

October 6, 2020

The Albion Monthly Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Venske on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at 6:45 P.M. at the Albion Town Hall with the following members present: Bob Venske, Abigail Staff, Pat Tesar, Lawrence Beck, Bruce Hudson and Julie Hanewall, Clerk along with 15 concerned citizens. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bob Venske.

Clerk Hanewall confirmed the meeting notice was posted on the web site and in 4 locations: Town Office, Outside the Town Hall, Oberg's Bar and Piggly Wiggly.

Approval of Meeting Minutes – September 1, 2020 – Pat Tesar made a motion to approve September 1, 2020 minutes, Abigail Staff 2nd. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Public Participation/comment – Don Vruwink, State Representative, running for his third term. He asked the town board what are the priorities for Towns: Road Aid and Broadband. There will be a second round of we are all in grants for small business. They will be able to apply October 19th. He will continue to highlight agriculture.

Update/possible action on CKSD issues – Working on the budget. Working on liners, the ponds are done for the year, doing odds and ends on buildings.

Action on Petition# DCPREZ-2019-11509 for Johnson – Pat Tesar made a motion to deny, Bruce Hudson 2nd. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Action on Petition# DCPREZ-2019-11554 for Johnson – Pat Tesar made a motion to deny, Bruce Hudson 2nd. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Discussion/possible approval of Resolution# 2020-03 – Preliminary Resolution RE: Public Hearing to Consider Discontinuing Portions of Various Town Roads – Staff would like to know what work is to be done on each to bring up to spec. All driveways will be graveled and graded. Staff asked: What is the labor and amount of gravel that will be put on them? We are using tax payer's money to maintain these driveways. Chairman Venske stated we are spending more money than we are getting from the State Aid. Staff is hearing from residents that we are making money on their driveways. The budget is not going to change, she just wants to make sure that the little bit of revenue coming in, we didn't shoot ourselves in the foot. She wants better data from the road crew. Bruce Hudson made a motion to approve the resolution and move forward to public hearing, Lawrence Beck 2nd. 3 ayes Hudson, Beck, Venske. 2 nays (Staff and Tesar) motion carried. The date for the public hearing will be Tuesday, December 1, 2020

Discussion/possible approval for Everstream – Justin Colligde, Senior OSP Engineer for Everstream. Everstream is a business focus fiberoptic

network. The work starts on the south end of Goede Rd heading north to Haugen Rd, heading west, then north west on Albion Rd to County Hwy A. This project is 4 miles, and take 3 to 4 weeks. They will restore ground conditions as they go. They are Certified DOT. They are bonded and will have a contract in the office. Abigail Staff made a motion to approve, Bruce Hudson 2nd. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Update of Stoughton Sr. Center – Yearly stop by – Murl MacKinnon is our case manager. He has office space at the Senior Center. He is a wonderful employee and works with the Towns of Albion and Dunkirk.

Discussion/possible action on liquidation of used playground equipment – Andy will put out for bids, will take bids for 30 days. Abigail Staff made a motion to sell, Bruce Hudson 2nd. 5 ayes, motion carried. Chairman Venske opened the Public Hearing:

Discussion/possible approval of Ordinance# 2020-01 – Road Ordinance – MSA Engineer worked with Andy and wrote up an ordinance. This is for new roads in new sub division. Staff would like a change to – Section 15 Speed limit change. Add Section D – The town board may also lower speed limits as allowed by law. Pat Tesar made a motion to approve with the amendment, Abigail Staff 2nd. 5 ayes, motion carried. Chairman Venske closed the Public Hearing

Road Report – Finished up the chip sealing and the roads are all swept. Trying to get McCauley pavement to come and do the few culvert patches we have left. Replaced road signs, trimmed brush around several. Jetted several culverts with Dave from CKSD. Work with Joe and Gregg on the Road Ordinance. Working with Jamie from MSA and Mark from the DOT on the Aarback Road Bridge. Staying on top of mowing, start mowing ditches. Had issues with e-waste collection they forgot about it. Andy set up a spot at the garage to collect. Advanced came a pick up everything. Brush collection twice since the last meeting, 4 loads in Sept and 8 in Oct. Called Charlie Davis about the well and Hydrant fix over by the ball diamond. Added more mulch to the playground.

Pat Tesar made a motion to pay bills, Lawrence Beck 2nd. 5 ayes, motion carried.

October 19 at 5:00 will be our Budget Workshop meeting.

Bruce Hudson made a motion to adjourn, Lawrence Beck 2nd. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Julie Hanewall, Clerk

