

Village of Albany, Green County, Wisconsin : Agendas & Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2017 Village Board Minutes

MINUTES OF THE ALBANY VILLAGE BOARD
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The regular meeting of the Albany Village Board was called to order by President Kim Blumer in the Albany Village Hall at 6:30 p.m. Members present were: Blumer, Virginia Detra, Nathan Ramsay, Tonya Stephan, Stephen Hubert, and Eileen Althaus. Absent: Peggy Boeck. Also present: Sarah, Ashley, Christopher Ritter, Bob and Barb Levitt, Deanna Hubert, Michelle Monson, Ricky DeNure, Lonnie Gill, Chris Lange, Suzanne Bryant, Vern Helmuth, Alison Phillips, Phern Phillips, Logan Lange, Ross Wenger, Sven Prestbrotten, and Michelle and Addisyn Brewer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was shared.

Proof of posting verified.

AGENDA: Motion by Ramsay, seconded by Stephan to approve the agenda as posted. Carried.

MINUTES: Motion by Ramsay, seconded by Stephan to approve the minutes of the previous meetings held 3-13-17 and 3-30-17 as printed. Carried.

PRESIDENT'S MOMENT: Nothing at this time.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES: Chris Lange questioned discussion several years ago about having advertising banners on the fence at the ball park. He was directed to the Park Commission.

POLICE CHIEF OATH: President Blumer gave Robert Ritter the Police Chief's Oath of Office. Ritter's wife then pinned on his chief badge. A round of applause and congratulations were shared. Several people moved to the EMS room for a small reception.

RESIDENTIAL PARKING " ALLISON PHILLIPS: Phillips was present to discuss parking issues in the residential areas. She listed some statutes that state that the village can restrict parking. She also spoke with several property owners in the downtown areas, and the majority would like to see some relief of the parking. Phern Phillips stated that it is near to impossible to get off of South Water Street on to East Main Street with all of the traffic and pedestrians. Residents feel that they are being infringed upon and can't enjoy their own property. Blumer stated that the committees will look into this further. The board thanked her for her information and presentation.

RECYCLING CENTER ASSISTANT PAY: Blumer explained that there was a mix-up on the hourly rate of the Recycling Center Assistant that needed to be corrected. Motion by Blumer, seconded by Ramsay to increase the hourly rate to \$12.50/hour. Carried.

PLANS COMMISSION APPOINTMENT: Motion by Althaus, seconded by Hubert to appoint Larry Ommodt to the Plans Commission. Carried.

TOUR FIRE DEPARTMENT: Detra reported that Chief Mueller has invited the board to a tour of the fire department. The board members are interested in this, so we will work to schedule this.

COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION REPORTS: The following committee and commission reports were read and placed on file:

Park Commission	3-20-17
License	3-28-17
Commission	4-06-17

Police, Fire,
Street and Utility 4-03-17

PARK SUMMER EMPLOYEE: It was reported that Gill will be interviewing a candidate for the summer employee for the parks. Motion by Detra, seconded by Ramsay to have Gill and DeNure approve the hiring at an hourly wage of \$10. Carried.

SPRINKLER REPAIR: Motion by Hubert, seconded by Ramsay to approve repairing the sprinkler system at the ball park at a cost not to exceed \$1,000. Carried.

YESTERYEAR WEEKEND REQUESTS: Motion by Detra, seconded by Ramsay to close the following streets for the Yesteryear Weekend: On Friday night May 26th, North Water Street from East Main Street to Oak Street for the Street Dance from 6-12; On Saturday, May 27th, North Water Street from East Main Street to Milwaukee Street for the parade and band from 9 a.m. " 4 p.m. (there will be no alcohol on the streets). Carried.

Motion by Detra, seconded by Ramsay to temporary close Highway 59 for the parade. Carried. The clerk's office will apply for the permit.

FLAG LIGHT FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT: Detra thanked Wayne Stemple for making sure that the flag was lit at the Albany Fire Department.

