

MINUTES OF THE ALBANY VILLAGE BOARD

February 13, 2023

The regular meeting of the Albany Village Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Albany Village Hall by President Kim Blumer. Members present were: Blumer, Larry Nipple, Bert Hefty, Michelle Monson, Fred Johnson and Tonya Stephan. Absent: Eileen Althaus. Also present: Lonnie Gill, Robert Ritter, Missy Pryce, Oliva Otte and Scott Vosters.

The Pledge of Allegiance was shared.

Proof of posting was verified.

AGENDA: Motion by Monson, seconded by Hefty, to approve the agenda as posted. Carried.

MINUTES: Motion by Hefty, seconded by Stephan, to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2023 caucus and meeting as printed. Carried.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Nothing.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES: None.

OLIVIA OTTE – GREEN COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION: Otte was present to give some information on the Green County Development Corporation and what they could do for the Village if we become a member. They are non-profit and help with economic growth in communities; retain businesses; and write grants to help businesses. The cost to be a member is \$2,700 per year. The board would like to get more information to look into this as a possibility.

LIBRARY UPDATE: Nothing.

FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS: Motion by Johnson, seconded by Hefty, to approve Danny Mueller as Chief and Justin Mueller as Assistant Chief. Carried.

ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION: Motion by Blumer, seconded by Monson, to approve the Arbor Day Proclamation. Carried.

RESOLUTION 01-23: AUTHORIZING \$90,500 BORROWING: Motion by Nipple, seconded by Hefty, to approve Resolution 01-23 authorizing the borrowing of \$90,500 from the State of Wisconsin Board of Commissioners of Public Lands for the purchase of a new backhoe/loader. Carried. Gill mentioned the expected delivery of the backhoe is June 2023.

OPERATOR'S LICENSES: Motion by Johnson, seconded by Monson, to approve the operator's licenses for Payton Firth and Doris Rose contingent on completion of responsible server's course. Carried.

PHOSPHORUS TRADING PAYMENT: Motion by Nipple, seconded by Blumer, to approve payment to Reimer's before June 1, 2023 with consumer price index adjustment. Carried.

2023 EQUIPMENT RATES: Motion by Nipple, seconded by Blumer, to accept the 2023 equipment rates. Carried.

TRAINING: Motion by Nipple, seconded by Hefty, to approve Blumer to Fond du Lac for *Government Affairs* on February 16, 2023 at a cost of \$80; Gill to LaCrosse for *Wisconsin Rural Waters* on April 4-7,

2023 not to exceed \$1,100; and Gertsch to Madison on February 14-16, 23, 2023 for his water license in the amount of \$475. Carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Motion by Monson, seconded by Johnson, to approve the bills. Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Looking into prices on a lighted cross walk at the intersection of Main and Hwy 59. Gill will gather more information on the trading in of older truck and purchase of new truck.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Monson, seconded by Nipple, to adjourn. Carried.

7:06 p.m.

MISSY J. PRYCE, Deputy Clerk
Village of Albany