

Almira Township

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2022

I. Supervisor m. Roper calls the meeting to order at 6 pm

II. Roper leads the Pledge to the Flag

III. Roll Call

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

Absent: None

IV. Additions/Deletions to Meeting Agenda: *New Business F. Fire and EMS Building Repair*

V. Approval of Meeting Agenda

MG Rineer moves to approve the agenda as amended. T. Clous seconds. All ayes. Motion passes

VI. Approval of Consent Agenda

MG Rineer moves to approve the consent agenda as presented. T. Clous seconds. All ayes. Motion passes

VII. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer MG Rineer presents the Financial Report ending 01-31-2022.

VIII. Brief Public Input: *E. Bisler stated that the Almira Historical Society would be interested in the chairs from the townhall once we surplus them. Rebecca Hubers- Benzie County Emergency Manager- Presented a map for review for areas we feel may be hazardous areas.*

Public Hearing: Opened at 6:06 pm. The Salary Resolutions and Truth and Taxation were read and Proposed Budget was presented. Resolution 2-2022 #1 was offered by MG Rineer and supported by T. Clous; Roll Call Vote: Aye- Rineer, Clous, Florip, Therrien and Roper. Nay: None; Resolution 2-2022 #2 was offered by T. Clous and supported by M. Therrien; Roll Call Vote: Aye: Therrien, Florip, Clous and Roper; Nay: None; Abstain- Rineer; Resolution 2-2022 #3 was offered by MG Rineer and supported by M. Therrien; Roll Call Vote: Aye: Florip, Therrien, Rineer and Roper; Nay: None; Abstain: Clous; Resolution 2-2022 #4 was offered by MG Rineer and supported by M. Therrien; Roll Call Vote: Aye: Clous, Florip, Rineer and Therrien; Nay: None; Abstain: Roper. All Resolutions passed. Public Hearing Closed at 6:18 pm.

IX. County Commissioners

Commissioner Jeannot furnished a written report.

X. Dept. Heads

Chief Drury presents his report on paper and orally. The Fire/EMS Dept responded to 22 calls in January. This included 11 ambulance requests within the township, 2 motor vehicle accidents, 1chimney fire, 2 misc. incident, 2 assists to Inland Township, 1 assist to Homestead Township and 3 assists to Benzie County EMS. Updates were given on grants, training, vehicles and personnel as well.

Chairperson Bisler stated that the Recreational Resources Committee talked about the changes to the bylaws, updating the recreation plan and the walking path. Elmer let the Board know that he will be resigning his position on the committee after their February meeting.

XI. Village report: *President Timm stated that the Village has adopted their 2022-2023 Fiscal Year Budget. Kris Marks was appointed as the Park Administrator, nonmotorized signs have been order for the park, the council approved paving projects, tree trimming projects as well as moving of the Village Kiosk.*

XII. Guests None

XIII. Old Business

A. Mistwood Greens

Todd Millar sent an email update on the Quiet Title action. Will get clarification that all the parcels we acquired are cleared.

B. Master Plan

Update was given.

C. Committee Appointment

MG Rineer moves to appoint C.J. Sierzputowski to the Board of Review. T. Clous seconds. All ayes motion passed. T. Clous moves to reaffirm Barb Hood and Amber Pomper to the Board of Review. L. Florip seconds. All ayes, motion passed.

XIV. New Business

A. Audit

The Board has directed Rineer and Clous to reach out to at least three firms for bids.

B. Aquatic Species

MG Rineer moves to sign a three-year agreement with the Conservation District for \$1000.00 per year for the AISPP. M. Therrien seconds. Roll Call Vote: Clous-aye, Rineer-aye, Therrien-aye, Florip-aye and Roper-aye; motion passed.

C. Fire and EMS Resignation

MG Rineer moves to accept the resignation of Jerry Hendrix from the fire and EMS Department with regrets. T. Clous seconds. All ayes motion passed.

D. Recreational Resources Bylaw Amendment

T. Clous moves to adopt the amended Recreational Resources Bylaws. M. Therrien seconds. Roll Call Vote: Rineer-aye, Therrien-aye, Clous-aye, Florip-aye and Roper-aye; motion passed.

E. Village Kiosk

M. Therrien moves to allow the Village to put the kiosk on the Townhall Ramp. MG Rineer seconds. All ayes motion passed.

F. Fire and EMS Building Repairs

MG Rineer moves to accept the proposal from Archer for the Fire and EMS Building water damage repairs not to exceed \$3000.00. Roll Call Vote: Clous-aye, Florip-aye, Therrien-aye, Rineer-aye and Roper-aye; motion passed.

XV. Extended Public Input: None

XVI. Board Comments

L. Florip, MG Rineer and T. Clous all thank Elmer Bisler for all he has done. M. Roper Reminds all we need to start thinking about and discussing what we would like to do with the ARPA funds. He also states that the Health Department will be lifting its mask mandate this week.

XVII. Adjourn: Supervisor Roper adjourns the meeting at **7:15 pm**