

# 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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Kent Schwierjohn

Jeff Timmermann

## MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ALBERS PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON July 11, 2022.

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 Board reviewed the minutes from Regular Meeting held on June 13, 2022.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Agenda was reviewed.

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

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

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE: Dave Wellen, resident, was in attendance to observe.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

STREETS & LIGHTING - Jeff Timmermann, Chairman: Timmermann had nothing to report on the Parkview Manor Detention Pond upgrades.

Timmermann reported the State Route 161/East Railroad Street Culvert project has been approved and will begin when the contractor's schedule allows.

Timmermann updated the Board that the ditch cleaning on East Railroad Street is being addressed by property owner Kyle Laux, owner of Laux HVAC & Sheet Metal. No further action is required from the Village.

Timmermann asked President Schomaker to update the Board on the County Road #8 sidewalk extension

*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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north of Debra Drive to Court Road. President Schomaker reported the inter-agency agreement between the Village of Albers and Clinton County is being reviewed. He also noted the Clinton County Highway Department will be delivering dirt for the project.

Streets and Lighting Superintendent's Report - Eric Rolves, Superintendent: Superintendent Rolves updated the Board that street oiling is being planned for Thursday, September 15.

Superintendent Rolves noted that he will be spraying for mosquitos at Lehrter/JC Park.

WATER & SEWER - Kevin Kenow, Chairman: Kenow updated the Board that our water supplier will be increasing rates in the near future. He stated that current rates, which have not increased since 2016, will be reviewed and increased to better align with current costs.

Kenow presented the list provided by Clin-Clair Fire Department (CCFD) of proposed hydrants to be installed and asked the Board to consider installation of a new hydrant at the west end of Wildwood Drive. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to approve the installation of a new hydrant at the west end of Wildwood Drive. Athmer seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Kenow reported the order for the replacement computer has been canceled due to extremely delayed shipment. He is researching a new vendor for purchasing the computer.

Kenow reported the water tower is in need of cleaning and presented the proposal from National Wash Authority, LLC. for presoaking, cleaning and treating the tower for a total cost of \$7,200.00. He noted National Wash Authority, LLC. was recommended by HMG Engineers. The Board discussed the proposal. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Kenow to proposal from National Wash Authority, LLC. for presoaking, cleaning and treating the water tower at a cost not to exceed \$7,200.00. Behrmann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Water & Sewer Superintendent's Report - Chris Horstmann, Superintendent: Superintendent Horstmann was absent. Kenow reported -14.42% water loss for June, -4.21% water loss for the previous twelve months.

Kenow reported the sewer ponds are being closely monitored as the new micro-bubblers have been installed.

Kenow reported that the small bubbler aerators at the sewer plant are being closely monitored and issues are being addressed. He noted that he is working closely with HMG Engineers and Certop to improve operations.

ZONING - Kent Schwierjohn, Chairman: Schwierjohn notified the Board of the upcoming Planning Commission Meeting on Thursday, July 14, 2022, for review of the Final Plat for Rose-Charles Subdivision.

Schwierjohn reported the drainage ordinance review is ongoing. He noted that the topic will be tabled until information is available.

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

POLICE AND DISASTER RESPONSE - Cliff Behrmann, Chairman: Behrmann asked Chief Vielweber to discuss the proposed ordinance addressing updates to the appointment of police officers. Chief Vielweber presented Ordinance #597-07112022, updating requirements on the appointment of police officers for discussion and vote. The ordinance is in response to updated requirements from the State of Illinois and recommended by Chief Vielweber.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Behrmann to approve Ordinance #597-07112022, Appointment of Officers. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Behrmann asked Chief Vielweber to discuss the proposed ordinance updating street parking. Chief Vielweber presented Ordinance #596-07112022, addressing extended street parking, noting that has been an ongoing safety concern in the Village of Albers. The updated ordinance limits parking of trailers and RV's to no more than 24 hours for loading and unloading on Village streets. Chief Vielweber thanked Attorney Bruckert for his guidance and advice on the ordinance.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Behrmann to approve Ordinance #596-07112022, Amending Parking Restrictions. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Behrmann asked Chief Vielweber to update the Board on purchasing the generator for Village Hall. Chief Vielweber stated that he has been speaking with vendors offering generators and will have updates at the upcoming meeting.

Behrmann asked Kenow to present information on installing the uninterruptable power supply (UPS) at Village Hall. Kenow reported that he will have information available at the upcoming committee meeting.

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

Chief Vielweber updated the Board that the security cameras are scheduled to be installed at the end of July. Cameras to be installed include license plate readers (LPR), as well as cameras at Lehrter/JC Park and at the maintenance shed.

Chief Vielweber reported issued with the mobile speed sign on North Commercial. He stated that the sensor is in need of replacing and the parts are on backorder.

FINANCE - Mike McDermid, Chairman: McDermid presented committee reports to the Trustees.

The Board reviewed invoices totaling \$47,456.22.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY McDermid to pay invoices totaling \$47,456.22. Behrmann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – 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. Behrmann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

IMPROVEMENTS & PARK - Scott Athmer, Chairman: Athmer asked the Board to consider increasing pay for the Park Board president and vice-president to \$300/quarter for both officers.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Athmer to pay the Park Board president and vice-president \$300/quarter for both officers. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

Athmer noted that he is waiting for preliminary improvement plans on JC Hall from Brendel Architects.

President Schomaker thanked Athmer and his family for recently cleaning the sidewalks and driveway at Village Hall.

COMMUNICATIONS: No Communications were presented.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS: President Schomaker asked the Board to consider agreeing to send him and Chief Vielweber to the Illinois Municipal League (IML) Conference in Chicago September 15-17.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Schwierjohn to approve a \$100.00 hole sponsorship for the upcoming CCFD golf scramble to be paid from the Tourism Fund. Timmermann seconded the motion. Vote was 6 – yeas; 0 – nays; motion carried.

President Schomaker thanked everyone for supporting the 2022 Albers Blast-Off Parade & Fireworks held on Sunday, July 03. He noted that the event was a huge success and next year's Albers Blast-Off Parade & Fireworks is being scheduled for Monday, July 03, 2023.

President Schomaker invited everyone to Music in the Park every Thursday this summer from 7p.m.-9p.m. at Lehrter/JC Park stage.

President Schomaker asked the Board to consider a \$100 hole sponsorship to the upcoming Clin-Clair Fire Department (CCFD) golf scramble. He noted the invaluable service of CCFD to our community and our long-standing cooperation with the department.

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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*