

Town of Albany Minutes
May 8, 2023

Attendance: Adolph Pichler, Jr.-Chairman, Mark Brindle-1st Supervisor, Mike Wright 2nd Supervisor, Julie Heck-Clerk and Laurie Brantner-Treasurer

Clerk's Report: 1st Mike, 2nd Mark

Treasurer's Report: 1st Mark, 2nd Mike

- Question when Ntec will bill for internet

Road Maintenance:

- Corey is busy with brushing and patching
- Adolph has said he has had a number of calls regarding cleaning the ditches
- Adolph brought up the rumor regarding firing Corey Brantner and hiring Pepin County to do the roadwork. Adolph said he never has brought that up to anyone.
- Adolph also brought up the number of calls he has received about Corey Brantner cutting trees out of the road right of way and taking the wood home to heat the sheds he uses to store the Town of Albany equipment in. Mike made a motion to table this until the next meeting and Mark seconded it.
- Kyle Fagerland asked about cleaning the ditch out on Albany E (east side of road) near the property he rents. He said he would do it and not charge anything. Questions were brought up about liability and Kyle hitting any buried phone lines. A motion was brought forward by Mike and seconded by Mark for Kyle Fagerland to do the dirt work only if there is no liability issues and Digger's Hotline is called beforehand.

Discuss/Approve Roadwork for 2023:

- Different ideas were brought up about getting more money for road repairs. Matt Nelson brought up having residents help subsidize it by adding to their taxes. Another way was to borrow money from the state for road repairs with a lower interest rate. Ava Insteness, a student from Mondovi said that she, along with a teacher, Laura Teigen, would be interested in preparing a grant for extra funding.
- 4 different roads were brought up for repairs this summer, Albany I, L (east and west), Y and ZZ. This would be roughly a 5.5 mile stretch to repair. Adolph contacted the County to look at these roads to see if they would be candidates to be repaired. Mike made a motion to do the repairs on these roads as long as Adolph stays in contact with the other board members regarding the work and Mark seconded it.

Approval of Bills: 1st Mark, 2nd Mike

Discuss/Approve Method to Obtain Building Permits:

- This will be tabled until the June meeting so Adolph can talk with Fred Weber about him collecting all of the permits for Albany Township

Public Comment:

- Adolph will be going to the Fire Meeting on May 24, 2023. Adolph suggested the Township get a sign reading Controlled Burning to lend to anyone getting a burning permit to put near the fire so any passersby will know they don't need to

call the fire in. Right now you do not need a permit when there is snow on the ground but it is still a good idea to call the sheriff's office to let them know.

- A question was brought up about where you can dispose of old tires. It was suggested you could take them to Tom Brantner in Mondovi or Pepin County Recycling Center in Durand for a fee.

Date and Agenda for the Next Meeting:

- The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 12, 2023 at 6:00 PM at the Albany Town Hall.
- Agenda for the meeting is normal agenda items plus: 1)Building Permits, 2)Roadwork Final Approval, 3)Issue with Wood, 4) Treasurer Position and 5)Liquor License Approval.

Adjourn: 1st Mike, 2nd Mark

Julie Heck, Clerk

• Alcivia.....	\$ 17.18
• Pepin County Recycling/Solid Waste (March).....	\$ 529.00
• Bauer Built.....	\$ 56.56
• Buffalo County News.....	\$ 155.00
• John Deere Financial.....	\$ 246.22
• Pepin County Clerk (USB for 2 nd Voting Machine).....	\$ 105.00
• Dunn Energy Cooperative.....	\$ 96.00
• Verizon.....	\$ 28.63
• Durand Parts City.....	\$ 60.98
• Milestone Materials.....	\$ 674.27
• Julie Heck (wage, internet, mileage).....	\$ 470.00
• River States Truck and Trailer.....	\$ 968.92
• Laurie Brantner (wage, internet, mileage).....	\$ 370.00
• Corey Brantner (4-11 to 4-27-23).....	\$1,521.14