

Almira Township  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
April 13, 2020

I. Call Meeting to Order

Supervisor Roper calls the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

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

IV. Additions/Deletions to Meeting Agenda

Add New Business I. Entrance Sign

V. Approval of Meeting Agenda

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

VI. Approval of Consent Agenda

T. Clous moves to approve. L. Florip seconds. All ayes. Motion passed.

VII. Treasurer's Report

None this month.

VIII. Brief Public Input

None

IX. County Commissioner

Art Jeannot written report.

X. Department Heads

Chief Bushee stated there were 25 runs in March, 14 Medical, 4 Fire, 4 Motor Vehicle Accidents and 3 Smoke Detector Installs. At the house fire on Saturday evening Lt. Fire Fighter/EMT saved the occupants life. She presented a job posting and description. Hoping to get approval for pay. The data was collected shows 53% of our runs are during staffed hours; however Saturday nights are the busiest night that we have. The two fires in the last couple of weeks have raised some concerns with our equipment. It has come to the attention that we need to look at replacing 8 air packs; each one costs \$5000.00-\$6000.00 for used 4500's. 5500's are \$10,000.00-\$12,000.00 new. Looking to write a grant for the cost of these. A 5" supply line is needed to make the Engine most effective costing up to \$3000.00. M. Roper moves to get a 5" hose on the Tanker to hook to the Engine for water supply up to \$2000.00. M. Therrien supports. All ayes motion passed. Looking into 1-50' and 1-25' hose and an adaptor to couple. The Tanker bumper was ripped off at one of the Fire scenes. The Tahoe has two tires that are leaking; all 4 will be replaced at a cost of \$588.00. The Tahoe now seems to have an engine knock. It was taken to Guffey's for diagnosis. B-72 was taken to Guffey's for a possible blown

coolant line and will have its new tires put on while there. The Fire and EMS Department would like to use the remediation building for training purposes. We will discuss this at our June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

XI. Village Report: No report

XII. Guests: None

XIII. Old Business:

A. Clean-up Day: M. Roper moves to cancel for May 2<sup>nd</sup> and will look at rescheduling if possible. M. Therrien supports. All ayes motion passed. Place notice of cancellation on the Website, Facebook and Townhall sign.

XIV. New Business

- A. Red Door April Rent: MG Rineer moves to forgive April rent for the Red Door in the amount of \$350.00. M. Therrien supports. 4 ayes. Florip abstains. Motion passed.
- B. Paying Shirley: M. Rineer moves to pay Shirley Ransom the average hours she works monthly until the Library reopens. T. Clous supports. All ayes motion passed.
- C. Ballot Language: M. Roper moves to send the ballot language to the attorney and to place it on the August ballot. M. Therrien supports motion passed.
- D. Townhall: Call the May reservations and let them know their events are not allowed until the President & Governor lift the restrictions.
- E. Audit: Solicit the 4 Auditors that Mandy has presented via email.
- F. Clam Shell Bagger: M. Roper moves to purchase the Clam Shell Bagger from Ferguson's not to exceed \$3500.00. M. Rineer supports. Roll Call Vote: Therrien-aye, Clous-aye, Rineer-aye, Florip-aye and Roper-aye, motion passed.
- G. Depository Letter: Rineer read the letter stating the bank's for the Township for the next fiscal year.
- H. COVID-19: There is nothing further that needs to be addressed at this time.
- I. Entrance Sign: Do not fix the sign at this time. Look at cost of sign like Long Lake Township.

XV. Extended Public Input: People have been complaining about there being a lot of trash in the Park. Bushee would like a copy of the approved budget.

XVI. Board Comments

MG Rineer stated that the Village Meeting is tomorrow night in Burnett Park. As a Public Body we cannot cancel a regular scheduled meeting. We are following protocol. Part of OMA. We would have to make sure that the entire public would be able to have access to the meeting which we cannot do electronically. M. Roper thanked the Fire and EMS Department for their help setting up for the meeting and for all they do for the community. L. Florip Thanks the Fire and EMS for all they have done.

XVII. Adjourn

Adjourned at 8:20 pm until May 11, 2020 at 6 pm