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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 October 11, 2021.

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

President Schomaker announced presenting a military recognition sign to Jeffrey D. Albers. The sign was presented at American Legion Post #1026 on Sunday to Brad Albers, Jeffrey's father, by President Schomaker and Dale Huegen, Post Commander.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR SESSION MINUTES: The Board reviewed the minutes from Regular Meeting held on September 13, 2021.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to approve the minutes as presented. Schwierjohn seconded the motion. Vote was 4 - yeas, 0 - nays; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Agenda was reviewed.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to approve the agenda as presented. McDermid seconded the motion. Vote was 4 - yeas, 0 - nays; motion carried.

OTHER VILLAGE OFFICIALS: Clerk Morris, Chief Vielweber, Streets & Lighting Superintendent Rolves, Water & Sewer Superintendent Horstmann, Zoning Administrator Brendel and Attorney Terry Bruckert were in attendance. Treasurer Hubert was absent, her absence was excused.

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE: Members of the Bob & Melissa Netemeyer family were in attendance to promote Tee'd Off with ALS Golf Scramble, benefiting the Lyle Rakers Charitable Foundation on Saturday, October 16. Deb Clark, member of the Metro-East Diaper Bank, was in attendance to thank residents for participating in 'National Diaper Awareness Week' by donating diapers and to receive a \$100.00 donation from the Village of Albers. Dave Wellen, resident, was in attendance to observe.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING - Kent Schwierjohn, Chairman: Schwierjohn is reviewing the drainage ordinance and considering

Stephen Schomaker - Village President

Trustees - Scott Athmer, Cliff 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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how best to address the issue. He will be discussing at the upcoming committee meeting.

Schwierjohn addressed a question from the previous meeting concerning a new home construction between Albers and Germantown, specifically if it falls within the village's Comprehensive Plan. Schwierjohn stated that no action is needed by the village, as the home is outside of the area outlined in the Comprehensive Plan.

Zoning Administrator's Report - Jeannie Brendel, Administrator: Administrator Brendel noted 1 principle and 2 accessory permits were issued in September, with 1 principle and 5 accessory permits issued for the quarter.

POLICE AND DISASTER RESPONSE - Cliff Behrmann, Chairman: Behrmann asked Chief Vielweber to update the Board on the 'See Me Flags' Safety Program. Chief Vielweber explained that neon orange flags will be available at major intersections to alert drivers to pedestrians using the crosswalks. He asked the Board to consider buying supplies to begin the program. The Board discussed the program. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to purchase supplies up to \$150.00 for the 'See Me Flags' Safety Program. McDermid seconded the motion. Vote was 4 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Police Chief's Report - Brian Vielweber, Chief of Police: Chief Vielweber presented his report to the Board. He noted a lot of activity in Albers on the weekend, including numerous events at the park, as reflected in increased payroll hours. Kenow thanked Chief Vielweber for being available at the Mental Health Awareness & Memorial Walk in Memory of Sydney Irizarry, held on Friday, October 01.

Chief Vielweber noted that the speed signs are being recalibrated to better reflect traffic patterns in the Village of Albers. Parts for the mobile speed sign have been ordered and should be arriving soon.

FINANCE - Mike McDermid, Chairman: McDermid updated everyone that he attended the Home Nursery 100th Anniversary at a recent open house with President Schomaker. Home Nursery is a thriving, established business with \$17,000,000 in annual sales and a great asset to our area, and he commended their long-time, important role to our community.

McDermid presented committee reports.

The Board reviewed invoices totaling \$40,748.06.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to pay invoices totaling \$40,748.06. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 4 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

McDermid updated the Board on the recently attending a virtual meeting with SSA #8 stakeholders on Thursday, September 16. He reported that the ambulance service is currently operating in the black with a minimal tax increase for residents on the upcoming assessment, expected to be less than \$1,200.00 for the Village of Albers.

