

**Minutes from the  
Almira Township Board Regular Meeting  
March 9, 2015  
7:00 p.m.**

Supervisor Mark Roper called the meeting of the Almira Township Board to order at 7:01 p.m. at the Almira Township Fire & EMS Facility.

Supervisor led the Pledge to the Flag.

Supervisor called for roll call. Members present were: Mark Roper, Mandy Gray Rineer, Tammy Clous, Matt Therrien, and Ann Beaujean.

**Additions/Deletions to Meeting Agenda by Board and Citizens:** Guest: Adam Gandolfi. New Business F. Vacations

**Approval of Meeting Agenda:** *Motion by Rineer, and supported by Therrien, to approve the meeting agenda as amended. All ayes, motion passed.*

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** *Motion by Rineer and supported by Therrien, to approve the consent agenda:*

- I. Approve Regular meeting minutes dated February 9, 2015.
- II. BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF February 2015: None
- III. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CHECKS #'s 35850-35944. SEE CHECK REGISTERS INCLUDED IN PACKET. BILLS AVAILABLE FOR EXAMINATION UPON REQUEST.
- IV. RECEIVE AND FILE THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:  
  
BENZIE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: Included in Packet  
BENZIE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION: Included in Packet  
ALMIRA TOWNSHIP REC. RES.: Included in Packet
- V. MISCELLANEOUS: None
- VI. RECEIVE AND FILE THE FOLLOWING CORRESPONDENCE:

**Brief Public Input:** None

**County Commissioners:** Commissioner Tucker stated that Karl Sparks has been doing a wonderful job and his contract is coming up soon. They wish to renegotiate his contract and hope to make it a longer contract. The new committees are going well and members are getting acquainted with each other. The Maples is still heading in the right direction with a few delays here and there but progress is still being made. The two new sheriff deputies are currently being trained.

**Department Heads:**

- A. **Fire and EMS Department:** The month of February saw 10 total runs; 4 were fire related; 6 were medical, two being non-transport. The LUCAS has arrived and after being in service for 4 hours was used on its first patient. Nick Grzesik demonstrated the LUCAS device for those present.
- B. **Library:** Things are going well and starting to pick up. The Library is happy with the renovations and it gives the library a more open feel.
- C. **Planning Commission:** They held their March meeting and will be attending a training course next week on Lake Shore Zoning.

**Guests:** Adam Gandolfi went over our current insurance policies that we have and answered any question that we had.

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**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- A. General Appropriations Act:** Supervisor Roper read the General Appropriations Act. The resolution was offered by Rineer, and supported by Beaujean. Upon Roll Call Vote: Aye: Clous, Therrien, Rineer, Beaujean and Roper. Nay: none; motion passed.
- B. Regular Meeting Date Resolution:** Supervisor Roper read the regular Meeting Dates resolution. The August 10, 2015 meeting date was changed to August 17, 2015. The amended resolution was offered by Rineer and supported by Therrien. Upon Roll Call Vote, Aye: Therrien, Beaujean, Clous, Rineer, and Roper; Nay: none; motion passed.
- C. Clean-up Day:** Clean-up day will be held Saturday May 2, 2015 from 8 am to 12 pm with a \$20 per load charge. The Veteran Committee and the Fire and EMS Association will be getting together to go over how the donation will be divided.
- D. Cintas Service Agreement:** Motion by Beaujean and supported by Rineer to spend up to \$3000.00 on Township Rugs and to eliminate the Cintas Contract. Upon Roll Call Vote: Aye: Beaujean, Rineer, Clous, Roper; Nay: Therrien; motion passed.
- E. Computers:** Motion by Beaujean and supported by Therrien to spend up to \$1000.00 on a new computer work station to include the tower, shipping and installation. Upon Roll Call Vote: Aye: Therrien, Rineer, Clous, Roper, and Beaujean. Nay: None motion passed.
- F. Vacation:** Motion by Rineer and supported by Therrien to award the two employees in question 1 week of vacation April 1, 2015 and 1 week of vacation on their two year anniversary date for the 2015-16 Fiscal Year and 2 weeks of vacation April 1, 2016 for the 2016-17 fiscal year making their new anniversary date April 1<sup>st</sup>. All ayes motion passed.

**Extended Public Input:** None

**Board Comments:** Rineer stated that tax are complete for the 2014 tax season and thanks all those who paid their taxes on time. Clous reminded all about the upcoming election and said that the Absent Voter Applications are starting to come in.

**Adjourn:** There being no other business the Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Tammy Clous  
Almira Township Clerk