

Albany Township-Monthly Meeting-September 26, 2016

The regular monthly township meeting was called to order by Chair Tim Nierenhausen, on September 26, 2016, 7:30 P.M. At the Albany City Council Chambers. Supervisors Tim Nierenhausen, Loren Pelzer, and Mary Rosen, were present; also present, Diane Noll, Clerk.

THE PLEDGE of allegiance was recited.

AGENDA APPROVAL A motion to accept the agenda was made by Supervisor Rosen, seconded by Supervisor Pelzer, motion carried, unanimously.

MINUTES-The minutes from the August 22, 2016, monthly meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Supervisor Pelzer, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT – The Treasurer's report for September was reviewed: Investments-\$309,368.89 Checkbook Balance-\$205,613.81; Receipts-\$1,325.29; Claims \$9,330.48 Payroll-\$1,595.85 A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Supervisor Pelzer seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried, unanimously.

Public Funds Certificate at Stearns Bank will mature on September 27, 2016, Value \$55,128.43. New maturity date would be March 27, 2017. A motion to roll over for an additional 6 months was made by Supervisor Pelzer, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried.

APPROVE CLAIMS

Payroll 8805-8811 Total \$1,595.85

8812	Albany Phone	\$32.76	8813	Dave Gerads Construction	\$1,418.50
8814	M/R Signs	\$54.96	8815	MATIT	\$1,434.00
8816	Sunnybrook	\$6,205.00	201612	PERA	\$185.26

Claims 8812-8816 and 201612 total \$9,330.48 Total Claims and Payroll, \$10,926.33

A motion to approve above claims was made by Supervisor Rosen, seconded by Supervisor Pelzer, motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CORRESPONDENCE

Monthly correspondence was presented to the board.

A motion that members were advised of the mail we received and to dispose of the junk mail was made by Supervisor Rosen, seconded by Supervisor Pelzer, motion carried unanimously.

GUESTS

Mike Gondringer 20185 Quaker Road, Albany MN

LeRoy Gondringer, Avon MN, Avon Township Supervisor

Michael Gondringer is investigating building a chicken barn on his property. He is working with Golden Plump, and in order for the process to continue, they will need to haul on a 9 ton road. At this time Quaker Road is posted as a 7 ton road. With the chicken barn, they will be hauling approximately 21 loaded trucks every 8 weeks. They are requesting a letter allowing to haul 9 ton loads on this road.

LeRoy Gondringer remembers this road being built as a 9 ton road. The Avon section of Quaker Road is

a 9 ton road. Could the board do a contingency motion?

The documents from WSB when this road was built were reviewed. It is not clear if it was built as a 7 or 9 ton road. Supervisor Nierenhausen is requesting more time to review the information and to contact WSB about the road weight limit.

A motion to have Supervisor Nierenhausen review the road specifications and to contact WSB. If it meets the 9 ton regulations, we will go ahead and issue a letter allowing Mr. Gondringer to haul on this road. Motion was made by Supervisor Pelzer, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried.

OPEN FORUM-None

ROAD REPORT

Road Update-Supervisor Nierenhausen

Because of the heavy rains, our roads are not in the best of conditions.

Quaker Road-hole in bottom of culvert and tar is dropping in the hole, another whole on the edge, this will need to be checked. Will need to be filled, it is too wet to crawl in at this time.

360 Street-culvert East of 230 Avenue is plugged

Roger Massman, 22906 360 Street, drain tile is not working right, also in this area

365 St-will be worked on by Dave Gerads as soon as it dries up.

35793 230 Avenue-Water is not draining. This parcel is located across from the City of Albany Wast Water Treatment Plant. The city ditch will need to be cleaned for the water to move . City of Albany, Clerk has been made aware of the problem.

255 Avenue-culvert was cleaned.

Soil borings-ITT will be working on the borings. Kotzer Excavating will forward his information to ITT.

Leo Gerads (Sunnybrook Ent.) reports he has received calls from Christine Traeger, 20134 St. Anna Drive, stating that four wheelers are ripping up St Anna Drive.

MEADOWVIEW DRIVE-

Supervisor Nierenhausen will be meeting with Hardrives General Manager on Friday, September 30, to continue discussion on the driveway issue.

325 STREET

Information was received from the Water Engineer. They are suggesting we move it out of the right-of-way. Supervisor Nierenhausen will talk to the County about what needs to be done.

WEED REPORT

Supervisor Pelzer

Holmgren was contacted to do the spraying. In mid August Supervisor Pelzer again contacted him and

he was unable to do the job. Contact was made with Centra Sota in St. Martin to do the spraying. They completed the spraying in mid August. We have received their license and insurance paperwork.

Matt Schmitz will be cutting the roads this week and early next week.

We will contact him to have a contract with him for 2017.

We will need to get the shouldering done spring 2017 to have the dirt moved out of the ditches.

Supervisor Pelzer is suggesting we cut three times a year, spray once.

PLANNING COMMISSION

No Planning Commission meeting for September.

Building permits

John Christen, 32215 Co Road 10, Grain Bin

Bruce and Debra Hinnenkamp, 36784 251 Ave, shed to store hay

Matt Abraham, 21566 Northride Circle, Storage Building

Nicholas Schiffler, 33294 Cty Road 156, 911 permit

Gerald Fleischhacker, 33568 253 Ave, Machine Shed

OLD BUSINESS-None

The fire proof file cabinet has been delivered to Albany City Hall, prior to use, it will need to be re-keyed.

NEW BUSINESS

Centra Sota, 21825 Cty Road 54-building in disrepair

The side of their storage building that is next to the Wobegon Trail is in disrepair and has a blue tarp over it. Supervisor Rosen will contact them to repair or demolish the building.

OFFICER REPORTS -None

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 11-Planning Commission

October 24-Monthly Meeting

October 27-Town Officers Assn meeting

A motion to approve board members to attend the county meeting by Supervisor Rosen, seconded by Supervisor Nierenhausen, motion carried

November 8- General Election

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane E Noll

Diane E Noll Clerk/Treasurer

Approved Minutes signed: *Tim Nierenhausen* Date: October 24, 2016

Township Board Chair