

**Albion Borough  
Council Meeting  
September 23, 2021**

**PRESENT** President G. Hemmis, James, Vice President Jason Harayda, Jim Vorse, Rebecca Marshall, Brett Hall, Borough Manager Gary Wells, Attorney Betza.  
Absent: Peter Rotko, Mayor Will Rogers

**CALL TO ORDER** 6pm

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Approve  
09/23/21  
Agenda** **J. Harayda:** motion to approve 09/23/21 agenda  
**J. Vorse:** second motion  
**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passed

**Approve  
of Minutes  
08/26/21** **B. Hall:** motion to approve Council Meeting minutes 08/26/21  
**J. Vorse:** second motion  
**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passed

**Approve  
of Minutes  
09/09/21** **B. Hall:** motion to approve Council Meeting minutes 09/09/21  
**R. Marshall:** second motion  
**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passed

**Approve  
Purchase  
Order** **R. Marshall:** motion to approve purchase order listing dated September 23, 2021 for a total of one hundred ninety thousand nine hundred ninety-two dollars and forty-seven cents (\$190,192.47).  
**J. Harayda:** second motion  
**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passed

**AVFD** Discussion regarding Albion Volunteer Fire Department wanting to hire 4 fulltime EMTs. **J. Harayda:** We already have West County EMS, are they putting that money towards the right thing? I am having a hard time supporting their plans right now, they don't have long term plans and they are not supporting West County. **J. Vorse:** The grant they are looking at, you have to have an established program for a minimum of eight months prior to applying and you have to be able to support the same staff for so long after the grant is over. **Borough Manager:** We are looking into what is required per the State for the Borough to pay regarding insurance. **G. Hemmis:** Bruce verbally communicated that they are hiring four EMTs. **J. Harayda:** We need to support West County. **G. Hemmis:** We are members of West County. We will hold a meeting on September 27<sup>th</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup> and it is imperative that AVFD is present.

**Committee Reports** **Parks Committee:** Grant awarded, working with DCNR to move forward  
**Finance Committee:** Working on budget and the Library's needs for grants  
**Public Works Committee:** N/A

**Albion Library** National Fuel removed a section of piping and did not replace which caused the Library to flood. A company came in to dry and clean the flooded area. Library was able to re-open on Monday. National Fuel did come back and replace the section of piping they removed. National Fuel has accepted responsibility of the flooding. **B. Hall:** We need a resolution stating the Library is able to occupy the building for a minimum of fifty years.

**Albion Library** **Erin Tate, Librarian:** discuss improvements being made at the library, awarded grants, and grants being worked on. Library Board members would like a sub-committee to assist in the grant process.

**Public Comment:** **Laurie Vorse, 236 East Pearl Street:** It is not going to work with Albion Volunteer Fire Department. They do not want to deal with the fire side. What does this say to the citizens? They are not concerned with the citizens safety. Albion Volunteer Fire Department does not support West County and they should.

**PSAB** Fall Conference October 8-10, 2021 at the Bayfront Landing in Erie, anyone interested in attending please let the Borough Manager know.

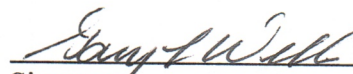
**Submitted Letters** Jacqueline Ksenich, not present at meeting  
Laurie Vorse, present at meeting  
Donald Bambarger, present at meeting

**Motion MMO Vacant Council Member Seat** **B. Hall:** motion to accept Donald Bambarger to fill the vacant Council member seat through December 2021.  
**J. Harayda:** second motion  
**Vote: R. Marshall:** Yes, **J. Vorse:** No, **B. Hall:** Yes, **J. Harayda:** Yes, **G. Hemmis:** Yes. Motion passed, 4-1.

**Motion Ordinance No: 03-2021** **B. Hall:** motion to approve Ordinance No: 03-2021, to adopt the Adoption Code for the Borough of Albion  
**J. Harayda:** second motion  
**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passed

**Motion E-Signature Resolution** **J. Harayda:** motion to approve E-Signature Resolution for grants  
**J. Vorse:** second motion  
**Vote:** All in favor. Motion passed

**Adjourn Meeting** Motion made by **B. Hall**, seconded by **J. Vorse** to adjourn the meeting at 7:08pm. All in favor.  
Motion carried.  
Minutes submitted by Angela Telega

  
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Signature

10/28/2021  
Date