

The June 11, 2019 meeting of St. Albans Township was called to order by Chairman, Randal Almendinger.

All trustees and fiscal officer were present.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved.

The minutes of the May 30th special meeting were read and approved as read.

The fiscal officer read fund balances to date.

Rick Burkholder, of Morse rd. said there is resident renting a house next door to him and they are having septic issues, Rick has contacted the health dept, and the Sherriff's dept because the resident has threatened to shoot Rick. Rick wanted to go on record as saying he does not feel safe.

Charles Montgomery discussed the possibility of having to switch electric companies at the new building. Trustees and audience members discussed.

Tom Frederick gave the May zoning report.

Tom said the BZA has 2 hearings coming up next week and they are in need of 1 new member.

Mike Theisen gave the May fire and EMS reports.

The new computers have arrived for the trucks and he is working on installing them and he presented a quote for 4 desktop computers from Micro Center.

Bruce Lane made a motion to approve the purchase of just over \$2000.00 for 4 computers and 5 years of support.

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Mike said he went to the Liberty Township meeting and is requesting that they do a replacement levy so it will go from 1.9 to 3.1mills and asked the trustees to draft a letter to the Liberty Township Trustees in support of this.

Mike said he would like to hire 1 new employee: Andy Taylor.

Bruce Lane would like to table this request until next month.

Bruce Lane picked up a copy of the plans today for the building and said it is just now dry enough to start moving dirt on the property.

Randal Almendinger thanked Dean Schiller and Jeff Mitchell for work they have done on the building at Fireman's Park.

Road bids for Jug St.were opened, 1 was received- Small's Asphalt at a bid of \$166,446.35.

Bid is higher than trustees expected. They discussed options.

Randal Almendinger made a motion to accept the road bid from Smalls Asphalt for Jug Street.

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Jean Morrison said there are neighbors on Hardscrabble rd. having a disagreement about water drainage and have contacted the trustees for a resolution. Jean has

talked to Soil and Water, the zoning inspector and the prosecutor and as long as it is not running on the township's roads the township can't do anything about it.

Bruce Lane was contacted by a resident in Stonestrow who is unhappy about people speeding on their roads and wanted to know about putting up speed limit signs. Trustees and audience members discussed what would need to be done to get the speed limit lowered. Tom Cunningham suggested they contact the school district about putting up a school bus sign to slow people down. Bruce will contact the resident to see how he would like to proceed.

Jean Morrison said the leasing company for the fire truck says they still have not received the title/paperwork. Jean is working on this.

Trustees talked about appointing someone for the BZA, Rick Burkholder may be interested. Tom Frederick will meet with him to explain what is involved.

Randal Almendinger made a motion to increase the pay for Charles Montgomery to \$20.25.

2nd by Bruce Lane. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger- yes. Motion carried.

Randal Almendinger made a motion to increase the pay for Gary Root to \$18.25 with a signed letter from Gary saying he is declining the healthcare provided by the township.

Motion dies for lack of a 2nd.

Checks were signed.

Randal Almendinger made a motion to go into executive session with the 3 trustees, fiscal officer and Charles Montgomery to discuss Gary Root's pay and the lack of disclosing information on his resume and also discuss a raise in pay for Tony Tritt.

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Jean Morrison made a motion to adjourn executive session and return to open session.

2nd by Bruce Lane. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Randal Almendinger said the results of the executive session is that a pay increase for Tony Tritt was discussed and Bruce Lane and Jean Morrison expressed their concerns of hiring Gary Root after finding out about things that were not disclosed on his resume or in his interview. Bruce will meet with Gary to discuss his concerns.

Jean Morrison made a motion to increase Tony Tritt's hourly pay rate to \$17.00.

2nd by Randal Almendinger. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Randal Almendinger made a motion to amend his previous motion to include the date of pay increase for Charles Montgomery will start July 1st.

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane-yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Randal Almendinger made a motion to increase Charlie Mongomery's pay to \$20.25 starting July 1st.

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane-yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Jean Morrison made a resolution to make the start date for Gary Root July 1st.

2nd by Randal Almendinger. Roll call: Jean Morrison-yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned 10:18 P.M.