

ALBORN TOWNSHIP

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The Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Kurt Johnson, Chairperson. Present were Chuck Fosness,

Kurt Johnson and Tarah Vitek, Supervisors; Amanda Ellefson, Clerk; Ronda Bernard, Deputy Clerk;

Christine Wolvin, Treasurer; Linsey Larson, Deputy Treasurer; John Klassen, Jim Olcott, Tim Johnson, Jim

Pehl, Jason Eliefson, Jeremy Marthaler, Jeff Flynn, Susie Johnson, Chris Rokke, Jim LaBarre (MN DNR),

Korine Finken (MN DNR), Kelly Johnson (SLC Land and Mineral), Jim Larson, Joe Hoerz, Nate Anderson,

Linda Vitek Hills, Merle Hills, John Bennett, Torulf Lind, and David Malban.

Tarah made a motion to approve the March 3, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. Chuck seconded the

motion and it passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Christine read the Treasurer's Report. Tarah made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Chuck

seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

CLAIMS

Amanda read the Claims List. Tarah made a motion to pay the bills, including PERA. Kurt seconded the

motion. Discussion on donations to South Ridge School Sports Teams (increase from \$300 to \$500). The

motion passed unanimously to pay the bills, including PERA.

Chuck addressed the Board regarding the donations toward sports teams, increasing the donations from

\$300 to \$500. Chuck made a motion to increase the donations to the South Ridge sports teams (softball, baseball, basketball, football, and trap team) from \$300 to \$500. Tarah seconded the motion

and it passed unanimously.

Tarah made a motion to donate \$4000 to Meadowlands Ambulance Service. Chuck seconded the

motion and it passed unanimously.

Tarah made a motion to donate \$7000 to South Ridge All Night Grad Party. Chuck seconded the motion

and it passed unanimously.

Chuck made a motion to donate \$750 to Spruce Hill Cemetery. Tarah seconded the motion and it

passed unanimously.

Tarah made a motion to donate \$500 to Tester Niemi Post 562. Kurt seconded the motion and it passed

unanimously.

Chuck made a motion to donate \$500 to South Ridge PTSO. Tarah seconded the motion and it passed

unanimously.

Tarah made a motion to donate \$1000 to South Ridge Area Youth Baseball. Chuck seconded the motion

and it passed unanimously.

Tarah made a motion to donate \$300 to South Ridge Community Education. Chuck seconded the

motion and it passed unanimously.

E-MAILS/CORRESPONDENCE

Lake County Operation Round-Up awarded Alborn Township \$5000 toward the Community Playground.

Couri & Ruppe Township Legal Seminar

Carr's Tree Service

SLCAT February Meeting Minutes

SSD

Jason presented a report for SSD. In March, the system pumped 69,643 gallons on a 31-day month,

which is 2,247 gallons per day.

Jason indicated he has two pumps to pull (possibly froze).

FIRE DEPARTMENT

John indicated that the gas sensors need to be replaced.

Kurt made a motion to purchase an additional set of gas sensors. Chuck seconded the motion and it

passed unanimously.

COMMUNITY CENTER

There are updated bleachers for the baseball field.

Kurt made a motion to donate the old bleachers to Alborn Tavern. Tarah seconded the motion and it

passed unanimously.

ROAD AND BRIDGES

SLC provided a Bridge Inspection Report for the Board to review.

Kurt made a motion to order 5 additional road restriction signs. Chuck seconded the motion and it

passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Jim Olcott, President of Alborn Dirt Devils, was in attendance to discuss speed limit signage and caution

signs for Aerie Lake Road. Jim proposed brown signs be posted on Aerie Lake Road for proposed speed

limit of 20 mph with language stating "increased speeds could result in road closure to ATV's".

Jim also indicated that the ATV Club will be discussing assisting the Township in road maintenance

(repairs and calcium chloride), in the event that the trail goes through. Jim provided information of

future trail development to connect to other trail systems in the area. Discussion on placement of the

signs.

Chuck made a motion to install the signs as discussed (8 signs). Kurt seconded the motion and it passed

unanimously.

Discussion on posting speed limit signs on Aerie Lake Road. The Board will table this decision to a

further meeting in order to gain more information.

Jim indicated that the ATV Club has a liability policy for the trail system.

The DNR (Parks and Trails) was in attendance to discuss the Alborn Loop. Korine Finken provided a

summary of the trail development and timeline of submission to the DNR based on the 7 step process

flowchart. Due to the motion submitted to the DNR from Alborn Township in May 2024 (opposition to

the ATV trail on Aerie Lake Road), public comment did not occur, as the DNR does not want to go against

a local government. Discussion on public comment to gain information for and against the trail development.

Chuck made a motion to rescind the motion made May 6, 2024 to oppose the trail development. No

second was made. Motion denied.

NEW BUSINESS

Kurt made a motion to hold the Reorganizational Meeting April 17, 2025 at 6:30 pm. Chuck seconded

the motion and it passed unanimously.

Girl Scouts are inquiring into using the Community Center for meetings next year. Mandi indicated that

they need to communicate a schedule to reserve the space.

Chuck made a motion to accept Resolution 04072025-D. Tarah seconded the motion and it passed

unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tarah made a motion to adjourn. Chuck seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Meeting

adjourned at 8:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Ellefson, Clerk