

October 5, 2021

The Albion Monthly Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Venske on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 6:45 P.M. at the Albion Town Hall with the following members present: Bob Venske, Bruce Hudson, Pat Tesar, Lawrence Beck, Abigail Staff and Julie Hanewall, Clerk along with 10 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 7, 2021–Pat Tesar made a motion to approve the September 7, 2021 minutes, Lawrence Beck 2nd, 5 ayes, motion carried.

Board Communication Report – Abigail received a complaint of small parcel next to Creekview Par 3 with a lot of junk dumped.

Public Participation/comment – Deputy Ben Wepher here for any concerns: speeding on Bliven Rd and Fireworks complaints. Will add Bliven to the list for the speed board. Deputy Wepher will also send an email to the traffic team about Albion. Don Vruwink – Commend the Town for working with the Albion Tigers. The Town has a great park, also. Legislatively this year has the least amount of activity because it is an election year for Governor. Problems with water quality in the state, lots of nitrates in the water. Trying to find best practices: cover crops, taking worse lands out of production and planting wild flowers to pollenate. Other issue is fire protection and the traffic in Newville. The Secretary promised some short-term solutions and long-term solutions in the near future. There is a Bill to take away personal property tax for small businesses. Broadband is 9 months behind; it will happen but will take longer and people have to be patient.

Update/possible action on CKSD issues – The budget is done and was put in the paper. The tear in the liner was repaired, now waiting to see if it is still leaking. This is under warranty.

Update/possible action on Bingham Rd Landing - On schedule for closing, then we will start the grant application.

Update/possible action on Access/Driveway Permit and/or Refunds –

Action on DCPREZ-2021-11762 – Legion of Christ, Inc. – Bruce Hudson made a motion accept the recommendation from the Plan Comm and approve, Lawrence Beck 2nd. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Action on Commercial Design Review – Edgerton Storage Units-

Road Report - Replaced the two culverts on Craig Rd. Talked to McCauley to patch them in before winter. Did shouldering on roads we did wedging on. Ordered, picked up and installed roads signs. Sprayed weeds on bridge, guard rails, cemetery and Park. Tree fell on Ramsey Rd, had Adam come, we cut and hauled away. Mowing the park and cemetery as needed. Installed bases for 2 new pieces of equipment in the park, will be here on Monday to install. Added new mulch to the park area. Jeff Wright started on Friday.

Fire District Report – Activity staying busy. Going into budget cycle. We will utilize the CPI+2 formula this year. On the EMS side people are finding better jobs. The paid-on call side of the EMS is drying up. We have hired 4 new career employees for the transfer business and using them for the paid-on call side. The City of Milton has formally voted to stop discussions with City of Janesville, and enter into discussions along with the other townships with the Edgerton Fire Protection District. This will have to come before the member municipalities for approval. This should be around first quarter 2022.

Abigail Staff made a motion to pay bills, Lawrence Beck 2nd. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Bruce Hudson made a motion to adjourn, Abigail Staff 2nd. 5 ayes, motion carried.

Julie Hanewall, Clerk