OPERATOR'S LICENSE: Motion by Detra, seconded by Althaus to approve Operator's Licenses for Julie Wanless and Brock Peters contingent on Wanless taking the server class. Carried.

BOWMAN PARK PORTA POTTIES: Discussion was held on the need for porta potties at the Bowman Park for the summer months. S&B is offering to pay for four porta potties - 2 handicapped and 2 regular - however they have no room on their property so are wondering if they could place them on the village's property (Bowman Park). After more discussion, it was recommended where they could go. It was decided that S&B will contact Gill when they come in so they can decide the best area for them to be placed. Hubert has concerns about them sitting on village property. Stephan reminded all that the village has no public bathrooms in the downtown area, so it could benefit all - not just S&B customers. Motion by Detra, seconded by Stephan to allow S&B tubing to place four porta potties on the Bowman Park land for the summer months and will work with Gill on the placement. Carried.

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION: Motion by Detra, seconded by Hubert to allow North Water Street from Milwaukee Street to Madison Street to be closed from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 22 for Earth Day. Carried.

RESOLUTION 01-17: Motion by Ramsay, seconded by Detra to approve Resolution 01-17 to file applications for Financial Assistance from the State of Wisconsin Environmental Improvement Fund. Carried.

RESOLUTION 02-17: Motion by Ramsay, seconded by Althaus to approve Resolution 02-17 stating the intent to reimburse Expenditures from proceeds of borrowing. Carried.

NORTH WATER STREET PARKING: Motion by Ramsay, seconded by Althaus to widen the street between Milwaukee Street and Madison Street to allow parking on the west side of the street at a cost not to exceed \$10,000. Carried. There will be angled parking on the west side. Motion by Ramsay, seconded by Stephan to make all of North Water Street from East Main to Madison Street one way to the north. Carried.

BACK ALLEY PARKING REPAIRS: Motion by Ramsay, seconded by Hubert to proceed with the improvements in the back alley area as follows: to swap land with Mark Berlinski off of Oak Street to allow a straight through drive from Oak to East Main; to put up a fence on the west side of the property currently owned by Karen Nicodemus as a trade of receiving the property jut out on the west side of her property to make it easier for the project; to have Alliant Energy move the two power poles and re-string the electric wires with the Bruggers paying for the one pole that is on their property. Carried.

TRAINING: Motion by Ramsay, seconded by Hubert to approve Gill attend the Asphalt and Gravel Road Maintenance training held in Barneveld on 4-21-17 at a cost of \$80. Carried.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUEST: A public hearing was held by the Plans Commission to consider a Conditional Use Permit for Mark Berlinski for his property at 114 North Water Street to allow him to have an overnight rental property on the ground floor. This would not be for constant living there, it would just be for overnight stays. The Plans Commission recommended that it be approved contingent on his making all of the improvements that were told to him from the village's building inspector and to not allow anyone to stay at the property until all is approved by the building inspector. Motion by Blumer, seconded by Althaus to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Mark Berlinski for his property located at 114 North Water Street to allow overnight rental on the ground floor and to make sure that all changes required by the inspector are met. Yes - Althaus, Blumer, Detra. No - Stephan, Hubert, Ramsay. Motion did not carry.

BILLS: After review, a motion by Hubert, seconded by Ramsay to approve the bills as presented. Carried.

FUTURE ITEMS: Detra found that many members of the Albany Fire Department are not in agreement with hiring a director for the fire department. She did mention that possibly they could change their system to a Fire District. This will be looked in to.

Blumer thanked Detra for all of her years of service on the village board.

Ramsay reported that he gathered information regarding the options for a shredder for the village and for a new time clock that may be able to send information directly to the village's computer. He asks that the clerk's office review the options.

ADJOURN: Motion by Hubert, seconded by Detra to adjourn. Carried. 7:50 p.m.

Laurie K. Keepers, Clerk
