

Almira Township

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

August 8, 2022

I. Supervisor Roper **calls the meeting to order at 6 pm** at the Almira Township Hall 19639 Maple Street, Lake Ann

II. Pledge to the Flag Recited

III. Roll Call

Present: Mandy Gray Rineer, Tammy Clous, Lori Florip, Mark Roper, Matt Therrien

IV. Additions/Deletions to Meeting Agenda: Under New Business, item A, add an “s” to the word Appointment as there is now more than one appointment.

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

VI. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion by Rineer, supported by Therrien, to approve the consent agenda as presented. All ayes, motion passed.

VII. Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer MG Rineer presents the Financial Report end of July-2022.

VIII. Brief Public Input: None

IX. County Commissioners

Commissioner Jeannot furnished a written report and was available for any questions.

X. Dept. Heads

Recreational Resources Committee Chairperson Jerry Morse updated the Board on this committee’s meetings.

Chief Drury stated that there were 38 calls in the month of July; 28 ambulance requests in Almira Township, 3 fire-related incidents, 2 assists to Benzie County EMS, 2 assists to Inland Township, 1 assist to Long Lake Township, 1 assist to Cedar Area FD, and 1 assist to Glen Lake FD.

XI. Village report: Village meeting will be Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 6 pm at the Almira Township Hall in the Village of Lake Ann.

XII. Guests *None*

XIII. Old Business

A. Mistwood Greens: No update

B. Master Plan:

Florip stated that this is still being worked on.

C. Commercial Lease:

This was presented for review of the changes after Attorney review.

XIV. New Business

A. Fire and EMS Appointments: Fire and EMS Chief Drury presented the Board with information on two individuals. *Motion by Rineer, seconded by Therrien, to approve Aiden Waddle to the roster of the Fire & EMS Department as a probationary member. All ayes, motion passed. Motion by Rineer, seconded by Clous, to approve Devin MacDonald to the roster of the Fire & EMS Department as a probationary member pending results from tests and back ground checks. All ayes, motion passed.*

B. Fire and EMS Resignation: Fire and EMS Chief Drury presented the Board with a resignation letter from Andrew Veith. *Motion by Rineer, seconded by Clous, to accept the resignation from the Fire and EMS Department of Andrew Veith. All ayes, motion passed.*

C. Resolution #08-1: Clerk Clous read resolution #08-1. *Motion by Clous, seconded by Rineer, to adopt Resolution #08-1 as amended. Roll call vote was as follows: Rineer, aye; Clous, aye; Therrien, aye; Florip, aye; Roper, aye. All ayes, no nays, no one absent, Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.*

D. Move in the Park: Discussion took place. *Motion by Rineer, seconded by Therrien, to approve up to \$500.00 for a movie license for a movie to be shown on Friday, August 26, 2022. Roll call vote was as follows: Clous, aye; Therrien, aye; Florip, aye; Rineer, aye; Roper, aye. All ayes, no nays, no one absent, motion passed.*

XV. Extended Public Input: Betsy Coffia, candidate for State Representative in the 103rd District, introduced herself and gave a short presentation of her background. Bill Haggard thanked Betsy for attending this meeting. Jerry Morse stated that there was going to be a celebration of Billy Morse turning 100 years old in September at the V.F.W. Hall in Traverse City.

XVI. Board Comments:

Therrien reminded people that Music in the Park is being held on Saturday, August 27, 2022.

Florip thanked the community for the support.

Rineer thanked the election workers for the great job done at the Primary election. She also thanked the residents for the renewal of the Fire and EMS millage.

Clous also thanked the election workers for all their work. She would like to see a sign for the township office put up for the public to know which building is the office.

Roper stated that Almira Township currently has two fully accredited assessors and that a transition plan will be coming in the next few months. He also stated that discussion about changing the entrance to the township office/park will be held over the next couple of months.

XVII. Adjourn: *Supervisor Roper adjourns the meeting at 7:05 pm*