

Almira Township
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2020

I. Call Meeting to Order

Supervisor Roper calls the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Present: M. Roper, M. Therrien, MG Rineer, L. Florip, T. Clous.

IV. Additions/Deletions to Meeting Agenda

Add New Business D. Officers Staff Proposal

V. Approval of Meeting Agenda

M Therrien moves to approve. MG Rineer seconds. All ayes.

VI. Approval of Consent Agenda

MG Rineer moves to approve. M Therrien seconds. All ayes.

VII. Treasurer's Report

Financial Report is presented and filed.

VIII. Brief Public Input

None

IX. County Commissioner

Art Jeannot gives an update on what is happening at the County Level.

X. Department Heads

Chief Bushee gave the 2019-year end totals for runs. She would like to purchase a monitor for the Ambulance that would help to determine if a patient is to be transported basic or needs ALS. The monitor will send the information directly to the hospital for them to determine this. They have been working on getting Ambulance bids, a 10-year Capital plan for budget time, budget preparations, job descriptions and the rig checks are being done. The Association will be getting the recliners and tables. Someone has also donated 2 televisions. M Roper moves to approve spending up to \$10,000.00 to purchase a Life Pac Monitor. M Therrien seconds. Roll call; Rineer-aye, Florip-aye, Therrien-aye, Clous-aye and Roper-aye; motion passed.

E. Bisler stated that 3 members terms are up. They have new people interested in serving on the Committee who he will be in contact with. The Ransom Lake Beaver issue was discussed and it has been handled. R. Fosgard still wishes to help with the connecting walking path though feels he doesn't have time to commit to the Committee so he will not be seeking reappointment. Jerry wishes to remain on the Committee and would like to focus on the disc golf course.

XI. Village Report

Jim stated that the Village held their budget meeting, it is about the same as last year. Guardrail meeting with Gourdie-Fraser and MDOT with revisions being made to the plan. They are now awaiting approval from MDOT, a completion date is August. The Village is still short on funds for this project and they are seeking funding sources.

XII. Guests

Parshall Tree Care Experts presented what their company does as far as tree maintenance. They do a tree inventory at every site they visit.

XIII. Old Business

None

XIV. New Business

- A. Budget Workshop Dates: The budget workshop was set for Wednesday, January 29th with a back of date if needed of Monday, February 3rd.
- B. Committee Appointments: MG Rineer moves to reappoint Maryanne Bisler to the Recreational Resources committee for two years. T Clous seconds. All ayes. Send R. Fosgard a letter thanking him for serving.
- C. Ambulance Bids: MG Rineer moves to approve the purchasing of a new Ambulance from Demers out of Canada not to exceed \$230,000.00. L Florip seconds. Roll call: Florip-aye, Therrien-aye, Rineer-aye, Clous-aye and Roper-aye; motion passed.
- D. Officers Staff Proposals: Chief Bushee presented 4 job descriptions. The Board would like for the Chief to start thinking of recommendation for these positions with the first appointment being in February with the responsibilities starting April 1st. MG Rineer moves to accept the Officer Staff Proposals as presented. M Therrien seconds. All ayes.

XV. Extended Public Input

Bisler stated that the community lost a great asset with the passing of Dick Carmien.

XVI. Board Comments

M. Therrien comments on Music in the Park. MG Rineer reminds everyone that it's tax time and her deputy has been a help. T Clous is preparing for the March election. L. Florip thanks the FD for all the work they did getting the Ambulance bids. M. Roper he has been compiling budget numbers.

XVII. Adjourn

Adjourned at 8:10 pm until February 10, 2020 at 6 pm