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. Schwierjohn seconded the motion. Vote was 4 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

IMPROVEMENTS & PARK - Scott Athmer, Chairman: Athmer was absent. President Schomaker updated the Board that repairs at the Lehrter/JC Park Stage have been completed, including termite extermination and sidewalk replacement. He also noted updating the privacy walls at the bathrooms are scheduled with Kohrman Brothers Masonry and are scheduled to be completed within the upcoming month.

STREETS & LIGHTING - Jeff Timmermann, Chairman: Timmermann asked the Board to consider

approving a task order with HMG Engineers for engineering plans on the culvert project, restricting drainage on East State Route 161 and East Railroad Street. The Board discussed the project and scope of work.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Timmermann approve the proposed task order with HMG Engineers for engineering plans on the culvert project at East State Route 161 and East Railroad Street. Kenow seconded the motion. President Schomaker voted yea on the motion, to meet quorum requirements for the vote. Vote was 4 – yeas; 1 - abstain; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Timmermann asked the Board to consider purchasing a used 1' backhoe bucket for \$800.00. The Board discussed the purchase.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Timmermann to purchase a used 1' backhoe bucket for \$800.00. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 4 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Timmermann asked President Schomaker to report on the County Road #8 sidewalk extension. President Schomaker updated the Board on his recent conversations with representatives of the Clinton County Highway Department, who agree to tile and fill the ditch between Susan Drive to Court Road on the west side of County Road #8 with the Village being responsible for providing the fill dirt for the project. Attorney Bruckert stated an intergovernmental agreement will be required for the project between the Village and Clinton County Highway Department.

Streets and Lighting Superintendent's Report - Eric Rolves, Superintendent: Superintendent Rolves reported painting the crosswalks at the intersection of Commercial Street and State Route 161 and other high traffic roadways and thanked Chief Vielweber for helping complete the project.

Superintendent Rolves updated the Board that street sweeping is scheduled for Wednesday, October 13.

WATER & SEWER - Kevin Kenow, Chairman: Kenow noted the current contract with Waste Management expires in December. A contract extension proposal has been submitted and will be discussed at the upcoming committee meeting.

Kenow reported the computer and equipment ordered from CDW Computer is in transit.

Kenow noted the hydrant use ordinance is being reviewed by committee and will be presented at an upcoming meeting.

Kenow noted that new sources are being researched for upgrades in modems, as the current 3G modems are being discontinued.

Water & Sewer Superintendent's Report - Chris Horstmann, Superintendent: Superintendent Horstmann reported -6.69% water loss for September, -1.72% water loss for the previous twelve months. He noted flushing hydrants, performed in September, may have increased the water loss.

Superintendent Horstmann noted moving the meter for 206 East Railroad Street and the repair of a small leak at 603 N. Bertha Street.

COMMUNICATIONS: No Communications were presented.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS: President Schomaker asked the Board to consider a donation to the 2021 Clinton County Veteran's Day Celebration in Carlyle. The Board discussed the event and request. A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to donate \$100.00 to the Goldsmith-Terry VFW Post #3523 in Carlyle for the 2021 Clinton County Veteran's Day Celebration in Carlyle, from the Tourism Fund.

Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 4 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

President Schomaker asked the Board to consider a \$100.00 donation to the Metro-East Diaper Bank in support of National Diaper Awareness Week.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to donate \$100.00 to the Metro-East Diaper Bank, from the Tourism Fund. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 4 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

President Schomaker invited everyone to support the Tee'd Off with ALS Golf Scramble, benefiting the Lyle Rakers Charitable Foundation at Governor's Run Golf Course on Saturday, October 16.

President Schomaker invited everyone to a Spaghetti Dinner at American Legion Post #1026 on Thursday, October 14. The dinner is being co-sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council #9768 and American Legion Post #1026, proceeds benefiting both organizations who support numerous local charities and families.

President Schomaker announced Trick-or-Treating in the Village of Albers will be Friday, October 29 from 6p.m.-8p.m. for grade school age children and younger.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: No Executive Session was held.

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

Brenda Morris, Village Clerk