

# Village of Albers

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*“Providing security and services to improve the quality of life for our residents.”*

PRESIDENT, Steve Schomaker

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Jeff Timmermann

## MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ALBERS

PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

HELD ON July 12, 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 Athmer, Behrmann, Kenow, McDermid and Timmermann were present at roll call. Schwierjohn was absent, his absence was excused.

President Schomaker recognized Travis Becker, Alexander Heimann, Bradley Higgins, Allen Mueth and Jonathon Winkler for their military service. Families of the servicemen were in attendance to receive military recognition signs to be prominently displayed on Commercial Street. Military recognition signs are provided by the Village of Albers and American Legion Post #1026 to all serving our military who call Albers home.

Tamara Farrington, American Legion Post #1026 Commander, with President Schomaker presented the military recognition signs to the families of servicemen being honored. Family members present were Kris Anne Becker, Tim & Cindy Heimann; Ken & Beverly Rogowski, Robert Kuhl; Brenda and Jonathon Winkler; Bill & Gina Higgins and Dondra Mueth.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR SESSION MINUTES: The Board reviewed the minutes from Regular Meeting held on June 14, 2021.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to approve the minutes as presented. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 5 - yeas, 0 - nays; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Agenda was reviewed.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to approve the agenda as amended. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 5 - yeas, 0 - nays; motion carried.

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

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE: Kris Anne Becker, Tim & Cindy Heimann; Ken & Beverly Rogowski, Robert Kuhl; Brenda and Jonathon Winkler; Bill & Gina Higgins and Dondra Mueth were in attendance to

*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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accept military recognition signs for their family members. Dave Wellen, resident, was in attendance to observe.

President Schomaker introduced Mike Kniepman, proposed developer of approximately 10 acres adjacent to the Village of Albers on Court Road and Pat Netemeyer of Netemeyer Engineering, retained by Mr. Kniepman to engineer the property development. Mr. Kniepman noted that 8, one-acre lots are planned to be developed, with no variances to be required. A public hearing for designating the development will be required and will be tentatively scheduled to be held before the August 09, 2021, Board of Trustees meeting. President Schomaker thanked Mr. Kniepman for developing the property and noted the benefit such a subdivision will be to the Village of Albers.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING - Kent Schwierjohn, Chairman: Schwierjohn was absent. President Schomaker reported no updates to the drainage ordinance under review.

Zoning Administrator's Report - Jeannie Brendel, Administrator: Administrator Brendel reported that she will be recording the approved Comprehensive Plan with Clinton County.

Administrator Brendel announced the Clinton County Comprehensive Plan Meeting to be held at the Clinton County Courthouse on Tuesday, July 20 @ 7p.m.

One accessory permit was submitted for June 2021, three were submitted for the quarter.

POLICE AND DISASTER RESPONSE - Cliff Behrmann, Chairman: Behrmann asked Chief Vielweber to update the Board on speed signs. Chief noted that the south radar signs are not properly collecting data and are scheduled for repairs.

Police Chief's Report - Brian Vielweber, Chief of Police: Chief Vielweber asked the Board to consider approving the 10-year contract with Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD). The CAD system is being used by all police and emergency service departments in Clinton County, including the Sheriff's Department. Each department is required to sign an individual contract agreeing to the terms of CAD. Costs for the CAD system are \$4,356.00 for the first year; \$4,357.00 annually for years 2-5; \$3,196.00 per year after the fifth year. The Board discussed the proposal with Chief Vielweber.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to approve 10-year contract with Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), totaling. Behrmann seconded the motion. Vote was 5 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Chief Vielweber thanked the Board for approving the contract and added \$2,178.00, half of the first year fees, is due at the time of contract signing with the additional \$2,178.00 due when the system goes live.

FINANCE - Mike McDermid, Chairman: McDermid presented committee reports.

