

Alba Borough Minutes

October 9th, 2023

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 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. Danielle May made a motion to pay the bills and Lorelei Colton seconded the motion. The motion passed and the bills will be paid.

Old Business:

Doug said that he can pour a concrete pad for the new swing at the Alba Park. Steve Bastion and Dale Palmer will meet with Doug to install the pad.

The hole along the stream on the Borough's property may be able to be fixed by cutting back into the bank and pouring a concrete wall. Communications with Joe Finan and Sechrist are in process. We are waiting for a quote of what the work and supplies would cost.

Some members of the board have contacted PENNDOT about the hole along the intersection of Windfall and Minnequa roads. They have been told that the hole is a minor wash out. More members are going to contact the state to voice their concerns with the hole and stability of the intersection.

The pole that will be used for the new cemetery streetlight is now removed from the woods. The pole may need to be cut down before installing.

PennWisp is hooking Ron and Lorelei Colton up to test run their service. After they fix any "bugs" they will start to offer others in the borough their service.

After some research about Jake brake signs, Ron has found that many report having more issues after putting in "No Jake Brake" Signs. There was not more discussion on the topic at this time.

Ron Colton made a motion to approve the 2024 Budget, Steve Bastion second the motion.

Halloween Trick-Or-Treat was agreed to be held on October 31st, 2023, from 6PM-8PM.

There was a brief discussion on the benefit of having an AED at the Alba Church, since that is the site of Municipal meetings, Voting Polls, and our Emergency Evacuation Site. Ron Colton made a motion that once the church board approved a purchase of an AED, the Borough would pay for half of the cost. Tom Hojnowski second the motion.

New Business:

Tricia brought it to the board's attention that quickbooks would be starting to charge a monthly subscription fee for the current desktop system we use for bookkeeping. Her suggestion was to update our books to the quickbooks online monthly subscriptions, since there will be a charge either way. Danielle May made a motion to move the books to online Quickbooks, Steve Bastion Second the motion.

PennDot sent a fall newsletter that was passed around, there was no discussion on the matter.

Ron Colton brought it to the boards attention that he would be willing to take care of the plowing in front of the cluster boxes this year but is requesting reimbursement for fuel. Danielle May made a motion to pay Ron \$10 per plowing, Steve Bastion second the motion.

Dale Palmer requested permission to cut back some of the brush and trees that are hanging into the roadways and blocking drivers' vision. Steve Bastion made a motion to allow Dale Palmer to conduct maintenance along the roadways by clearing brush and trees that may be hindering Driver safety, Ron Colton second the motion.

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

Guest: Caleb Jackson

Danielle May made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Broc Forbes seconded the motion.

Respectively submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tricia Jackson".

Tricia Jackson
Alba Borough Secretary/Treasurer