohn, Chairman: Schwierjohn was absent.

Zoning Administrator's Report - Jeannie Brendel, Administrator: Administrator Brendel was absent. President Schomaker reported one accessory permit was submitted for July.

COMMUNICATIONS: No Communications were reported.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business reported.

NEW BUSINESS: President Schomaker updated everyone on his recent meeting with Ameren Illinois' representatives voicing concerns about services in Albers. McDermid and Behrmann were in attendance. Paul Nixon, Community Relations Coordinator, and Jason Klein, Division VI Director, assured President Schomaker of Ameren Illinois' commitment to serving Albers and will continue working on eliminating power outages. Mr. Klein noted that he is aware of the Village's interest in eliminating the large poles on North Commercial Street, but noted that no immediate plans are being discussed to remove them. McDermid added that Mr. Klein also explained system vulnerabilities are being addressed to improve service, including splitting feeds and updating infrastructure.

President Schomaker asked the Board to consider a donation to the Clinton County Veteran's Day Celebration in Germantown on Monday, November 11, 2019.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to donate \$300.00 to the Clinton County Veteran's Day Celebration from the Tourism Fund. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 4 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

The Village-wide yard sales are scheduled for Saturday, September 14, from 7a.m.-2p.m. Maps will not be printed, residents hosting yard sales are asked to advertise independently and on the Village of Albers Face Book page.

ADJOURNMENT: A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to adjourn the meeting. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 4 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Brenda Morris, Village Clerk