

Alburgh School Board
Alburgh Community Education Center
January 18, 2016

Present: For the Board, Chairman Michael Savage, Mr. Rene "Skip" Prairie, Mr. Trevor Creller, John Goodrich (recording); for the Administration, Principal James Ross, Superintendent Barbara Burrington, Business Manager Lynne Carpenter; for the Staff, Custodian Rick Baker

Mr. Savage called the meeting to order at 5:40 pm. *Minutes* of the January 4, 2016 were approved unanimously on a motion by Mr. Prairie (Mr. Creller 2nd)


Mr. Baker presented price quotes from drinking water suppliers, Crystal Rock and W.B. Mason. Mason's costs are significantly lower than Crystal Rock's. (See **Board Action**)


Principal's Report: (See printed version, dated 1/18/2016 and *ACEC PROJECT LIST*) Mr. Ross addressed school day and building changes recommended for future years, GISU In-service, technology needs, Unified Arts and Pre-Kindergarten updates. – Facilities were reviewed by fire departments which informed the Administration and Board of improvements needed. – The *PROJECT LIST* includes ideal short-term/long-term plant modifications recommended by Mr. Ross and his staff. – Behavior Interventionist and substitute needs concluded Mr. Ross's report.

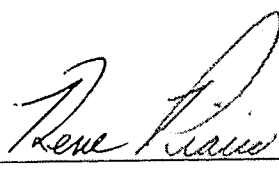
Board Discussion: Ms. Burrington and Ms. Carpenter presented "2017 Alburgh Budget DRAFT (3).xlsx" which details the latest (and final) budget proposal in preparation for the March Town-School Meeting and Vote on February 29 and March 1 this year. (See **Board Action**) – Mr. Prairie and Mr. Goodrich reported that teacher negotiations have begun for a successor Agreement between GISU teachers and school boards. – Our Saturday, January 18, Act 46 open house was reviewed; it was agreed that another will be helpful and informative for the public and that Alburgh may host another such meeting. – Mr. Prairie presented accounts payable as of January, 2016. (See **Board Action**)

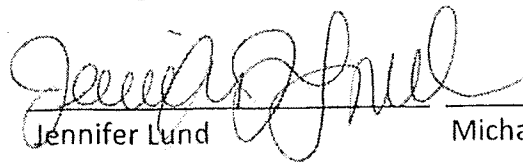
Board Action: Mr. Prairie moved (Mr. Creller 2nd) "to allow the Administration to contract with W.B. Mason for ACEC's drinking water needs." (Unan.) – Mr. Creller moved (Mr. Goodrich 2nd) "to authorize payment of accounts payable as presented and approved." (Unan.) – Mr. Goodrich moved (Mr. Creller 2nd) "to approve and sign *Article #1 Alburgh Town School District* budget for School Year 2016-2017." (Unan.)

Respectfully submitted,


John Goodrich (recorder)


Trevor Creller


Rene "Skip" Prairie


Jennifer Lund

Michael Savage, Chairman