

SOUTH ALBURGH FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2 REGULAR MEETING

Monday, October 21, 2019 at 6:30 PM

Alburgh Municipal Conference Room

Present: Prudential Committee Members Alton Bruso, John Fitzgerald, Tony Speranza
Treasurer Richard Ernst
Admin. Assistant Danielle James Choiniere

Guests Brian Bessette, Cheryl Dunn, Charles Kelly, Michele Kelly

Meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM by Chair John Fitzgerald.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Brian Bessette wanted his 9/16/2019 email mentioned within the minutes. He also wanted another email sent 10/18/2019 referenced as well. Some board members could not recall it but would double check.

Alton Bruso motioned to approve September's regular meeting minutes. Tony Speranza seconded, all in favor.

VISITOR INPUT

Brian Bessette was present to speak for himself and looked at Phase II's Addendum to the Basis of Final Design. He recommended another interest survey go to Route 129 as demographics have changed and he felt the study was biased, that DuBois and King favored certain options more than others. He would like to see the cost break down and Danielle said she could send him a copy. The board could apply for another grant to research Phase III. He also asked about ledge studies. John replied ledge is costly to get through, both for the district water lines and for homeowners to have to install connections to the main line. Tony stated the engineers weren't biased, they actually recommended the cheaper option. Brian stated our president has been pushing for infrastructure improvements and this fits right in. The board can look into other grants for further engineering. New resident Aimee Wilson, Brian said, can help with grant applications. The board expressed they could always use volunteers and feel free to look at their file cabinet for more info.

Cheryl Dunn, Village trustee, wanted to know more about the Interlocal Agreement schedule. The two boards can meet at their convenience.

TREASURER'S REPORT / WARRANT

Tony Speranza motioned to approve treasurer's report. Alton Bruso seconded, all in favor. So approved.

People's United Bank	\$73,986.53 (Operating Account)
	\$1,004.02 (Project Account)
	\$5,491.53 (Savings/Capital Funds)
NorthCountry Federal Credit Union	\$88,392.40 (Savings/Capital Funds)
	\$4,632.49 (Savings)
	\$6.16 (Regular Shares)

\$360.66 Admin Assistant's paycheck for September

\$125 & \$270 for Endyne for testing

\$51,227.99 annual loan sum

\$4,057.56 to Alburgh Village for Q3 water bill
\$60 to Alburgh Village for water on/offers
\$19.68 for Q3 withholdings to State of Vermont
\$242.94 to IRS for Q3 withholdings

John Fitzgerald motioned to approve invoices totaling **\$56,363.83**. Tony Speranza seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

WATER OR OPERATIONS ISSUES/ CORRESPONDANCE/ MISC

The district will need to borrow \$2 million dollars to pay the loan before we get reimbursed from the grant. They are 0% loans for at least the first to legs of the expansion. Wetland delineation needed to be done before snow, as well as disinfection byproduct study, ledge probes and field studies on Middle Road. They'll have to coordinate with VTrans to work within Route 2's right-of-way. Engineer Charles Goodling said bidding and construction will happen next year.

Alton Brusco motioned to accept \$37,228 for ongoing engineering costs. Tony Speranza seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

John Fitzgerald motioned to adjourn meeting at 8:34 PM. Tony Speranza seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Danielle James Choiniere

These minutes are draft only, not slated for approval until the next board meeting of November 18, 2019.