

Albany Township  
 Monthly Meeting  
 Monday August 23, 2021, 7:30 P.M.

The regular monthly Albany Township meeting was called to order by Chair Tim Nierenhausen on August 23, 2021, 7:30 P.M at the City of Albany Council Chambers. Supervisors Tim Nierenhausen, Mary Rosen, John Greer, and Clerk/Treasurer Diane Noll, were present. Guests- Deputy Kern.

**THE PLEDGE** of allegiance was recited.

**ITEMS FOR CONSENT AGENDA**

Agenda: Minutes July 19, 2021-monthly meeting; August Treasurer's report; Investments-\$219,590.38  
 Checkbook Balance-\$397,731.19; Receipts-\$57,769.18.

**PAYROLL AND CLAIMS**

9752-9755	July Payroll	\$1,993.86			
9746	Astech	\$11,000.00	9750	M & R Signs	\$37.57
9747	Hanson Paving	\$25,926.00	9751	Star Publication	\$106.08
9748	Kotzer Excavating	\$46,337.28	20210012	PERA	\$109.38
9749	MATIT Insurance	\$1,474.00			
				Total Claims	\$44,990.31
				Total Claims + Payroll	\$46,984.17

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

**ACTION:** A motion to renew the CD at Stearns Bank was made by Supervisor Nierenhausen, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, 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** – Stearns County Deputy Kern

Calls from May to July-45 assorted calls, bulk traffic stops and agency assists

No major concerns or complaints at this time.

Thank you for attending

**OPEN FORUM-**

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

**6a-Monthly Report-Supervisor Rosen**

No July monthly meeting

**6b-Building Permits**

Chris Ramler, 37804 County Road 10—911 sign

Joel Bauer, 20187 Rushmeyer Lake Road-Accessory building

## **ROAD REPORT**

### **7a-Road report-Supervisor Nierenhausen**

Roads are in good shape, few have some speed bumps  
35004 255 Ave-end of road-ditch needs to be cleaned out  
Sand Lake Road/320 Street needs to be touched up-Sunnybrook will be contacted  
Roads have been maintaining there dust suppressant  
330 Street- work on a small section east of the Lange gravel pit was done by Lange construction and asphalt was placed to complete the project.  
Road repair has been completed, shouldering will need to be done in some areas.  
350<sup>th</sup> Street brush still in the right-of-ways

### **7b-Brush Removal Contract**

Chair Nierenhausen will be contacting other contractors for the brush removal.

## **WEED REPORT**

Annual Weed inspection Update-Supervisor Greer

Will be getting bids on spraying right-of-ways.

**ACTION;** A motion was made by Supervisor Nierenhausen to have the ditch spraying completed if it is not more than \$3,000, seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried, unanimously.

Bids from Carr Tree Service, Centra Sota, Brian Bruening.

Supervisor Greer will have spraying completed before the September meeting.

Supervisor Greer will contact Matt Schmitz about cutting the Right-of-ways.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **9a-NMH Approach Permit Update**

The county contract has approved the NMH permit for an accessory building, but he needs to be in compliant with all township regulations. Supervisor Greer will contact the county advising them the approach has not been removed.

We are to continue to charge NMH \$200 per month until the illegal approach is removed. It is requested to have Attorney Couri send additional correspondence stating driveway will need to be removed by November 15 or township will remove by December 1st at owners expense.

### **9b-ARPA Funding**

**ACTION:** A motion to invest the funds in a CD until needed was made by Supervisor Rosen, seconded by Supervisor Greer, motion carried, unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **10a XCEL Energy Power Line**

XCEL Energy is requesting to place power lines from NAPA 1.5 miles to the west. The power lines on the south side are maxed out and they are requesting to add posts on the north side.

The board is requested we send a letter to the 3 residents affected by the posts and have them respond with what their choice is.

### **10b Contract with Albany Fire Department**

We will be charged 28%, City pays 56% remaining is paid by surrounding townships.

**ACTION:** A motion to approve the Fire Department contract was made by Supervisor Greer, seconded

by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried, unanimously.

Fire report-activity over last 6 months: 6 med, 4 auto accidents, 4 grass fires, 1 fire

**OFFICER REPORTS**

Clerk Noll attended the MAT District meeting in Willmar and gave a report.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

August 30-Fifth Monday Meeting Diane Noll, Mary Rosen, John Greer

September 14, PC Meeting

September 16-MAT County Meeting in Freeport

September 27-Monthly Meeting

ACTION: a motion to approve members attend the Fifth Monday Meeting and the MAT County Meeting was made by Supervisor Rosen , seconded by Supervisor Greer, motion carried, unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

ACTION: There being no further business to move before this meeting, a motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Nierenhausen , Seconded by Supervisor Rosen, motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Diane E Noll*

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Clerk/Treasurer

Approved Minutes: \_\_\_\_\_ Tim Nierenhausen \_\_\_\_\_ Date: September 27, 2021

*Township Board Chair*