Town of Albany Minutes June 12, 2023

The Town Board met at the Town Hall with Abel Schultz, Doug Lawrence, Scott Roth, Grace Spangler, and Shannon Sheflin present. Ron Krupke, Lynn Novak, Jody & Jim Sterr, Joe & Gloria Kopp, Jeff Everson, and Bob Duxstad the Town Attorney were also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was shared. Proof of posting was verified in four places and on the website.

Approval of meeting minutes: A motion was made by Abel Schultz and seconded by Doug Lawrence to approve the minutes for the May 9, 2023 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer reported:

\$145,112.78 in Checking Account \$201,558.58 in Savings Account \$84,569.44 in the Building Account \$40,112.52 in the Reassessment Fund \$126,735.05 in the Machinery Account \$120,294.46 in the ARPA Account.

A motion was made by Scott Roth and seconded by Abel Schultz to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Public Input: Joe & Gloria Kopp asked to reduce the speed on Atkinson Road from 55 mph to 45 mph. There are several businesses and residences on that road as well as a lot of traffic, they feel people are driving over the posted speed limit and hope with the speed reduction it will slow the traffic down.

Board discussed options such as reducing all county roads to 45 mph township wide so that it is consistent throughout the township instead of reducing speeds road by road as requested.

Website: Building inspector tab has been added with forms for requesting permits. Jody Sterr mentioned she has not received meeting minutes from the Planning Commission. Jody also asked if we should include ATV/UTV maps on our website, board agreed to not manage the ATV/UTV route postings but instead put a link on the website directing people to the Green County ATV Club sites that maintain and manage the routes available.

Planning Commission: Paul Larson land division, wants to split a 68 acre parcel into a 43 acre and 25 acre creating a new lot with the new split. Conversation is tabled until there is a CSM.

Roads and Driveway Permits: Abel Schultz brought our current driveway ordinance and discussed possible changes we could make such as adding a metal apron endwall on all culverts, if any damage is done while putting in a driveway, the property must be restored to the way it was prior, permit required for any work being done on road right away easement. Town Attorney Bob Duxstad will look into Oregon to see if they have an ordinance regarding easement construction and return to board with any suggestions to add to the Driveway Ordinance.

Jeff Everson applied for a driveway permit to add a 2nd driveway on his property on Dunphy Road, it is at least 250 feet away from the existing driveway.

Tanner Peschl and Jessica Deegan applied for a driveway permit to put a driveway from the road to the existing shed off Brooklyn Albany Road.

Zoning: Permits were approved by Green County Zoning for the following: Daniel Dunphy, W265 English Settlement Road, 24'x52' Manufactured House, \$125,000 Jeff Everson, W1314 Dunphy Rd., 30'x40' Shed, \$30,000 Greg & Chrysta Newman, W1360 Dunphy Rd., 25'x12' Deck, \$1500 Ronald & Roberta Moe, W1895 Purintun Rd., 12'x20' Shed, \$10,000 Bradley & Angela Scott, W1134 Decatur Albany Rd., 16'x16' Deck, \$3,000 Bradley & Angela Scott, W1134 Decatur Albany Rd., 30'x45' Storage Shed, \$21, 400

Building Inspector: The following Building Permits were issued from 05/01/23 through 05/32/23: Matt Gough, W1152 Jericho Dr., Remove existing deck and replace with 8'x20' composite deck Rudy Lothary & Katelyn Wendt, W1925 Brooklyn-Albany Rd., New 30'42' Personal storage shed Bruce Malm, N7087 Wild Iris Way, New freestanding service Daniel Dunphy, W281 English Settlement Rd., New modular home Phil McManus, N6965 Attica Rd., Replace furnace or air conditioner Markus & Elizabeth Bomtrager, W509 Atkinson Rd., New single family dwelling Todd & Linda Noble, W1532 Decatur-Albany Rd., New single family modular home

Assessor: No date has yet been established for Open Book or Board of Review. Gardiner Appraisal is working on reassessing 17 municipalities during 2023. Gardiner Appraisal said most likely they will be scheduled in late summer/early fall. Abel Schultz put information regarding property information and assessments on Township website for constituents to read and reference.

Insurance: Reviewed Rural Insurance Statement.

Library: Board met, they did a closed session for Melissa Everson's evaluation, installed Melissa Everson as a permanent library director and she accepted. There are many summer programs coming up this summer.

Fire Department: Nothing was presented.

EMS: Nothing was presented.

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

Equipment: Board discussed the Township work truck, replacement would cost 120-130,000. The truck is 23 years old, 80,000 miles on it. The board discussed what was more important to fund, the roads or equipment. Discussed taking 100,000 from the Machinery Fund and borrowing 30,000. Mentioned looking at Wisconsin surplus for used work trucks.

ARPA: Doug Lawrence said he received an email from Brian Hauri with a quote for 37,000 and one from Green County Electric with a quote of 27,000 to do the electrical update in the Town Hall Shop/Garage. Doug will reach out to Green County Electric to see if there has been any adjustment to the proposal since it came through in March. Board discussed the electric components on the proposal and Ron Krupke had questions regarding a generator, outdoor lights, shop lights, weatherproof external outlets, ceiling fans. Board discussed that the parking lot repairs would come out of the Building Fund, not the ARPA funds.

Doug Lawrence discussed moving forward with Green County Electric to upgrading electrical service in the shop, but not to exceed 35,000. Scott Roth made a motion to move forward with Green County Electric with the electrical upgrades, but not to exceed 35,000, and seconded by Abel Schultz. Motion carried 3-0.

Town Hall Building: Shannon Sheflin and Doug Lawrence will present a project plan at August Board Meeting.

Set Next Meeting: The next regular meetings are set for Tuesday, July 11, 2023 and August 8, 2023. All meetings will be at the Town Hall.

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

Shannon Sheflin Clerk, Town of Albany