

**Albany Township
Monthly Meeting
Monday January 27, 2020 7:30 P.M.**

The regular monthly Albany Township meeting was called to order by Chair Tim Nierenhausen, on January 27, 2020, 7:30 P.M at the Albany City Council Chambers. Supervisors Tim Nierenhausen, Mary Rosen, and John Greer were present, also present, Diane Noll, Clerk.

THE PLEDGE of allegiance was recited.

ITEMS FOR CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda; Minutes from December 23, 2019; January Treasurer's report
Investments-\$316,672.12; Checkbook Balance-\$319,624.57; Receipts-\$11,193.91.

PAYROLL AND CLAIMS

9414-9418	December Payroll	\$1,484.89			
9419	Forster, Jerry	\$67.86	9429	Fischer, Judy	\$41.95
9420	MATIT	\$412.00	9430	Berckes, Elizabeth	\$41.95
9421	MN Computer System	\$76.69	9431	Andersen, Georgine	\$41.95
9422	Nierenhausen, Tim	\$146.74	9432	Groetsch, MaryAnn	\$21.25
9423	Noll, Diane	\$286.39	9433	Arceneau, Sheela	\$41.95
9424	Star Publication	\$70.69	2020001	PERA	\$64.00
9425	Stearns County Recorder	\$138.00	2020002	IRS	\$1192.53
9426	Sunny Brook Enterprise	\$7,535.00	2020003	MN Dept of Rev	\$331.11
9427	Stearns Townships	\$1,113.60		Total Claims	\$11,665.88
9428	Meier Diane	\$41.95		Total Claims + Payroll	\$13,150.77

ACTION:A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Supervisor Rosen, seconded by Supervisor Greer, motion carried, unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CORRESPONDENCE

ACTION: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 Greer, motion carried, unanimously.

GUESTS

OPEN FORUM

PLANNING COMMISSION

A. Monthly Report-Supervisor Rosen

IUP/CUP permit application and spread sheet explaining the steps for an IUP/CUP, were approved.

Roger Elfering-32374 County Road 10, Albany -Administrative Split

Parcel number: 01.00302.0000 Section 31, Twp 125 Range 031, Acres +/- 90.46

Parcel number : 01.00308.0000 Section 31, Twp 125, Range 031 Acres +/- 58.87

Selling the farm to family members.

Split to the following:

- Tract A, Acres +/- 40 acres with easement to Tract C
- Tract B, Acres +/-66.4 acres includes existing buildings
- Tract C, Acres +/- 40 acres

Planning Commission recommends to approve the Administrative Split.

ACTION: A motion to approve the Administrative Split was made by Supervisor Rosen, second by Supervisor Greer , motion carried unanimously.

John and Linda Kurtz, 20835 Northwind Road, Avon -Administrative Split

1. Parcel number: 01.00332.0000, Section 35, Twp 125, Range 031 Acres +/- 40
2. Parcel number: 01.00330.0003, Section 35, Twp 125, Range 031 Acres +/- 10

Request to split parcel 01.00302.0000 into two parcels

Tract A Acres +/- 4.60 includes existing buildings

Tract B Acres +/- 5.35 will allow access to the second parcel.

INFORMATION FROM PLANNING COMMISSION:

The Kurtz family is requesting to split the 10 acre parcel to allow their son to purchase the parcel with the existing buildings and retain the second parcel to allow access to an additional parcel owned by the Kurtz's. There is one building credit on the above two parcels that is being utilized on Tract A. Because this is zoned A/40, additional property will be restricted to non buildable.

Planning Commission recommends to approve the Administrative Split.

CHANGE TO THE FOLLOWING:

The Kurtz family is requesting to split the 10 acre parcel to allow their son to purchase the parcel with the existing buildings and retain the second parcel to allow access to an additional parcel owned by the Kurtz's. Tract A will have existing building credit, Tract B will be combined with parcel 01.00332.0000 and will have one building credit.

ACTION: A motion to approve the Administrative Split with the above changes was made by Supervisor Greer, second by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried unanimously.

