

The October 10, 2023 meeting of St. Albans Township was called to order by Chairman, Randal Almendinger.

All trustees and fiscal officer were present.

The minutes of the September 12th meeting were approved.

The fiscal Officer read fund balances to date.

Steve Samuels from the City of Johnstown spoke about partnering with Liberty, Monroe, Granville and St. Albans to serve as the utility provider for this portion of Licking County. They still have some details to work out but would like to see what the interest/commitment is for a Memo of Understanding, and he would like St. Albans to agree to let Johnstown and Granville to be the service provider.

Audience members asked questions.

Ben Zanks asked about the Martin violations and landscape plans, saying its been a year now and nothing has gotten done.

Woody Fox said they are still working on the landscape plan and they stopped building the structure. He is trying to work with them so it doesn't go to the county and cost county resources, and if it does go to the county it will go on a priority list and wont get handled.

Stephanie McManus from Neighborhood Strategies gave an update on what her and Jim Lenner have been working on:

Water and Sewer group are still meeting and working on a draft MOU, they are comparing framework comp plan to St. Albans comp plan and they will have an employee handbook ready for trustees in November.

Dave Sapp said road signs have been getting stolen and shot up at Battee and Lobdell. He and Ryan are still mowing roads and they are adding more reflectives to stop signs, and getting up to code on safety issues for insurance.

Dave spoke about conversations he has had with the engineers office about where to put a driveway for people who want to build a house on Battee Rd. without being in the flood zone.

Woody Fox gave the September zoning report. Also said that the Shelly Company has removed the foundation that they were in violation for on the Geiger property, so they are no longer in violation.

Ann Lodder said she would like the trustees to speak at the Planning Commission meeting on November 20th, not for or against the asphalt plant but on how it will affect Racoon Creek.

Mike Theisen gave the September Fire and EMS reports.

The department is switching from Motorola to Kenwood radios, being approx. \$2000.00/unit cheaper and they have approx. 37 units.

Levy paperwork needs to be to the board of elections by December 20th, so trustees need to make decisions on millage.

Bruce Lane made a motion to have an emergency meeting on October 11th at 6:00 P.M. at the firehouse Community Room for the purpose of talking about and making decisions on fire levy information.

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

Randal Almendinger said he met with our property and casualty insurance carrier OTARMA and there are 18 violations in the township they would like addressed and are giving 90 days to do so.

Randal Almendinger said Peter Griggs is ready to start the TIFF.

Randal Almendinger said on the November ballot will be a gas and electric aggregate, vote yes if you want to save money.

Large Solar farms were talked about with Bill Bogantz from Liberty Township, they are requesting their entire township be exempt from them.

Meeting was adjourned 8:45P.M

EMERGENCY MEETING

The October 11, 2023 emergency meeting of St. Albans Township was called to order by Chairman, Randal Almendinger.

All trustees and fiscal officer were present.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the fire budget and levy.

Mike Theisen presented a 20 year forecast of need of capital projects. The total was 29 million dollars.

Mike wanted to emphasize that this doesn't mean the taxpayer will have to pay for this. We will look towards businesses, JEDS, TIFFS and other mechanisms to absorb the cost. Mike does not want to nickel and dime the tax payers and pester them for levies.

Mike would like to ask for a 10 mill permanent levy to be put on the ballot.

We currently have 3 levies, a 1.5 mill permanent and 2 others non permanent, 1 of which will fall off at the end of this year and the other one will expire next year. It is undecided if that one will fall off or renewed.

#36-2023 Randal Almendinger made a resolution to put a 10 mill permanent levy on the March ballot for the fire department.

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

Bruce Lane made a motion to adjourn the emergency meeting. 2nd by Randal Almendinger. Roll call: Jean Morrison -yes, Bruce Lane-yes, Randal Almendinger -yes. Meeting adjourned 6:55 P.M.