

**Minutes from the
Almira Township Board Regular Meeting
October 8, 2018
6:00 p.m.**

Supervisor Roper called the meeting of the Almira Township Board to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Almira Township Fire & EMS Facility.

Supervisor led the Pledge to the Flag.

Clerk called the roll call. Members present were: Mark Roper, Mandy Gray Rineer, Tammy Clous, Lori Florip and Matt Therrien.

Additions/Deletions to Meeting Agenda by Board and Citizens: Guest: Jamie Martin

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

Approval of Consent Agenda: *Motion by* Therrien and supported by Clous, to approve the consent agenda. All ayes motion passed:

I. Approve Regular/Special meeting minutes dated September 5 & 10, 2018.

II. BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF September 2018: None

III. APPROVE PAYMENT OF CHECKS #'s 38420-38469. SEE CHECK REGISTERS INCLUDED INPACKET. 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
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT	Included in Packet

V. MISCELLANEOUS: None

VI. RECEIVE AND FILE THE FOLLOWING CORRESPONDENCE: None

Treasurer's Report: Filed

Brief Public Input: None

County Commissioners: Commissioner Jeannot presented report.

Department Heads: Fire and EMS Department: Chief Adams stated that there were 27 runs in September; 16 EMS, 8 transports, 8 non-transports, 11 fire calls, 3 assists, and 2 missed. We are about the same run volume total this year as last year. There is ladder testing and pump testing coming up. The 800 MHz train the trainer has been completed. The departments can now be trained in how to use the new equipment. The association is having their Trunk or Treat on Halloween. He has set up a meeting with Tom King of Benzie EMS. Recreational Resources-Bisler stated that they have discussed moving forward on adding a pickle ball court possibly on the tennis court. Randy is working on the non-motorized trail between the Village Park and the park here. Looking into getting a projector to do movies in the park with a start of using the pavilion. Jerry stated that the disc golf course is complete they are now working on signs.

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Village: President Sturmer: The new cameras are up in the park. Tree work of 8 trees will begin that need removal. There is a new Planning Commission Chair, Chrisanne Timm. The Planning Commission voted to form a committee to focus on Burnette Park and the non-motorized trail.

Guests: A. Jamie Martin: Horse North Rescue is now in our Township. They are funded strictly by donations and grants. They are looking to apply for the 2% Tribal Grant but need a local unit of government to apply on their behalf. They will be writing the grant however we would need to submit and administer the funds. They will provide the reports for the Grant for us to submit on how the funds were spent.

Old Business:

- A. FEMA Grant:** Getting closer to the completion of this grant.
- B. Fire Committee:** No meeting

New Business:

- A. Red Door/Library Side Entrance:** Discussion took place on option for a cover over the side entrance. Lori abstained from this discussion. Motion by Rineer and seconded by Therrien to have Ryan move forward with option number 2 as presented with a cost not to exceed \$1000.00. Upon roll call vote: Rineer-aye Florip-abstained, Clous-aye, Therrien-aye and Roper-aye; motion passed.
- B. Zoning Administrator Hours and Pay:** Roger is willing to come in on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. We would like to increase his pay from \$200.00 per pay period to \$300.00 per pay period when he is in the office 2 afternoons per week and drop back to \$200 per pay when he is here less than 2 afternoons per week. Motion by Roper and supported by Rineer to approve the \$100 additional per pay for increased hours as needed for the Zoning Administrator with the understanding that when not here the increased hours he would be at \$200.00 per pay. Upon roll call vote: Therrien-aye, Clous-aye, Florip-aye, Rineer-aye and Roper-aye; motion passed.
- C. November 6th Election:** Motion by Therrien and supported by Florip to approve the recommendation as presented by the Election Commission. All ayes motion passed.

Extended Public Input: None

Board Comments: Therrien spoke with Randy on what the township did as far as its involvement in Pearl Lake and Ann Lake in regard to invasive species. Clous stated that absent voter ballots are being sent out with 350 out so far. Florip has met with Randy about the non-motorized trail. Roper stated that the Men's Group will be serving hot dogs at Trunk or Treat.

Adjourn: There being no other business the Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

Tammy Clous
Almira Township Clerk