

Albany Township–Monthly Meeting–March 27, 2014

The regular monthly township meeting was called to order by Chair Mary Rosen on March 27, 2014 ,7:30 P.M. at the Albany City Council Chambers. Supervisors, Mary Rosen and Rosanne Lehn. Tim Nierenhausen arrived at 7.45. Also present, Diane Noll, Clerk.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

The agenda; A motion to accept the agenda as reviewed was made by Supervisor Rosen, seconded by Supervisor Lehn, motion carried unanimously.

Minutes The minutes from February 24, March 19 and the Annual meeting on March 11 were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes as reviewed was made by Supervisor Lehn, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried, unanimously. Annual meeting minutes were reviewed.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report for February was reviewed; Investments–\$305,061.29; Checkbook balance–\$290,575.47 ; Deposits–\$21,603.54 .Claims–\$23,679.03; Payroll–\$1,011.25. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Supervisor Lehn, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried, unanimously.

Approve Claims

A motion to approve claims 8313 to 8328 plus electronic transfers of 21404 was made by Supervisor Lehn, seconded by Supervisor Nierenhausen, motion carried, unanimously.

Payroll Claims

8313 to 8315 \$1,011.25

Claims

8317 Alb Phone	\$31.10	8318 Dave Gerads	\$1,487.50
8319 Sheela Arceneau	\$109.25	8320 MaryAnn Groetsch	\$90.63
8321 Diann Laing	\$90.63	8322 Jerry Forster	\$60.00
8323 Herdering Inc	\$2,200.00	8324 The Neon Guy	\$340.00
8325 Schlenner Wenner	\$5,980.00	8326 Star Publications	\$103.50
8327 Sunny Brook	\$13,000.00	21404 PERA	\$138.42

Total Claims \$23,679.03 Total Payroll and Claims \$24,690.28

Guests–None

Open Forum–None

Planning Commission

- a. No meeting held in March
- b. No building permits issued

Road Reports

- a Road Report–Mary Rosen

375 Street–had Custom Waist blow snow for a wind block to prevent further drifting

255 Avenue–dead end sign is pushed back needs to be straightened

239 Avenue–dip in road going over culvert.

253 Ave/334 Street –Street sign in ditch..

February 27–Leo Kerfeld, 36002 248 Ave, and Josh Altendahl 36416 245 Ave,reported their mail boxes were damaged by SunnyBrook. This is the second time this has happened.

Kerfeld also noted the damage done to his alfalfa field because of the snow clearing. The snow gets blown into the right-of-way, his field has extended into this area.

March 5–Excel Energy requested a road weight restriction exemption to allow Excel to travel on the roads to replace the power poles on St. Anna Drive. They were advised to contact Stearns County.

b. Opening of Gravel bids

5,000 yards of gravel per advertisement

Kotzer Excavating –\$9.80 per cubic yard for a total of \$49,000

WM Scepaniak– \$9.38 per cubic yard for a total of \$46,900

A motion for Wm Scepaniak to supply approximately 5,000 yards of gravel for the North–east quarter of Albany Township was made by Supervisor Nierenhasen, seconded by Supervisor Lehnen, motion carried. A contract will be written and signed prior to graveling being done.

Old Business–None

New Business–

Review of items approved at the annual meeting:

a. Community Education– \$1,000

A motion to approve giving Community Education \$1,000 was made by Supervisor Nierenhausen, seconded by Supervisor Lehnen, motion carried.

b. Fire Departments

A motion to approve payment of the Albany and Freeport Fire Departments was made by Supervisor Nierenhausen, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried.

c. Room Rental to City of Albany–\$700

A motion to approve sending the City of Albany \$700 for the rental of the Council Chambers for our meetings was made by Supervisor Nierenhausen, seconded by Supervisor Lehnen, motion carried

Officer Reports

Supervisor Nierenhausen attended the Short Course in St. Cloud. Most of the information was centered on roads. Information on Magnesium chloride and calcium chloride was given. The differences between the two were discussed. Mag chloride will perform the same and is less expensive. The mix we are getting now from Tri–City is working, they no longer use Mag. Chloride. We will need to research to find out who handles this.

Our gravel mix complies with standards.

Lehnen/Rosen/Noll attended the meeting on County Roads–was an overview of the road conditions at this time. No definite plans were discussed.

Upcoming Events

April 7, 7 P.M.–Board of Appeal

April 8, 7:30 P.M.–Planning Commission

April 12, 9 A.M.–Road Tour

