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"Providing security and services to improve the quality of life for our residents."

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Jeff Timmermann

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ALBERS PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON July 13, 2020.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

APPROVAL OF REGULAR SESSION MINUTES: The minutes from the Regular Meeting from June 08, 2020, were reviewed.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to approve the minutes as presented. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 - yeas, 0 - nays; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Agenda was reviewed. McDermid asked that "Electrical Aggregation Agreement - Discussion / Vote" be moved to the upcoming meeting when agreement details are available. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Schwierjohn to approve the Agenda as amended. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 6 - yeas, 0 - nays; motion carried.

OTHER VILLAGE OFFICIALS: Brenda Morris, Clerk; Chief Vielweber, Streets & Lighting Superintendent Rolves, Water & Sewer Superintendent Horstmann and Attorney Luke Behme were in attendance. Treasurer Hubert and Zoning Administrator Brendel were excused from the meeting.

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE: Dan & Chris Holtmann; Brad & Lindsay, Braxton and Liam Fischer; Dale & Kim and Kyle Holtmann were in attendance to recognize Dan Holtmann's retirement as Streets & Lighting Superintendent. Dave Wellen, resident, was in attendance to observe; Ed Wuebbels, resident, was in attendance to address speeding through town.

President Schomaker and the Board recognized Dan Holtmann, former Streets & Lighting Superintendent, for his years of service and recent retirement. President Schomaker thanked Superintendent Holtmann for his tireless work curbing all streets in Albers and professionally maintaining Lehrter/JC Park in addition to performing all other duties.

President Schomaker recognized Ed Wuebbels, resident, to address the Board concerning speeding in

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

Eric Rolves - Streets & Lighting Superintendent

Jeannie Brendel - Zoning Administrator

Chris Horstmann - Water & Sewer Superintendent



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Albers. Mr. Wuebbels asked the Board to consider increased efforts to control speeding through Albers. Chief Vielweber stated that the mobile speed sign has been operating on the main streets through Albers, patrols have been increased to monitor traffic and several speed studies have been conducted. The Board discussed the issue with Mr. Wuebbels and Chief Vielweber. All parties agreed to continue working on the issue of controlling speeding and ensuring the safety of all residents.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE AND DISASTER RESPONSE - Dennis Behrmann, Chairman: Behrmann asked Chief Vielweber to discuss updates to Alternate Vehicle Permit Renewals. Chief Vielweber updated the Board that current alternative vehicle permit renewals are being reviewed and an updated procedure will be presented at the upcoming Committee Meeting for review.

President Schomaker read the letter sent by Jim Page of Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS) commending Chief Vielweber for his services with the Special Response Team at recent area protests. On behalf of the Board, President Schomaker thanked Chief Vielweber for serving with ILEAS and working hard protecting our residents.

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

Chief Vielweber updated the Board that he is researching security cameras and is scheduling visits with representatives offering required services; he will update the Board as information and quotes are available.

WATER & SEWER - Kevin Kenow, Chairman: Kenow updated the Board that no updates are available on the request by the Village of Damiansville to amend the current water supply services agreement. Brian Buchheit of HMG Engineers, is working with engineers at Curry & Associates, representing the Village of Damiansville, to find an optimal solution benefiting both communities.

Kenow noted that water and sewer rates are being reviewed and will be discussed at the upcoming Committee Meeting.

Water & Sewer Superintendent's Report - Chris Horstmann, Superintendent: Superintendent Horstmann updated the Board that parts for the hydrant to be installed at the corner of North Broadway and West Alois Streets are to be received this week.

The building under the water tower has been cleaned out and will be used for storage as soon as improvements are complete.

Superintendent Horstmann reported +9.74% water gain for June, -3.65% water loss for the previous twelve months.

FINANCE - Mike McDermid, Chairman: McDermid updated the Board that the details of the recent electrical aggregation agreement will be presented at the upcoming meeting.

McDermid presented the invoices to the Board for review, totaling \$34,573.19.
A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to approve payment of invoices totaling \$34,573.19.
Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

McDermid reviewed the committee reports with the Board and asked trustees to contact him with questions.

Treasurer's Report - Cindy Hubert, Treasurer: Treasurer Hubert was absent, her absence was excused. McDermid presented the Treasurer's Report in Treasurer Hubert's absence.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to accept the Treasurer's Report. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

IMPROVEMENTS & PARK - Scott Athmer, Chairman: Athmer updated the Board on installing WIFI at Lehrter/JC Park. Wisper Internet has offered to set the 80' pole and install WIFI, sharing the \$3,000.00 cost with the Village. Kohrman Electric has offered to run an electrical line with outlet for a total cost of \$2,500.00. An alternate offer made by Charter Communications to install WIFI was at a cost of \$350/month for services, which exceeds the offer by Wisper Internet.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Athmer to install WIFI at Lehrter/JC Park with Wisper Internet at a cost of \$3,000 for pole installation and Kohrman Electric running an electrical line with outlet for a total cost of \$2,500. Total installation not to exceed \$5,500.00. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

STREETS & LIGHTING - Jeff Timmermann, Chairman: Timmermann reported the work scheduled on the alley behind the 100 block of North Commercial Street is complete, repairs to South Franklin Street is in progress and improvements to the storm sewer on Meadowlark Drive is being scheduled.

Streets and Lighting Superintendent's Report - Eric Rolves, Superintendent: Superintendent Rolves updated the Board that designated streets will be oiled Thursday, September 10.

ZONING - Kent Schwierjohn, Chairman: Schwierjohn updated the Board that a Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 06 @ 6:30p.m. to discuss repurposed container restrictions and reviewing/updating Chapter 34, Subdivision Code, Article 5, Design and Improvement Standards, Division 12, 13, and 14 regarding storm water detention.

Zoning Administrator's Report - Jeannie Brendel, Administrator: Administrator Brendel was absent, her absence was excused.

COMMUNICATIONS: No Communications were presented.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS: President Schomaker asked the Board to consider donating \$100.00 to the upcoming Clin-Clair Fire Department (CCFD) Annual Golf Scramble.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to donate \$100.00 to CCFD from the Tourism Fund. Schwierjohn seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

President Schomaker asked the Board to consider refunding the \$150.00 liquor license fees to Albers Commercial Club, American Legion Post #1026, Pete's Bar & Grill and Shorty's Tavern in response to lost income due to COVID-19.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to refund the \$150.00 liquor license fee to Albers Commercial Club, American Legion Post #1026, Pete's Bar & Grill and Shorty's Tavern. Schwierjohn seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

President Schomaker noted that the Albers Blast-Off Fireworks! on Friday, July 03, was a success and very well attended. Many compliments have been received on the show and President Schomaker thanked everyone for donating to the event.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: No Executive Session was held.

ADJOURNMENT: A MOTION WAS MADE BY Schwierjohn to adjourn the meeting. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Brenda Morris, Village Clerk