

**Albion Town Council  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, October 11, 2022, 6:00 pm  
Albion Municipal Building  
211 East Park Drive, Albion, IN, 46701  
Teleconference via GoToMeeting  
(Meeting ID# 280137509)**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Town Council President Vicki Jellison called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ATTENDANCE:** Vicki Jellison, President  
Don Shultz, Vice-President  
John Morr, Member  
Darold Smolinske, Member

**ABSENT:** Zane Gray, Member

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Carol A. Selby, Clerk-Treasurer  
Jacob Ihrle, Town Manager  
Matt Getts, KPC Media  
Scott Cole, Police Dept

Terry Forker, Water/Wastewater Depts  
Casey Myers, Park Cemetery Depts  
Corey Miller, Street/Cemetery Depts

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes from the regular meeting on September 13, 2022 were approved. Motion by Shultz, seconded by Smolinske, carried 4 Ayes, 0 Nays.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Councilmember Zane Gray was ill and unable to attend tonight's meeting.
2. Upcoming Events:
  - Noble House "Color a Brighter Future" 5k/1mi Run – October 15, 2022, 8am-noon
  - Albion STAR Team "Scare on the Square" – October 28, 2022, 5:30-7:30pm
  - Halloween "Trick or Treating" – October 31, 2022, 5-7pm
  - Albion Chamber of Commerce Halloween Party – October 31, 2022, 7-8:30pm
3. Council President Vicki Jellison appointed Terri Maggert to serve on the BZA.
4. Council extended condolences to the Norman "Gene" Lock family. Lock recently passed away. He was a former Albion Town Marshal and long-time Albion employee, serving in multiple departments over many decades.
5. Council extended condolences to employee Aaron McGinnis and his family on the recent passing of his grandmother.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:**

**Overtime Report** – Jellison acknowledged receipt of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Overtime Report and thanked department heads for keeping overtime hours as few as possible.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Park/Cemetery Depts** - Council acknowledged receipt of the monthly report. Council voted to grant permission for Superintendent Casey Myers to proceed with obtaining quotes for replacing a tractor and three lawn mowers. The equipment is used for maintaining Park, Cemetery, and various areas around Town. Plans are to have quotes back for council consideration at the

November 8, 2022 council meeting. Councilmembers are invited to attend a Public Hearing on the proposed Master Plan for the Parks Department to be held at the Albion Park Board Meeting scheduled for November 14, 2022. New Christmas lights have been ordered. Development of the Remote-Control vehicle track is progressing at Hidden Diamonds Park. The Albion Auto Parts Store is designing the project.

**Street/Cemetery Depts** - Council acknowledged receipt of the monthly report. Superintendent Corey Miller provided a summary of the department's activities. There were three burials last month at Rose Hill Cemetery. Difficulty obtaining concrete has slowed East Hazel, South Liberty, and West Jefferson Street Projects. Leaf pick-up started this week. Miller reported the 20-year-old disc mower that is pulled behind the tractor and used to cut grass along streets and the wastewater ponds has been problematic and is currently down for repairs again. The department is having difficulty obtaining parts to fix the mower. Council gave Miller their blessing to solicit quotes to replace the disc mower. Council will consider the quotes at a future meeting.

**Water/Wastewater Depts** - Council acknowledged receipt of the monthly report. Superintendent Terry Forker provided an update on the Ammonia Treatment Project. Sixty-eight aeration discs have been installed and the blower is up and running. There are a few items on their punch list for Clean Infusion to resolve, but the system is operating, and it is hoped it will work to bring ammonia levels in compliance with IDEM limitations. Council voted to approve a recommendation by Terry Forker to purchase a 2020 Ford F-450 Cab & Chassis from City Ford in the amount of \$38,120.25 (includes trading in the 2004 and 2008 Chevrolet trucks valued at a combined \$11,000). Motion made by Shultz, seconded by Smolinske, carried 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. Water Funds will be used for the purchase. Quotes for installing equipment on the Chassis will be solicited and considered at a later date. Quotes were also solicited from Max Platt, Burnworth Zollars, and Bob Thomas Ford. However, those dealers indicated they do not have a truck in stock, and do not know when Ford will be accepting orders for 2023 trucks.

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Approval of Special Event Application – Albion Chamber - Christmas in the Village**

Council voted to approve the Special Event Application. Motion by Morr, seconded by Shultz, carried 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. The event is scheduled for Friday, December 2, 2022.

**2. Approval of 2023 Holiday Schedule – Resolution No. 2022-14**

Council voted to approve *Resolution No. 2022-14, A Resolution Designating 2023 Holiday and Office Closings for Town of Albion Employees*. Motion made by Smolinske, seconded by Morr, carried 4 Ayes, 0 Nays.

**APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & PAYROLL VOUCHERS:** Shultz motioned to approve Accounts Payable & Payroll Vouchers as of Oct 6, & Oct 11, 2022. Smolinske seconded, carried 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, attested by Carol A. Selby.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to be brought before council in regular session, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm. Motion by Smolinske, seconded by Morr, carried 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. The next regularly scheduled meeting is to be held on October 25, 2022 at 6:00 pm, at the Albion Municipal Building, 211 East Park Drive, Albion, IN.

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VICKI E. JELLISON, PRESIDENT

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JOHN D. MORR, MEMBER

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DONALD J. SHULTZ, VICE-PRESIDENT

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DAROLD R. SMOLINSKE, MEMBER

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ZANE M. GRAY, MEMBER

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
CAROL A. SELBY, CLERK-TREASURER