

Albany Township–Monthly Meeting–August 27, 2012

The regular monthly township meeting was called to order by Chair Tim Nierenhausen on August 27, 2012, 7:35 P.M. At the Albany City Council Chambers. Supervisors Tim Nierenhausen, Mary Rosen and Rosanne Lehnen were present. Also present, Diane Noll, Clerk .

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

2. The agenda; A motion to accept the agenda was made by Supervisor Lehnen, seconded by Supervisor Rosen , motion carried unanimously.

3. Minutes The minutes from July 23, 2012meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve minutes as reviewed was made by Supervisor Rosen, seconded by Supervisor Lehnen, motion carried, unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report The Treasurer's report was reviewed; total investments as of today are \$302,121.66 with a checkbook balance of \$265,760.42 This month deposits were \$494.41 claims were \$43,306.72 and payroll is \$1,130.55. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Supervisor Lehnen , seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried, unanimously.

A nine month certificate at Credit Union matures on 08/25/12 with a balance of \$52,380.61; the original balance was \$51,953.94. A motion to have the certificate continue at the Credit Union was made by Supervisor Rosen, seconded by Supervisor Lehnen, motion carried unanimously.

The six month certificate at Stearns Bank matures on 09/27/12 balance not available, current \$54,430.80.

A decision was made to list all the claims in the body of the minutes.

5. Approve Claims 7996 to 8015 plus electronic transfer of 082701

A motion to approve claims 7996 to 8015 plus electronic transfer of 082701 was made by Supervisor Rosen, seconded by Supervisor Lehnen , motion carried unanimously.

Payroll Claim numbers 7996 to 8001= \$1,130.55

8002	Albany Telephone	\$30.79
8003	Astech	\$16,192.00
8004	Bueckers Recycling	\$145.00
8005	Kotzer Exc.	\$21,735.00
8006	Star Publication	\$26.00
8007	Sunny Brook	\$3,900.00
8008	Forster Exc.	\$170.00
8009	Sheela Arceneau	\$139.84
8010	Elizabeth Berckes	\$139.84
8011	Georgine Andersen	\$139.84
8012	MaryAnn Groetsch	\$164.84
8013	Diann Laing	\$112.50
8014	John Laing	\$139.84
082701	Pera	\$131.39

6. Guests–None

7. Road Reports–Supervisor Nierenhausen

a. Review of Roads

All roads were not toured this month.

Supervisor Nierenhausen met with Contractor Dave Gerads to check on problem areas.

b. St. Anna Drive-(20218 St. Anna Drive) corner, the fiber optic company that laid the cable cleaned out this area and repaired the washout.

St. Anna Drive-(East from 20218) area will need to be cleaned out. To solve the problem, a culvert may be needed under the approach, but this may cause a washout on the west side.

c. 225 Ave culvert (on Joe Schiffler property) culvert needs to be cleaned out.

g. 360 Street -area east of 245 Avenue, washout by Ditch 15. Repair will need to be done to include 150 feet on both sides of the soft spot for a total of 300 feet. School will need to be contacted when construction begins.

Dave Gerads will give us an estimate on the three jobs listed.

d. 330 Street boring-

ITT's report states this road is equivalent to a 9 ton road. Which will allow us to post at nine(9) ton. A sign will be place at the intersection of Cty Rd 156 stating - *Weight Restriction Ahead.* Starting at the Achman pit going west, 330 Street will be posted at with *Weight Limit 7 tons.-except for spring restrictions of 5 tons*

Chair Nierenhausen is requesting we order 10 weight restricted signs that state the following.

Weight Limit (9 or 7) tons except during spring weight restrictions of 5 ton.

A motion to approve ordering the signs was made , by Supervisor Lehnen, seconded by Supervisor Rosen. motion carried unanimously.

Other signs in the township needing repair

245 Avenue- Stop Ahead sign

360 Street-Stop sign needs straightening

e . 330 Street Seal Coating

Job is completed

f. 239 Ave - Pallets in ditch. Supervisor Rosen reports that Ryan Pratt states the tar chunks are still in the ditch and he located rebar mixed in the crushed cement used to repair this road.Chair Nierenhausen requested Mr. Pratt call him and they can tour the area together.

Crack Sealing-not sure if this has been completed.

Road Graveling-Kotzer Excavating will be crushing this week and will start the graveling.

8. Weed Report -Supervisor Lehnen

The township received two following two quotes for weed spraying.

Duane Holmgren \$3,545.70

Paynesville Co-op \$4,000

These quotes are about doubled from last year. Supervisor Lehnen will contact Mr. Holmgren for clarification. We also need to know if this is the correct product for the knapweed. The spraying will need to be completed in September.

A motion to have Duane Holmgren complete the spraying in September, with the cost not to exceed \$4,000 was made by Chair Nierenhausen, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried unanimously.

A motion to have a notice in the paper regarding "no spray" area , with the deadline for contacting the township to be September 12, was made by Chair Nierenhausen, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Lehnen has contacted the residents in the south section of the township, that have weed violations. They have been advised to have spraying done in September.

9. Planning Commission–Supervisor Rosen

a. Meeting Summary–The Planning Commission is continuing to work on the Zoning Ordinance. Chapter 7 is almost completed; they plan to complete 7 and 8 in September.

b. Building permits

Jim Bredeck, 20604 Co Rd 154, requested permit for a pole shed

Mike Klemmer–36446 County Rd 10, is building a new house and is in need of a 911 sign. Because this is a County Road, does the county provide the sign? We will check into this.

Joe Christian–33001 Co Rd 10, requested an approval signature for improving his feed lots. This is a County Permit.

10. Old Business–None

11. New Business–None

12. Officer Reports

Clerk Noll,–Primary Election report. 21 residents voted, there were no incidents.

Report on August 22, District 5 meeting. A legal update was given by MAT attorney Kent Sulem; we are no longer mandated to have all signs replaced by 2013, they can be replaced as needed. Street sign replacement date had been eliminated. Snow plows are no longer affected by the road weight limits, even when not plowing. Annual Conference will be held in St. Cloud from November 15–17.

Supervisor Rosen, had resident complaints on the grading. Paul Luethmers ; because of the gravel being graded into his ditch, he is placing it back on the road with his skid loader. Sunnybrook's contract will expire in spring of 2013, items will need to be addressed.

13. Upcoming Events

September 11, Planning Commission

September 24, Monthly Meeting

14. Public Open Forum

John Kotzer, has concerns about us repairing roads in September, school is in session and buses need the roads. The township needs to have their road work done earlier, especially the graveling and dust suppressant.

15. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before this meeting Supervisor Lehnen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane E Noll

Diane Noll, Township Clerk

Approved minutes signed.

Tim Nierenhausen

Township Chair

09/24/12

Date