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

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Kent Schwierjohn

Jeff Timmermann

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ALBERS

PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

HELD ON September 09, 2019.

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

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 on August 12, 2019.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to accept the minutes as presented. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 4 – yeas, 2 - abstain, 0 – nays; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Agenda was reviewed. Behrmann asked to add "Chief's Compensation - Discussion / Vote" to Police and Disaster Response Committee.

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

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

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE: Andres & Christina Irizarry; Lauren, Jackson and Leo Langhauser and Shelley Kenow were in attendance to witness the passage of the Mental Health Awareness proclamation. Justin Huelsmann and Emily VonBokel, Central High School students, were in attendance to observe as a class requirement. Dave Wellen, resident, was in attendance to observe.

President Schomaker read Proclamation #09092019 to all present, proclaiming October 04-06, 2019, as Mental Health Awareness Weekend in the Village of Albers.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Schwierjohn to approve Proclamation #09092019, proclaiming October 04-06, 2019, as Mental Health Awareness Weekend in the Village of Albers. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 6 - yeas; 0 - nays; motion carried.

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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COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE AND DISASTER RESPONSE - Dennis Behrmann, Chairman: Behrmann asked the Board to approve a proposed pay rate for Chief Brian Vielweber to \$23 per hour effective August 12, 2019. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Timmermann to approve a payrate for Chief Brian Vielweber to \$23 per hour effective August 12, 2019. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Behrmann asked the Board to consider a \$220.00 donation for the purchase of gift bags to be given to participants of to the upcoming 'DARE to Jeep with Us' ride on Saturday, September 21. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Timmermann to spend \$220.00 for the purchase of gift bags to be given to participants of to the upcoming 'DARE to Jeep with Us' ride on Saturday, September 21, from the Tourism Fund. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Police Chief's Report - Brian Vielweber, Chief of Police: Chief Vielweber updated the Board that the recent vandalism case at Lehrter/JC Park has been cleared and all involved have been found. Police reports will be forwarded to the insurance company for reimbursement of the claim filed to repair damages incurred in the incident.

Chief Vielweber invited everyone to attend the 'DARE to Jeep with Us' ride on Saturday, September 21. The ride starts at Robertson's Auto Body and will stop at area sponsors during the day. The annual event is held to fund the DARE program at Albers Elementary School.

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

McDermid presented the upcoming Tax Levy ordinance for first reading and review, totaling \$81,490.70. McDermid reported that the Village of Albers has not increased taxes in the past nine years.

McDermid presented the invoices for review. Total invoices are \$108,489.34, including \$10,144.00 to Engelmann Contracting for maintenance shed improvements and \$35,950.00 to Rooter's Asphalt for repairs to North Franklin Street. A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to pay the bills submitted in the amount of \$108,489.34. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 6 - yeas; 0 - nays; motion carried.

Treasurer's Report - Cindy Hubert, Treasurer: Treasurer Hubert presented the Treasurer's Report. A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to accept the Treasurer's Report. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – 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 reported the dumpster at the JC Hall is being overused and often unavailable to parties renting the JC Hall. A dumpster with locking bar will be provided by Waste Management to ensure only parties renting the JC Hall will have access.

President Schomaker asked Athmer to follow-up with Ameren Illinois on the status of adding outlets to street light poles at the Lehrter/JC Park stage parking lot.

STREETS & LIGHTING - Jeff Timmermann, Chairman: Timmermann reported that repairs to North Franklin Street are complete and is scheduled to be oiled from Memorial Drive to State Route 161 Thursday, September 12.

President Schomaker presented a quote for tree removal services at 206 N. Franklin Street, the owner of the property has requested Village assistance removing the tree. The Board discussed the matter and agreed the property owner is solely responsible for the tree removal and maintenance.

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

He notified the Board that a spreader will be rented to move the pile of grass clippings that has accumulated from yard waste dumped by residents.

WATER & SEWER - Kevin Kenow, Chairman: Kenow reported that Superintendent Horstmann assessed the ammonia pump and has decided that it is operational, only requiring minimal repairs. A new pump will not need to be purchased.

Kenow reported -5.43% water loss for August, with a -5.35% water loss for the previous twelve months.

Water & Sewer Superintendent's Report - Chris Horstmann, Superintendent: Superintendent Horstmann was absent.

ZONING - Kent Schwierjohn, Chairman: Schwierjohn reported that a Zoning Board of Appeals meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 26 at 6:30p.m. to review the application for a Special Use Permit submitted by AT&T Wireless on East Railroad Street.

Schwierjohn asked the Board to consider Plan Commission recommendations authorizing HMG Engineers to review drainage guidelines. The Board will be discussing the recommendation at upcoming meetings.

Zoning Administrator's Report - Jeannie Brendel, Administrator: Administrator Brendel reported three accessory permits were approved in August, totaling \$375.00

COMMUNICATIONS: President Schomaker reported that Representative Charlie Meier recently contacted him concerning the upcoming State of Illinois budget. Funding for improvements to State Route 161 between Albers and Bartelso have not been approved by the State of Illinois for the upcoming year, repairs will be readdressed next year.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business reported.

NEW BUSINESS: President Schomaker reminded everyone of the Village-wide yard sales on 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. He also invited everyone to the BBQ lunch at Lehrter/JC Park on Saturday.

President Schomaker asked the Board to consider a donation to the Mental Health Awareness Walk in Memory of Sydney Irizarry on Friday, October 04.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to donate \$50 from the Tourism Fund to the Mental Health

Awareness Walk in Memory of Sydney Irizarry. Schwierjohn seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

President Schomaker asked the Board to consider a donation to Tripp's Tribe Golf Scramble to be held Saturday, October 05, 2019.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to donate \$50 from the Tourism Fund to the Tripp's Tribe Golf Scramble. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

President Schomaker asked the Board to consider a donation to the Friends of Troop #268 Golf Scramble to held Saturday, October 12.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Schwierjohn to donate \$50 from the Tourism Fund to the Friends of Troop #268 Golf Scramble. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

President Schomaker reminded everyone of the Clinton County Veteran's Day Celebration in Germantown on Monday, November 11, 2019.

ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY Behrmann to enter Executive Session at 7:27p.m to discuss Personnel. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 - yeas; 0 - nays; motion carried.

Guests were asked to exit the meeting. President Schomaker; Trustees Athmer, Behrmann, Kenow, McDermid, Schwierjohn and Timmermann; Attorneys Clarke and Behme; Clerk Morris and Superintendent Holtmann were in attendance.

EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION: A MOTION WAS MADE BY Timmermann to exit Executive Session at 7:45p.m. McDermid seconded the motion. Vote was 6 - yeas; 0 - nays; motion carried.

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

Brenda Morris, Village Clerk