Alba Borough Minutes July 13, 2020 Regular Monthly Meeting

The Alba Borough Council held the regular monthly meeting at 6 pm at the Alba Christian Church. The meeting was opened by Vice President Carol Bastion.

The minutes from the last meeting were read. Lorelei Colton made the motion to approve the minutes, Steve Bastion seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report was read. Broc Forbes made a motion to pay the bills and Danielle May seconded the motion. The motion passed and the bills will be paid.

Old Business: The census update showed that the Alba borough was 10% behind the 2010 reported response rate, but the borough is still ahead of the county, state, and national response rate with a 67.8% response rate.

Steve Bastion found the electronic signage from Traffic Logix. The signs have many different options but come with a price. Financial options will be discussed at the next meeting.

Doug's landscaping completed the landscaping project between the playground and basketball court. The topsoil was free. The soffits were fixed at the park. Dale Palmer made a motion to give the old lawn mower from the park to Dave Kinner. Steve Bastion seconded the motion.

The Tobacco ordinance will be discussed for approval at the next meeting. The ordinance was sent to the paper to notify the public. Carol asked to look into the possibility of still allowing a smoke zone at the park to not discourage some from using the park.

The Bradford County ESM training was cancelled and is to be rescheduled.

The board discussed getting started with a noise ordinance to handle disruptions of fireworks and other nuisances in the middle of the nights. Some details discussed to be considered for the ordinance included individual safety, building safety, 10:00PM curfew, requiring permits to notify the borough of such events, and possible time of year restrictions.

The website is in progress. There are pages now for the minutes, history, and ordinances. The Url was a weird combination of numbers and letters. Danielle May moved to pay for the url www.albaborough.com at an advanced small business rate. Lorelei seconded the motion.

New Business: Project Connect is providing a source to allow wifi access in public parking lots. The board discussed having internet at the park to use at the park and using the church wifi to have a hot spot in the church parking lot. Project connect will be contacted to discuss what steps to take next.

The clothing collection box below the park is becoming a garbage site with illegal dumping. The mayor Dale Palmer was asked to speak to the landowner about the box.

Rich Bardo is planning to put housing in and is inquiring what papers they need for permitting requirements.

The board discussed putting in a new gate at the park. There was mention of electronic locks. The topic will be discussed in the future.

The board discussed moving forward with getting a borough building installed on the borough property at the corner of windfall and route 14. Discussion of requirements such as handicap accessible and to code regulations were held. The board will revisit the topic in the near future.

Present were: Tricia Hojnowski (Sec./Treas.), Mayor Dale Palmer, Vice President Carol Bastion, Councilmembers: Danielle May, Broc Forbes, Steve Bastion, Lorelei Colton, Tom Hojnowski

Lorelei Colton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve Bastion seconded the motion.

Respectively submitted by,

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Tricia Hojnowski

Alba Borough Secretary/Treasurer