

Alba Borough Minutes

October 12, 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 President Gordon Matson

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

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

Old Business:

The 2021 budget was discussed. Steve Bastion made a motion to approve the 2021 Budget, Broc Forbes seconded. The 2021 budget was approved.

Specific details on what the borough wants in a building was discussed. Everything has to be handicap accessible. Information from Larry Fleming was shared about their modular that has a basement and kitchen for approximately \$150,000. Information from Lonna Bly was also discussed. They recommended a pole barn with a bathroom, cement pad, slide door, and heat in the floor. Some of the things we will need for our building include a gray water tank, two exits, and blind accessibility. The garage is in discussion to be kept for extra storage. The land needs to be surveyed and appraised before we begin with any building. Steve will investigate a person to survey and appraise the land. There was discussion on if the land was in the flood plain or not. The maps will be brought to the next meeting to determine the boundaries of the flood plain.

Speed control in the borough is still an ongoing problem. There was a news article that Lorelei read discussing the issues around some of the speed control devices. Speed humps and bumps were discussed but would not be the most beneficial for our borough. They would only be able to be installed on borough roads and not state roads. The electronic speed signs are the most ideal way to try to control speed in the borough. We have enough money budgeted in our General Fund to pay for electronic signs. Steve Bastion will look into more specific numbers for pricing of the signs we may use. The insurance company will be contacted to determine what coverage we will be able to have for the signs.

We have found another auditor for the borough. Jessica Ensinger agreed to be a part of the borough audit for 2021.

New Business:

The board had a majority vote to go forward with the Alba Borough Trick or treat night. It will be held Saturday, October 31 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

There were reports of strange activity happening within the borough including cars being trashed and strangers wandering on people's properties. It was advised to lock up at night or when you are away.

We will discuss the hours and pay for the secretary at the next meeting. A log of hours and a monthly pay were discussed.

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

Carol Bastion made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve Bastion seconded the motion.

Respectively submitted by,

Tricia Hojnowski

Alba Borough Secretary/Treasurer

Next Meeting is December 14, 2020