

Albany Township–Monthly Meeting–September 23, 2013

The regular monthly township meeting was called to order by Chair Mary Rosen on September 23, 2013, 7:30 P.M. at the Albany City Council Chambers. Supervisors, Mary Rosen, and Rosanne Lehnen were present; Absent, Tim Nierenhausen. Also present, Diane Noll, Clerk .

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

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

3. Minutes The minutes from August 29, 2013 meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the 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 \$304,071.68 with a checkbook balance of \$205,850.44 This month deposits were \$1,499.48 claims were \$23,368.33 and payroll is \$1,783.59. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Supervisor Lehnen, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried, unanimously.

5.Approve Claims

A motion to approve claims 8216 to 8230 plus electronic transfer of 21313 was made by Supervisor Lehnen, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried, unanimously.

Payroll

8216 to 8222- \$1,783.59

8223	Albany Phone	\$30.92	8224	Jerry Forster	\$250.00
8225	Herdering	\$760.54	8226	Duane Holmgren	\$2,792.40
8227	SunnyBrook	\$2,826.25	8228	MATTI	\$1,434.00
8229	Star Pub.	\$53.60	8230	Kotzer	\$15,018.08
21313	PERA	\$202.54			

Total Claims \$23,368.33

Total for month \$25,151.92

6. Guests–None

7. Open Forum

Chris Kotzer from Kotzer Excavating has been contracted to remove the brush from the right-of-ways. He requested we mark the trees we would like removed. If the trees are questionable and close to private property, he will not remove them.

Contact will need to be made with Harvey Beutz, 19654 County Road 154 to discuss the removal of a tree on 205 Avenue that is in the right-of-way on his property.

Leo Gerads was asked by Doug Pelka, 20958 St Anna Dr, if the culvert could be replaced at the end of his driveway.

8. Road Reports–Supervisor Rosen

a. Road Reports

Orchard Road–trees in right of way, also stumps in the ditch

239 Avenue–stump in road

320 Street north side–tree in right of way

360 Street – tree in corner of 248 Avenue

Pioneer View Road–garbage in ditch – Kotzer will pick up

350 Street–culvert replaced, need to have more granite on area, it has again settled

239 Ave –curve sign needs to be straightened

St Anna Drive –Curve sign is all shot up

360 Street–needs grading

253 Avenue– dead end signs missing, need to be ordered and placed

A motion to purchase a dead end sign for 253 Avenue, (if we do not have one in inventory) was made by Supervisor Lehnen, Seconded by Supervisor Rosen, Motion carried, unanimously.

b. 360 Street Construction

Received Permit from SRWD. Gravel was placed on September 18, Sunnybrook graded on 19; Gravel is being tested by ITT.

c. 350 Street Construction

Need to have crushed granite placed on the road, it is settling

d. Brush Clearing for St Anna Drive

Kotzer Excavating worked on clearing brush today, was given a list and will continue tomorrow.

e. Crack Sealing

Contacted today, unknown when it will be completed.

f. St. Anna Drive

It is scheduled to be re–graveled in 2014. Road needs to be rebuilt. Discussion was held on if we should hire an engineer to look at the road to have it rebuilt. A motion to obtain an engineer to review St. Anna Drive to have it rebuilt was made by Supervisor Lehnen, Seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried.

Contact will be made with Shane Nelson from Hakanson–Anderson Engineering to have him review the road.

g. 255 Avenue Gravel

Was completed, Herdering billed us for it.

h. Cutting or Right-of-ways

Was started on September 16 and finished on September 18. Schmidt z mowing services did the cutting–was a great job.

9. Weed Reports–Supervisor Lehnen

No further report for the year.

10. Planning Commission

a. Monthly report

–Comprehensive Plan was reviewed, updates were sent to Carolyn Braun for her to complete the plan and return to us for review.

–Roger and Nancy Elfering, 32374 Co. Rd 10, Albany, MN, were present requesting a Variance for a mobile home that is less than ordinance requires. After review it was noted that the township adopted the following from the County Ordinance.

Section 6.55 Temporary Single Family Residential Dwelling Unit

6.55.1 Performance Standards for a Temporary Single Family Residential Dwelling Unit Accessory to an Agricultural Operation.

G. Any manufactured home to be used as a temporary single family residential dwelling unit shall be no less than fourteen (14) feet in width and shall bear a Seal of Compliance issued by the State of MN.

This will allow Mr. Elfering to erect the 70 feet by 14 feet wide mobile home. It was also noted all of the

