

**Town of Albany Minutes**  
September 14, 2021

The Town Board met at the Town Hall with all members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was shared. Proof of posting was verified in The Independent Register, three places and on the website. A discussion was held regarding posting of Regular Meetings in the newspaper. It was decided not to post in the newspaper since it wasn't necessary and it had a cost to publish.

Approval of August 10 meeting minutes: A motion was made by Abel Schultz and seconded by Doug Lawrence to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer reported \$352,617.49 in Checking, \$145,618.16 in Savings Account, \$84,387.89 in the Building Account, \$95,471.49 in the Machinery Account, and \$32,588.88 in the Reassessment Fund. A motion was made by Abel Schultz and seconded by Scott Roth to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented and to move \$59,608.74 ARPA funds from the Checking Account to a separate account. Motion carried 3-0. A motion was made by Abel Schultz and seconded by Doug Lawrence to move \$50,000 from Savings to Checking to use toward 2021 roadwork instead of obtaining a short-term loan. Motion carried 3-0. The Town Board will review borrowing of short-term funds at a later date, if needs arise. Grace Spangler said the Tax Collection Agreement with the Green County Treasurer will continue for this next tax year. A discussion was held to keep the Dog License fees the same for the coming year. Dean Houlberg handed out Expense Reports to the Board Officials to be used to present expenses.

Public Input: None

Website: The Clerk's e-mail address was corrected. Meeting Agenda and Meeting Minutes will continue to be printed on the Town of Albany website.

Planning Commission: Nothing was presented.

Roads and Driveway Permits: There was a new Driveway Permit issued to Sigmund & Carolyn Olson , Lot in Wild Iris Way. Abel Schultz made a motion to approve the Permit and Scott Roth seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Abel Schultz will be talking with Green County Highway Department regarding replacing a culvert on Decatur Albany Road.

Building Inspector: Joseph Chapman, W1197 Jericho Drive, New Wood Deck, \$75 Fees; Alston Enterprises LLC, N6159 Blarney Stone Drive, New single family dwelling, \$887.43 Fees; David & Marilyn Carlson, N6257 Edmunds Road, New 52' X 104' personal storage shed, \$75 Fees.

Assessor: Nothing was presented.

Insurance: See ATV/UTV discussion.

Library: The library is no longer charging late fees on late returned books. A silent auction is scheduled for November. The library is working on a Strategic Plan for 2022 - 2024

Recycling: The Village of Albany approved a new recycling agreement with the Town of Albany with the following summary: Separate Pelliteri Bill for the Township, Village to pay Town \$8,473 for the skid steer loader, Acceptance Day costs split 50-50 between Village and Town, Brush Pile costs split 50-50 between

Village and Town. A discussion was held regarding the Village approved Recycling Agreement with Town of Albany. The Board does not like the Acceptance Day expenses and sharing the Brush Pile expenses. The Board will agree to the 50-50 Brush Pile expenses to grind up what is there. Starting January 1, 2022 Town of Albany won't share the Brush Pile with Village of Albany. The Board will discuss alternatives regarding Acceptance Day.

Fire Department: Nothing was presented.

EMS: Town of Albany population was verified at 1,124.

Payment of Bills: A motion was made by Abel Schultz and seconded by Doug Lawrence to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

ARPA – ARPA funds will be moved to a separate account to more easily identify them.

ATV/UTV Discussion: Grace contacted Rural Mutual Insurance for an insurance opinion regarding the Township's liability insurance coverage. The insurance agent said there would be no change in insurance premiums and no increased liabilities as long as the Town of Albany follows Green County's Ordinance. A motion was made by Abel Schultz and seconded by Doug Lawrence to have the Town of Albany Attorney draft an Ordinance to follow Green County's Ordinance and include the Attorney's other recommendations. The draft should be presented at the October Regular Meeting. Motion carried 3-0.

Equipment Purchases: A motion was made by Abel Schultz and seconded by Scott Roth to purchase an MDS Grapple Bucket through Sloan Implement for \$6,000 + Freight + Attachments. Ron Krupke will do additional checking on Dump Trailer prices.

2022 Budget Discussion: Budget dates and training classes will be reviewed.

Election Poll Workers – Poll Workers' training meetings were held on September 14, 2021.

Set Next Meeting: The next regular meetings are set for Tuesday, October 12, 2021, Tuesday, Nov. 9, 2021, and Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2021.

Special Assessment Certification Fees – A discussion was held regarding providing Special Assessment Certifications on every real estate transaction handled by the Title Companies. Fees charged by area municipalities were reviewed. A motion was made by Abel Schultz and seconded by Scott Roth to charge a \$20 fee on each Special Assessment Certification provided to the Title Companies. Fees could be paid monthly by the Title Companies. Motion carried 2-1.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Doug Lawrence and seconded by Scott Roth to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0.

Dean A. Houlberg  
Clerk