

SOUTH ALBURGH FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, December 18, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Present: Prudential Committee Members John FitzGerald, Alton Bruso, Tony Speranza via phone
Admin. Assistant Danielle James Choiniere

Guests: Cheryl Dunn, Zoe Brosky

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chair John FitzGerald.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

None.

MINUTES

Alton Bruso wanted to add at the last meeting when discussing finding more board members, he wanted to underscore the district had trouble finding prudential committee members once in 10-years. Others at the meeting disagreed. November's meeting did mention Tony Speranza was there by phone when he was present in person. John FitzGerald motioned to approve 11/20's minutes, Tony seconded, Alton opposed. Minutes approved.

VISITOR INPUT

None.

TREASURY REPORT & WARRANTS

Bank balances were read. Two new Phase II hook-ups were received. John FitzGerald motioned to approve the report. Alton Bruso seconded, all in favor. So approved.

Invoices were as follows: \$25 Endyne, \$167.17 for annual website hosting, \$840 in attorney fees, \$346.25 to VLCT insurers, John FitzGerald motioned to approve bills totaling \$1,378.42. Alton Bruso seconded, all in favor. So approved.

PHASE II UPDATES

Easement Updates- For the final easement needed, the board wanted to notify the landowner one last time. Alton Bruso presented the Hansen easement he obtained and delivered for recording in Alburgh's land records.

WATER OR OPERATIONS ISSUES/ PHASE III/ CORRESPONDANCE/ MISC

Zoe Brosky consolidated hook-up forms and changed them on the website. Discussion occurred on another virtual newsletter updating Phase II status. Cheryl Dunn suggested the board vote to allow Zoe Brosky access to the district email to be able to look at the contacts to send the newsletter. John FitzGerald motioned to allow Zoe Brosky to get email access. Alton Bruso seconded, all in favor. Motion carried. Ideally the newsletter will be sent in January 2024.

5-Member Board- Alton Bruso presented a petition of over 40 fire district residents who signed in support of a 5-member board. John FitzGerald had considered the idea of a larger board and had questions like the purpose of more members, wanting them to be qualified and that he'd hope Alton would lead a committee on Phase III. Alton felt the current board of three was a one-man show and that the board should be made up of people all over the district and not just certain locations/phases. The other two board members wanted to address the petition at the next annual meeting next July/August. State statute may call for an earlier response, however. The board will look into their obligations.

ADJOURN

John FitzGerald motioned to adjourn at 7:25 PM. Tony Speranza seconded, all in favor. So adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Danielle James Choiniere

These minutes are draft only, not slated for approval until the next board meeting in December.

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