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

PRESIDENT, Steve Schomaker

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Scott Athmer

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Kevin Kenow

Mike McDermid

Kent Schwierjohn

Jeff Timmermann

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ALBERS PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON March 09, 2020.

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 February 10, 2020, were reviewed.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Behrmann to accept the minutes as presented. Schwierjohn seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas, 0 – nays, 0 - abstain; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Agenda was reviewed. Kenow asked to add update "Waste Service Rates" to "Water & Sewer Service Rates" and "Yard Waste Services" to the Water & Sewer Committee.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to approve the Agenda as amended. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 - yeas, 0 - nays; motion carried.

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

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE: Steve Lehr and Dave Wellen, residents, were in attendance to observe. Dale Holtmann of Scheffel Boyle CPA was in attendance to discuss the Annual Financial Report year ending April 30, 2019.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE AND DISASTER RESPONSE - Dennis Behrmann, Chairman: Behrmann commended Chief Vielweber for professionally operating the Albers Police Department.

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

Chief Vielweber notified the Board that he would be attending a meeting hosted for area police departments discussing camera purchases. He will have more information at the April Board of Trustees meeting.

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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FINANCE - Mike McDermid, Chairman: McDermid presented reports to each Trustee for their respective committees. McDermid noted that the renovation projects being completed at JC Hall will be paid from a Special Projects Fund within the General Fund.

McDermid presented the 2021 Appropriations Ordinance for second reading. He asked all Trustees to review their respective committee budgets for updates to the ordinance and directed Clerk Morris to post the draft ordinance for public review. The final review and vote proposal are scheduled for the April Board of Trustees meeting.

McDermid presented the Identity Theft Program Ordinance and Policy for second reading and directed Clerk Morris to post the draft ordinance for public review.

McDermid presented the Sexual Harassment Ordinance and Policy for first reading. He asked all Trustees and Attorney Behme to review the ordinance and policy, directing Clerk Morris to post the draft ordinance and policy for public review.

McDermid presented the invoices for review. Total invoices are \$49,985.94. A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to pay the bills submitted in the amount of \$49,985.94. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 6 - yeas; 0 - nays; motion carried.

Dale Holtmann of Scheffel-Boyle CPA presented the Annual Financial Report year ending April 30, 2019. He stated that the Village of Albers is financially sound with all accounting practices in compliance.

Treasurer's Report - Cindy Hubert, Treasurer: Treasurer Hubert was absent, McDermid 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 updated the Board on recommendations from WisperNet on installing a 60' pole near the stage for optimal WIFI service at Lehrter/JC Park, he is continuing to work with WisperNet and will update the Board as more information becomes available.

Athmer and President Schomaker thanked all the volunteers for helping with renovations at the JC Hall.

STREETS & LIGHTING - Jeff Timmermann, Chairman: Timmermann asked the Board to consider contacting Ameren Illinois requesting an additional street light to be installed at the school parking lot. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Timmermann to approve the installation of an additional street light at the school parking lot. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Streets and Lighting Superintendent's Report - Dan Holtmann, Superintendent: Superintendent had nothing to report.

President Schomaker asked Superintendent Holtmann to schedule sweeping the school parking lot in preparation of marking the lot.

WATER & SEWER - Kevin Kenow, Chairman: Kenow updated the Board that current water and sewer rates are being reviewed. He will have more information for review at upcoming meetings.

Kenow thanked residents Steve & Brenda Lehr, for their cooperation in addressing the recent issues with tree roots in the sewer lines on Opossum Lane. Kenow will continue working with the Lehr's and getting quotes from contractors in an effort to resolve the issue.

Kenow reported bi-weekly curbside yard waste pick up begins Wednesday, March 18, for the season.

Water & Sewer Superintendent's Report - Chris Horstmann, Superintendent: Superintendent Horstmann reported -4.08% water loss for February, with a -5.18% water loss for the previous twelve months.

ZONING - Kent Schwierjohn, Chairman: Schwierjohn updated the that the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 26, 2020, to discuss a variance request at 205 Wildwood Drive.

Zoning Administrator's Report - Jeannie Brendel, Administrator: Administrator Brendel reported zero (0) permits submitted in February.

COMMUNICATIONS: No communications presented.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business reported.

NEW BUSINESS: President Schomaker invited everyone to attend the Culpepper Merriweather Circus sponsored by the Albers Commercial Club on Friday, April 17, at the Lehrter/JC Park.

President Schomaker noted the Hunter Safety Course being offered at American Legion Post #1026 on April 24-25 was full.

President Schomaker asked the Board to consider approval of Central High School to temporarily erect two 4'x5' signs on State Route 161 and North Commercial Streets advertising sports or other achievements. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Timmermann to approve temporary signage to be displayed acknowledging Central High School achievements. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

President Schomaker asked the Board to consider

EXECUTIVE SESSION: President Schomaker asked the Board to enter Executive Session to discuss Personnel.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to enter Executive Session at 7:35p.m. to discuss Personnel. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

President Schomaker and Clerk Morris with Trustees Athmer, Behrmann, Kenow, McDermid, Schwierjohn and Timmermann were in present for Executive Session. All other officials and guests exited the meeting.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to exit Executive Session at 7:42p.m. McDermid seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Timmermann to approve a contract incentive for Dan Holtmann with a specific amount to be approved later. McDermid seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

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