

Albion Township
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Tuesday January 21, 2025

Meeting: The meeting was called to order at 7pm. Present Bob Neumann Chair, Chad Walhowe Vice Chair, John Uecker Supervisor, Jami Berg Treasurer, Debbie Uecker Clerk, Gage Gutzmann Road Maintenance and 3 residents.

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited.

Meeting Minutes: A motion to accept the December 17, 2024, Monthly Meeting Minutes was made by John Uecker, 2nd by Chad Walhowe and carried 3-0.

Treasurers Report: The ending balance for December is \$321,785.86, subtract the outstanding checks we have an actual balance of \$301,096.57 with deposit from special assessments & filling fees. A motion to accept the Treasurers' report was made by John Uecker, 2nd by Chad Walhowe and carried 3-0.

Maintenance Update:

Did snowplowing, spread granite chips, updated extinguishers, picked up garbage, trimmed trees, loader hydraulics went out, back heater in shop went out and Reich's installed a new motor and will need a new pressure switch in furnace.

12th Street Culvert the township will need to pay for the culvert and Wright County will trench in.

Next Month: snowplow, trim trees, work on dust control and gravel maps.

Tony Potter of 3500 Ingram Ave NW was present to discuss snowplowing on Ingram Ave cul-de-sacs and lack of road maintenance. Wants to know why the cul-de-sacs were not plowed with the last snow event. He had called Road Maintenance Supervisor Uecker, and it was not resolved. About 5 years ago we never had issues with the maintenance and now we do. Iresfeld and 34th street is complete wash boards. Gage will do better with clearing the cul-de-sacs and the road will need to be graveled in the spring. With dust control the roads graded less.

Old Business:

1) Clerk Debbie Uecker will apply for the DNR grant of 25% of the total bills.

2) Bob Neumann received the following for recycling quotes:

Republic will be \$7.49 per customer per month, with a 5% yearly increase.

West Central will be \$5.80 per customer per month, with an increase based on the consumer price index capped at 5%.

Waste Management will be \$6.46 per customer per month for 2025, \$6.78 per customer per month & \$7.12 per customer per month.

Mumford Sanitation will be \$2.75 per customer per month.

The board will have an open discussion at the Township Annual Meeting on March 11th before a decision is made. Albion currently has 497 households.

New Business:

1) A motion was made by John Uecker, 2nd by Chad Walhowe to approve the liquor license for Albion Ridges golf course and carried 3-0.

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2) T818 road recording was rejected for the legal description. After discussion, a motion was made by Bob Neumann, 2nd by Chad Walhowe to work with Bogart and Peterson to survey and create a legal description to finalize the vacation of T818 to be recorded and carried 3-0.

3) A motion was made by John Uecker, 2nd by Chad Walhowe to appoint the 2025 Election Judge list and carried 3-0.

4) A motion was made by John Uecker, 2nd by Chad Walhowe to appoint the 2025 Election Judge list as Albion Township Ballot Board for the Township Election and carried 3-0.

5) Dustin Reich discussed Cardinal Rising on behalf of the failed referendums for Annandale school District. The Town Board felt instead of them coming to a future meeting a better use would be for the group to hold a Town Hall meeting for the Albion Township taxpayers in the Annandale school district if the taxpayers wish to attend.

6) John Uecker discussed a trade of the 2014 CAT 924K Loader for a new 2025 926M Loader. A new loader will be around \$200K, with a trade in of approximately \$90,200 for a total purchase price of \$110K. The board will invite Dave Carothers to the February Town Board Meeting to discuss.

Upcoming Events:

February 18, 2025, Monthly Meeting 7pm

Motion to approve payroll/claims check numbers #12297 - #12318, EFT 271, 272 & 273 totaling \$31,815.37 was made by Bob Neumann, 2nd by John Uecker and carried 2-0.

There being no other business to be brought before the Town Board, the monthly meeting was adjourned by Bob Neumann at 8:45 p.m.

Prepared by: _____ Date _____
Debbie Uecker, Clerk