

## ALBORN TOWNSHIP

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The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Kurt Johnson, Chairperson. Present at the meeting were Tarah Vitek, Kurt Johnson, and Dale Larson, Supervisors; Amanda Ellefson, Clerk; Ronda Bernard, Deputy Clerk; Christine Wolvin, Treasurer; Linsey Larson, Deputy Treasurer; Shawn Niehaus, Holly Niehaus, Jack Carlson, John Klassen, and John Wolvin.

Dale made a motion to approve the September Regular Meeting Minutes. Kurt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

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

### **CLAIMS**

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

### **E-MAILS/CORRESPONDENCE**

Maple Leaf Lake Association Donations - \$100 toward Community Center and \$100 toward National Night Out.

Dale Larson made a donation of \$150 toward the Playground Fund.

MAT "on the road" trainings information.

### **SSD**

John presented a report for SSD. In September, the system pumped 49,709 gallons on a 28-day month, which is 1,775 gallons per day. On the 6<sup>th</sup>, John cleaned 4 filters that were piling up (9104, 9128, 9162, 9184). On the 13<sup>th</sup>, John noticed an event counter not working properly (9204). He also noted a broken pipe at 9126. John called Eric and they fixed the pipe. Fall maintenance was completed on the 29<sup>th</sup>. A report was provided to the Board at tonight's meeting. No tanks need to be pumped at this time. 4-5 tanks were noted to have grease, which is contributing to the clogged filters. John noted that he will not be at the November meeting, as he will be out of town.

John indicated that Eric will be going over the information gathered at fall maintenance and will have him provide more detailed information to the Board. John mentioned that more was done during this

fall maintenance than in the past. Fall maintenance did show that 2 floats came loose and were fixed. Sludge was checked in multiple areas.

Tarah emailed Chris asking for all of our documents through People Services, which Chris sent Eric documents from 2022, stating that was all he had to offer. Chris seemed reluctant to send the documents and indicated that Paul may be contacting the Township about sharing these records. John indicated there should also be an operating or maintenance manual to share.

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

There is a Joint Powers Meeting scheduled for October 10 at 6:00 pm. It was noted that this is a federal holiday and will be rescheduled.

Jack was in attendance to provide information about the fire department. The Fire Department has 4 new members starting classes. Albarn was not selected for the FEMA Grant. The department will need to look for other sources of funding. Options could include billing from companies for the new turn-out gear or to approach the Townships for funding support. Jack is going to find the cost of the turn-out gear prior to making a plan for purchasing this gear, as it is severely outdated.

The Fire Department secured a new grass rig, that is purchased (not DNR). The current price is \$9000 for the truck, which is under budget, but will also need to be painted.

Discussion on the Relief Association and management of these funds as the non-profit status has lapsed. Shawn has been working with the State Auditor to help the Fire Department to determine if this should stay as an association or back to non-profit status.

## **COMMUNITY CENTER**

Tarah provided information on the playground planning. There were a lot of roadblocks and Tarah has not heard back from the individual that was going to assist in securing donations. The Township is not able to secure donations (not being a non-profit) and the Sno-Devils is reluctant to have the money move through their account. South Ridge Area Youth Baseball recently received non-profit status and could be used as a resource for securing funding. Dale suggested calling the office of Stauber or IRRRB for assistance in how to secure funding for the playground.

## **ROAD AND BRIDGES**

Dale indicated that Rodda felt there should be a culvert where the logging road is on Aerie Lake Road, but is opting to wait on this for now.

Gravel hauling went well and there is about 400 yards left in the pit. Dale is hoping this will be crushed next year.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Dale attended the County Association Meeting at Cotton and provided information from this meeting.

Dale also attended the Legal Training Seminar and provided information from this training to the Board.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tarah made a motion to adjourn. Kurt seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Ellefson, Clerk