

Village of Alma Center

Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2024

Present: Ken Ristow Carrie June Teresa Johnson
 Jessica Anderson Eric Olson

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Village President Ken Ristow at 6:30 at the Alma Center Village Hall.

The open meeting notice requirements were met.

Motion was made by Olson/Johnson to approve the Special meeting minutes of October 23, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Anderson/Johnson to approve the Budget Hearing meeting minutes of November 11, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Anderson/Olson to approve the regular board meeting minutes of November 11, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Anderson/Johnson to approve the bills as paid for the period from November 11, 2024, through December 9, 2024. Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Olson/Anderson to approve the Special meeting minutes of November 25, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments:

None

Old Business

Police Report: Officer Michael Bartlett is the new officer taking care of the police log sheets. The sheets have a new look.

Sewer Operations: The plant is running well. Mix Liquors are running at 2200 to 2300, we would like to see them at 3000 or better.

Ryan's testing: Next test is in January

Property Tax Bills: They are here, going to be sent out the week of November 9th.

Davy: The report has been sent in, now we are waiting.

New Business

JC Broadband funding: April Riley spoke to the board about the broadband funding Jackson County is endorsing. The goal is to get broadband services into the rural areas. Jackson County is looking for a letter of support from the village. Motion was made by Olson/Johnson to approve the letter of support but no matching funds at this time. Motion carried unanimously.

Transmitter: Sheriff Waldera addressed the board about the current cost of transmitters on the US Cellular towers, approximately 10K a year per tower, there are 3 towers at this time. The Sheriff's Office is looking for a way to lower this cost. They are doing some research and hope to have a plan in 2025.

Blacktop/Ordinance #2024-10-14 will be addressed at the January board meeting. It is in need of some clarification in regards to Residential vs Business.

Motion made by Anderson/Johnson to require all residents of the village to have garbage/recycling service except for the businesses, they will continue with their dumpster service. Motion carried unanimously.

Fire District: The Alma Center Fire District approved Kevin Forsting as the Fire Chief and Stephanie Simonson as the EMS Director. They also approved the name change to Countyline Fire & Rescue. The chassis for the new truck has not been delivered as yet, FEMA is working with the department.

Motion was made by Anderson/June to approve an operator license for Amy Louise Janicki. Motion carried unanimously.

Caucus is on January 13, 2025, at 6:15 pm at the Alma Center Village Hall.

Motion to adjourn made by Olson/Johnson at 7:41 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Claudia Fields, Clerk