

Village of Alma Center

Meeting Minutes of February 12, 2018

Present: Ken Ristow Connie Patterson Jessica Anderson
Eric Olson Eric Hanson

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Village President Ken Ristow at 6:30 at the Alma Center Village Hall.

The open meeting notice requirements were met.

A motion was made by Olson/Patterson to approve the Caucus minutes of January 8, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Anderson/Hanson to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes of January 8, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Patterson/Olson to approve the bills as paid for the period from January 8, 2018 through February 12, 2018. Motion was carried unanimously.

Public Comments

None

Old Business

Officer Johnson stated he is now issuing parking tickets. These tickets are to be paid at the Village Hall. He will also be partaking in some training.

Test Well: Brice from Davey will fill us in.

Water Tower Specs: Brice from Davy will fill us in.

Xcel Energy: We will be receiving their letter this week. Mike Herro from Xcel has set aside a fund for the Municipalities to help with the cost of purchasing new poles for decorations.

Brenengen agreement: The agreement has been signed.

QuickBooks: The conversion is complete, the village Clerk is very happy with the new accounting program. There is a lot to learn still.

Office Computers: The change in the office computers is done. We now have a network system. Our IT man was able to save the Village quite a bit of money by building a computer.

New Business

Nate's AC Garage: After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made by Anderson/Hanson the have Attorney Radcliffe write up a permit allowing "junked and unlicensed" vehicles to remain on the premises up to six (6) months. Nate's Garage will submit a list of vehicles each month to the Village Clerk. Office Johnson will be monitoring the list.

Davey Engineering: Brice Nelson, on behalf of Nelson Plumbing & Heating was requesting an extension to March 30th. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to table this so Attorney Radcliffe could review the contract.

Mr. Nelson also updated us on the Water Tower painting spec sheet. Davey Engineering is currently working on the spec sheet, when it's completed they will send it to the DNR to be approved, and then place an ad in the paper. Davey is hoping to have this done by March.

Lift Station pumps: We had 3 companies come look at the pumps, only 2 gave us bids. B & M Technical Services: \$49,622.24 all new parts and can start in 2-3 days and LW Allen: option 1 \$27,721.00 all rebuilt, not including a Control panel \$15,000.00 - \$20,000.00 more or option 2 \$84,220.00 all new can start in 16-18 weeks. A motion was made by Olson/Patterson to accept the bid from B & M Technical for \$49,622.24.

A motion was made by Patterson/Olson to take the funding from the LGIP Sewer Deprecation Fund to pay for the repairs to the Lift station pumps and control panel. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Hanson/Anderson for Jeff Gaede and Dennis Hardwick to attend the WRWA Conference in La Crosse. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Patterson/Anderson to approve all Quarterly meeting for Jeff Gaede, Dennis Hardwick, Claudia Fields & Laurie Mueller for budget year 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

The final budget of 2017 was reviewed.

Motion was made by Anderson/Hanson to adjourn at 7:57pm. Motion was carried unanimously.

Claudia Fields, Clerk