

SOUTH ALBURGH FIRE DISTRICT NO. 2
JOINT MEETING WITH ALBURGH VILLAGE TRUSTEES
Thursday, April 20, 2017
6:30 PM
Alburgh Town Conference Room

Present: Prudential Committee Members John Fitzgerald, Alton Bruso, Treasurer Richard Ernst
Admin. Assistant Danielle James Choiniere, Village Trustees Nathan Gotshall, Beth Savage, Pat Hayes, Jim
Ross, Water Superintendent Jason Beaulac, Village Clerk Ameer Gotshall

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Village Chair Nathan Gotshall.

ADJUST AGENDA

No adjustments.

VISITOR INPUT

No visitors.

ALLOCATION OF O&M EXPENSES/ SET RATES FOR FY 2017-18

Alton asked about the system of using ERUs to determine debt service. After being informed the school was one ERU, he pointed out how that wasn't a good method and calculations should be based on water usage. Ameer said that's how it's written in the village and district ordinances and to change it, the ordinances would need to be amended. Jason explained the engineers suggested ERUs, to which Alton said engineers can be wrong. Alton also suggested the district should be paying a portion of all village costs, not just the ones shared with SAFD2. Jason stated the village would probably not have any problem with that, but district users may.

Richard looked at the water rate calculations and agreed with the calculations. The charge of water the village will charge the district is \$3.14 per 1,000 gallons, down from \$3.73. The debt portion the district directly pays to the village increased from \$1,971.07 to \$2,222.03 per quarter. This is to help cover the engineering costs of bidding for the water tower's painting and resurfacing. Ameer said the loan duration is five years.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT DISCUSSION

John said the Agreement looked OK, as well as the numbers. He asked about the district's increase in sampling and inferred it was because sampling deadlines were missed. Jason said it was because the chlorination byproducts were too high.

Jason said turn on and turn offs were going well, he's getting a better feel on the status of district users.

The district thought to try to amend the Interlocal Agreement to pay on usage instead of number of ERUs. Alton said it would be about 5K less for the district to pay the village.

FINAL MOTION & ADJOURN

John motioned to accept the 2017-18 fiscal year rates furnished by the village: quarterly debt service amount of \$2,222.03, and \$3.14 per 1,000 gallons of water used. Alton seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

Nathan Gotshall motioned to adjourn at 7:21 PM, Pat Hayes seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Danielle James Choiniere

Please note the above minutes HAVE NOT been approved. Approval or changes to the Minutes will be addressed at the next regular meeting currently scheduled for May 15, 2017.