ALBORN TOWNSHIP

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The Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Tarah Vitek, Chairperson. Present were Chuck Fosness, Jr., Kurt Johnson, and Tarah Vitek, Supervisors; Amanda Ellefson, Clerk; Ronda Bernard, Deputy Clerk; Christine Wolvin, Treasurer; Linsey Larson, Deputy Treasurer; John Klassen, Jason Eliefson, Jim Larson, Jim Pehl, and Jim Olcott.

Chuck made a motion to approve the May 4, 2026 SSD Quarterly Meeting Minutes. Kurt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Kurt made a motion to approve the May 4, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes. Chuck seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Christine read the Treasurer's Report. Chuck made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Kurt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

BILLS

Amanda read the Claims List. Chuck made a motion to pay the bills, including PERA. Kurt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

E-MAILS/CORRESPONDENCE

Homes for Heroes (email)

MAT Town Law Review (email)

Thank You from South Ridge High School Softball

Thank you from South Ridge Area Youth Baseball and Softball

Alborn Dirt Devils seeking donation toward providing helmets to youth at their upcoming training day. Chuck made a motion to donate $500 to Alborn Dirt Devils for youth training day. Kurt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

SSD

Jason presented a report for SSD. In May, the system pumped 126,187 gallons on a 30-day month, which is 4,071 gallons per day.

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Chuck read through the MSA Professional Service Agreement. The Board discussed whether the attorney has read through the updated agreement; Kurt will reach out to the attorney prior to having the Board sign the agreement.

Kurt received an email from St. Louis County in regards to a timber sale that includes the tract of land the Township applied for sewer expansion. Tarah will take the lead on this request, as she has been working with MSA and the County to secure this tract of land.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

COMMUNITY CENTER

There is a hole in the culvert between the Community Center and the Alborn Heritage Apartments. The County will be coming to replace the culvert.

Discussion on expanding the parking lot. Due to the cost, discussion on working on it smaller chunks and expand it over time or double the size of the lot currently. Tarah made a motion to hire Jim Larson to expand the parking lot across the road from the Community Center to its full capacity. Kurt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Jim indicated that meetings with Scott Snickers and Shawn Niehaus are a good idea prior to starting the project. The project would be done in stages throughout the summer.

Jim indicated that there is money for "safe crossings" that the County can use toward crosswalks. Tarah will reach out to find out more about this.

ROAD AND BRIDGES

Kurt indicated that the logger needs to do some work to the road and logging road to increase the area for the trucks to turn on and off Aerie Lake Road. The logger will be taking care of this work, but asked if the Township could help with the costs of a culvert or rolls of fabric for this work. Tarah made a motion to give permission to the logger to improve the road, after Jim ditches and contingent upon providing a Certificate of Liability with the Township. Chuck seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Discussion on changing all Township Roads to 4-ton limit for road restrictions, as it was noted that there are semis or larger vehicles on other roads; previous discussion on changing the road restriction on Berg-Lind Road, but should be posted on all roads to prohibit further damage to Township Roads.

OLD BUSINESS

National Night Out planning.

Discussion on ordinance or resolution for ATV trails and Township Roads, in order to have formal documentation on the previous motion. The Board asked for a resolution to be written for review at the July meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim indicated that the Ride and Roast was well attended and a good event. 261 people signed up. Alborn Dirt Devils, ATV Minnesota, and Trailside in Meadowlands worked together to host the event in our area.

Chuck made a motion to adjourn. Kurt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Ellefson, Clerk

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