

# Almira Township

## Regular Board Meeting Minutes

### April 12, 2021

#### I. Call Meeting to Order

Treasurer MG Rineer calls the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

#### II. Pledge of Allegiance

#### III. Roll Call

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

#### IV. Additions/Deletions to Meeting Agenda: Add New Business H. Firefighter/EMT Resignation I. Youth Baseball

#### V. Approval of Meeting Agenda

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

#### VI. Approval of Consent Agenda

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

#### VII. Treasurer's Report

Financial Report is presented and filed.

#### VIII. Brief Public Input: None

#### IX. County Commissioner: Written Report Reviewed

#### X. Department Heads

Chairman Bisler stated that the Recreational Resources Committee discussed having Ryan grade the Lake Ann Road entrance into Ransom Lake. They were waiting for disc golf sign proofs that they received today. Tom Vinette did walk through Ransom Lake with Ryan. They spoke about a plan for Ransom Lake. They are looking to relocate the Fairy Garden. Going to ask Barry if he still wishes to help with the Trail. Discussed Memorial Benches.

Interim Chief Smith stated there were 15 runs for the month of February. 8 Ambulance, 3 Fire assists 1 to Homestead Township, 1 to Green Lake Township, 1 to Cedar and 3 Long Lake Township. Steve Schroeder is doing well in Fire School. Chief Drury & Smith have been working on a seamless transition. Smith would like to thank the Board for allowing him to serve as Interim Chief.

XI. Village Report: First Street and Reynolds Road paving projects were approved. The projects look to be lower in cost than expected. Parking and Road Striping will be done the end of the month.

XII. Guests: None

XIII. Old Business

- A. **Mistwood Greens:** Discussion took place on Sue's assessments. We would like to hold a special meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 pm to discuss how we wish to move forward.

XIV. New Business

- A. **Roads:** M. Therrien moves to pave Samara Trail as presented for \$23,882.24. MG Rineer seconds. Roll call vote: Florip-aye, Clous-aye, Therrien-aye, Rineer-aye and Roper-aye; motion passed. M. Therrien moves to accept the Benzie County Road Commission bid as presented for the first brining double pass. T. Clous seconds. Roll call vote: Therrien-aye, Clous-aye, Rineer-aye, Florip-aye and Roper-aye; motion passed.
- B. **Depository Letter:** Rineer reads letter stating she wishes to continue to use Honor Bank and Huntington Banks for the Township.
- C. **Disinfection Options:** MG Rineer moves to purchase 2 I-Wave R; one for the Townhall and one for the Library. M. Roper seconds. Roll call vote: Rineer-aye, Clous-abstains, Florip-aye, Therrien-aye and Roper-aye; motion passed.
- D. **Observed Holiday's:** M. Roper moves to amend the Township Handbook to include Easter as an observed holiday. MG Rineer seconds. All ayes; motion passed.
- E. **Meeting Locations:** MG Rineer moves that all Township Meetings be held in the Townhall starting April 22 for the foreseeable future. L. Florip seconds. Roll call vote: Clous-aye, Therrien-aye, Rineer-aye, Florip-aye and Roper-aye; motion passed.
- F. **Lions Club Use of Townhall:** The Board was informed of the Lions future plans for using the Townhall.
- G. **Part-Time Extra Maintenance Help:** We will place an ad on Indeed and in the Record Patriot with an application deadline of May 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm.
- H. **Firefighter/EMT Resignation:** MG Rineer moves to accept the Kyle Gunderson and Sarah Gunderson's resignation for the Fire and EMS Department with regrets. M. Therrien seconds. All ayes-motion passed.
- I. **Youth Baseball/Softball:** Youth Baseball and Softball will be held this year in the park.

XV. Extended Public Input: None

XVI. Board Comments: MG Rineer states that the Chief starts on April 26<sup>th</sup> and that we may receive over \$300,000.00 in stimulus money. L. Florip reminded about clean-up day. M. Roper is glad we are meeting in person.

XVII. Adjourn: Adjourned at 7:00pm until May 10, 2021 at 6 pm