B. Building Permits for Month

None issued-

Upcoming request for CUP from Kotzer Excavating for a concrete plant-Public Hearing by Planning Commission will be held on February 18.

Stearns County-Received request to extend/amend the IUP for Viking Gravel pit - County Public Hearing February 20.

Board discussion-Keep existing hours for hauling, can crush from 6 am to 10 Pm

ACTION: A motion to send a letter to the county as follows:

Request to keep existing hours for hauling 6 am to 7:30 pm Monday – Saturday April – November.

Crushing may be extended until 10 pm. Motion made by Supervisor Nierenhuasen, second by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried, unanimously.

Stearns County approve the rezoning for Albany Recycling Center at their January 16 meeting.

ROAD REPORT

a. Monthly Report-Supervisor Nierenhausen

Roads are as good as they can be considering the winter weather.

Sunnybrook is putting on more sand and not as much salt, this seems to be working better.

Residents are pushing snow across roads causing problems with the roads.

ACTION: Requested a news letter be sent out to all residence with this noted. Along with planting in the right of way.

OLD BUSINESS

a. 360 Street Improvements

Supervisor Nierenhausen met with Stanec at 360 Street. Some preliminary maps were sent on the upcoming construction on this road.

Have walkway go from 238 along the entire side of 360 Street. Have walkway go along the entire north side of 360 Street.

Final drawing will be completed by the February meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

a. 2020-01 Resolution for Appointment of Election Judges for March PNP

That the following persons Georgine Andersen, Sheela Arceneau, Elizabeth Berckes, Judy Fischer, Mary Ann Groetsch, Diane Meier, Diane Noll, and Mary Rosen be appointed as Election Judges for the 2020 Presidential Nomination Primary.

ACTION:A motion to approve Resolution 2020-01 appointing the Judges for the March 3, 2020 Presidential Nomination Primary election judges was made by Supervisor Greer , seconded by Supervisor Rosen , motion carried, unanimously.

b. 2020-02 Resolution for March Township Election Judges

It is requested to have the following election judges for our annual election being held on March 10, 2020: Elizabeth Berckes, Mary Ann Groetsch, and Diane Meier.

ACTION:A motion to approve Resolution 2020-02 appointing the March10, 2020 election judges was made by Supervisor Greer, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried, unanimously.

c. 2020-03 Resolution for Absentee Ballot Board

It is requested to have Election Judges Elizabeth Berckes, Mary Ann Groetsch, and Diane Meier on the Absentee Ballot Board.

ACTION ; A motion to approve Resolution 2020-03 appointing the absentee ballot board for the March 2020 election was made by Supervisor Greer, Seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried, unanimously.

d. Approval of MOU between Stearns County and Albany Township

Addition to MOU page 3, paragraph 3. *junk and salvage operations and solid waste transfer facilities.*

This addition will give Albany Township the responsibility to issue CUP/IUP for the above operations.

Add 2020 to dates of change

ACTION: A motion to approve the updated MOU between Stearns County and Albany Township with added changes was made by Supervisor Greer, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried unanimously.

OFFICER REPORTS

Clerk Noll gave an update on the Sauk River Watershed district.

Watershed districts across the state will be meeting with the State Legislature on March 19.

ACTION: A motion to approve Clerk Noll attend this State meeting was made by Supervisor Greer, seconded by Supervisor Nierenhausen, motion carried, unanimously.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 10, 5 P.M. Audit/ Budget meeting

February 18, 7:30 Planning Commission Meeting(moved from February 11)
Public Hearing on the request for CUP

February 24-Monthly Meeting

March 3-PNP Elections

March 10-Township Election and Public Meeting

April 13-LBAE meeting with County

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Motion to recess to February 10 for the 2019 Audit and 2021 Budget meeting was made by Supervisor Rosen, Seconded by Supervisor Nierenhausen, motion carried unanimously.
Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane E Noll

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Clerk/Treasurer

Approved Minutes: _____ Tim Nierenhausen _____ Date: February 24, 2020

Township Board Chair