

Alba Borough Minutes

January 11, 2021

Reorganization 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, Danielle May seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

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

Old Business:

There has been no communication from the engineer working in the Wyalusing area about the electronic speed signs. There was a possible lead of a contact person from Penn Dot in Montoursville office. Steve Bastion made the motion to go forward with contacting Penn Dot to see what our options are for the electronic speed signs in the borough. Lorelei seconded the motion. A letter will be written to request information on our options to place electronic signs on the state roads within the borough.

Selective insurance will be contacted about how much it would cost to increase the bond amount for the secretary/treasurer position.

There are multiple positions up for election. There will be 5 council members, Tax collector, Auditor and minority and majority inspectors of election positions on the next ballot. Petitions will be available starting February 8th and circulating starting February 16th.

Carol Bastion reported all the lights in the Borough that needed maintenance to Penelec. The lights have been fixed or on Penelec's radar to be fixed.

New Business:

Lorelei made a motion to keep the officers as is for the next year. Broc Forbes seconded the motion. The officers will remain the same for the next year with Gordon Matson as President, Carol Bastion as Vice President and Tricia Jackson as Secretary/Treasurer. The reorganization form will be filled out and sent back to the Bradford County Office of Elections.

A letter from the Canton Borough was read regarding the workers compensation for the fire department for 2020 and 2021. The premium for 2021 is an increase from 2020, but a decrease from the proposed 2020 rate. Alba borough will pay their percentage based on the expected 2021 premium amount. Any difference needing adjusted will be invoiced or paid back by the end of the year.

The annual reporting forms for the borough were submitted on the state website for 2021. The Ag-385 form and PURTA forms will be filled out within the next month. The audit will be conducted in the next couple months before the end of March 2021.

There was discussion on trying to get a small summary of the monthly minutes into the Canton Independent newspaper for people in the community to read to keep up with the current discussions.

There was discussion on fixing up the garage on the borough property as a storage facility.

The mailboxes have been threatened to be removed by the owner of the property. There was discussion on what options the borough may have to save the boxes for the community members who rely on them for their mail.

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

Danielle May made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve Bastion seconded the motion.

Respectively submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tricia Jackson".

Tricia Jackson
Alba Borough Secretary/Treasurer