

The April 10, 2018 meeting of St. Albans Township was called to order by Chairman, Randal Almendinger.

All trustees and fiscal officer were present.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and corrected.

The minutes of the April 3rd special meeting were read and approved as read.

The fiscal officer read fund balances to date.

Richard Burkholder said the school board has hired 1 resource officer for Northridge Schools in light of the recent school shootings and he doesn't feel that's enough.

Dick Carter said he does not feel the school should be a polling place for security purposes for the kids.

Bruce Kean said he has spoke with Jerry Bennett from Brookside about his well and Jerry does not feel their dewatering process has caused Bruce's well problems, but is willing to pay for his well replacement as a good neighbor gesture however he is not willing to pay for Bruce's property next door to his house to have a well replaced.

Randy Almendinger will make some phone calls to see if he can get anything resolved for Bruce.

Squeek Lee said Lewie Miller would like to have a new survey done for the cemetery issues of having 3 graves on his property and he wants to put a fence up. Jean will talk to Lewie and trustees will put in an engineers request to have it surveyed.

Charlie Montgomery said he would like to have the prisoners come out and clean litter out of the ditches. Bruce will contact Judge Stansbury to get something scheduled.

Tom Frederick gave the March zoning report.

Tom said the planning commission director was suppose to come to the zoning commission meeting this month but now isn't able to attend until next month.

Pam Hills said at the zoning commission meeting they will begin on updating the comprehensive plan.

Steve Scovell said he has to have shoulder surgery and will be out for about 12 weeks. His full time job does not have "light duty" so he has to take medical leave from there which means he is unable to work at St. Albans in any capacity while he is away from his full time job. He would like to put Mike Theisen in the roll of "acting chief" while he is off.

Bruce Lane made a motion that Captain Theisen takes the title of acting chief until Steve Scovell is released to go back to work in full capacity.

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

Mike Theisen gave the March Fire and EMS reports.

Mike gave updates on all equipment and vehicle repairs that have been performed and said the fire escape across the street at the apartment building that was asked about by a resident was inspected and it does work.

Mike talked about grant opportunities being pursued and said there are 2 new people he would like to hire.

Randal Almendinger made a motion to hire Ken Bidlack and Jason Cunningham. 2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Randal Almendinger made a motion to add a rate of pay to the pay scale of \$.50 less than basic EMT rate for Jason Cunningham because he does not hold certification of EMT.

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

Bruce Lane made a motion to approve the purchase of uniforms as Mike sees fit. 2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Mike said they would like to start having the annual servicing of the generator done in house and every other year have the load testing done.

Mike said they need to order a pallet of foam for the new truck.

Bruce Lane talked about the products he would like to use on the roads when road maintenance is performed this year and listed the roads he would like to do.

Randal Almendinger made a motion to ask the prosecutor to draw up the advertisement for road bids for 2018 and to contact the engineer for estimates for the following roads: Bracken, Davison Lane, Mojene Lane, Legend Lane, Stonestrow roads, and Shackelford.

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

Trustees and audience members discussed the fire levy and trustees gave the reasoning for asking for an increase.

#32-2018 Randal Almendinger made a resolution to have put on the November ballot a 4 mill replacement levy to take the place of the 3 mill levy expiring in December.

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

Randal Almendinger discussed banking options that the trustees have looked at and feels that Huntington has the most to offer.

#33-2018 Randal Almendinger made a resolution to go with Huntington bank as the township's financial institution for the checking account.

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

Checks were signed.
Meeting was adjourned 9:36 P.M.