McDermid presented the invoices to the Board for review, totaling \$44,692.26.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Behrmann to approve payment of invoices totaling \$44,692.26. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 5 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

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. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 5 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

McDermid reviewed certificates of deposit held at FCB Banks. McDermid recommended transferring the following to certificates of deposit: \$150,000.00 from General Fund, \$100,000.00 from Water & Sewer Fund and \$100,000.00 from the Building Fund; the Board discussed the transfers.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to transfer \$150,000.00 from General Fund, \$100,000.00 from Water & Sewer Fund and \$100,000.00 from the Building Fund to certificates of deposit at FCB Banks. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 5 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

McDermid also noted that certificates of deposit currently held at FCB Banks are coming due with no action needed on behalf of the Board to roll-over.

IMPROVEMENTS & PARK - Scott Athmer, Chairman: Athmer noted Chief Vielweber submitted a map of recommended camera locations to Wisper and progress is being made in installing security cameras in Albers.

STREETS & LIGHTING - Jeff Timmermann, Chairman: Timmermann noted improvements to Opossum Lane are being considered with specific information to be discussed at upcoming meetings. He stated that the Village attorney has been asked to draft a plan addressing the Village accepting property on Opossum Lane to improve access and alleviate water drainage issues; recommendations are expected at the August meeting.

Timmermann reported that Engelmann Construction completed the Debra Drive curbing project. The project was \$800.00 more than the approved bid. Timmermann asked the Board to consider approving the additional \$800.00 change order from \$8,122.00 to \$8,922.00. The Board discussed the payment. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Timmermann to approve an additional \$800.00 to the previously approved Debra Drive curbing project. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 5 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Timmermann updated the Board on the retention pond at Park Avenue and Cottonwood Drive, owned by the Village of Albers. Timmermann asked the Board to consider hiring HMC Engineers to review how to maintain the retention pond. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Timmermann hire HMG Engineers to review the disposition of the retention pond at Park Avenue and Cottonwood Drive. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 5 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Streets and Lighting Superintendent's Report - Eric Rolves, Superintendent: Superintendent Rolves had nothing to report.

WATER & SEWER - Kevin Kenow, Chairman: Kenow noted the current contract with Waste Management expires in December. He will be meeting with a representative of Waste Management in the upcoming week and will have updates at upcoming meetings.

Kenow reported no updates are available on the dissolution of the Sanitary Sewer District. Procedures are being verified by the Sanitary Sewer District with attorneys; updates will be available at upcoming meetings.

Kenow reported the computers and equipment ordered from CDW Computers is enroute.

Water & Sewer Superintendent's Report - Chris Horstmann, Superintendent: Superintendent Horstmann reported -25.52 water loss for June, -3.77% water loss for the previous twelve months. Meter readings were estimated for the month of June, Superintendent Horstmann noted that water loss/gains will be closely monitored.

Superintendent Horstmann reported divers from MidCo Diving completed their inspection of the water towers. He noted very little sediment was reported with no major issues discovered.

COMMUNICATIONS: No Communications were presented.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS: President Schomaker asked the Board to send himself, Chief Vielweber and Clerk Morris to the Illinois Municipal League (IML) Conference in Chicago, September 23-25.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Timmermann to send President Schomaker, Chief Vielweber and Clerk Morris to the IML Conference in Chicago, September 23-25. McDermid seconded the motion. Vote was 5 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

President Schomaker invited everyone to Music in the Park every Thursday from 7pm to 9pm at the Lehrter/JC Park stage.

President Schomaker invited everyone to the Albers Hootenanny on Sunday, September 05 at Lehrter/JC Park.

President Schomaker asked the Board to consider improving the 'Welcome to Albers' sign at the intersection of Commercial Street and State Route 161. The Board agreed to discuss improvements at upcoming meetings.

President Schomaker asked the Board to approve a \$100.00 sponsorship to the Clin-Clair Fire Department Golf Scramble.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to donate \$100.00 to the Clin-Clair Fire Department Golf Scramble from the Tourism Fund. Kenow seconded the motion. Vote was 5 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

President Schomaker thanked everyone for supporting this year's Blast-Off Parade & Fireworks! He noted the large crowds and great evening enjoyed by everyone in attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: No Executive Session was held.

ADJOURNMENT: A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to adjourn the meeting. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 5 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

*Brenda Morris, Village Clerk*