

ALMONT TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JULY 13, 2009

Meeting called to order by Supervisor at 7:00 p.m. at 819 N. Main St., Almont, MI. Members present were Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hoffner, Treasurer Rayl, and Trustees Moore, Sweers, Eschenburg, and Stroup. Also present were approximately 20 visitors. Pledge of Allegiance was said. Supervisor declared the agenda approved as presented.

MOVED BY HOFFNER, SUPPORTED BY SWEERS TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED. Agenda included bills in the amount of \$116,616.54.

MOVED BY HOFFNER, SUPPORTED BY STROUP TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION, WITH ATTORNEY SEIBERT, TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION CONCERNING THE BEHNKE BLIGHT SITUATION. ROLL CALL VOTE: HOFFNER-YES, SWEERS-YES, STROUP-YES, RAYL-YES, MOORE-YES, ESCHENBURG-YES, BOWMAN-YES. MOTION CARRIED. Board went into closed session at 7:02 p.m. Returned to open meeting at 7:27 p.m. **MOVED BY SWEERS, SUPPORTED BY STROUP TO DIRECT TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TO PROCEED, CONSISTENT WITH DISCUSSION HELD IN CLOSED SESSION. CARRIED.**

REPORTS: Fire Dept. report was presented which consisted of several requests by Chief Wayco. **MOVED BY HOFFNER, SUPPORTED BY ESCHENBURG TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF DENNIS HULETT AS CAPTAIN. CARRIED. MOVED BY SWEERS, SUPPORTED BY MOORE TO APPROVE ZACK BERGER & ROSS MANCZYK AS PROBATIONARY FIREFIGHTERS UPON THE PASSING OF THEIR PHYSICALS. CARRIED.** Supervisor recognized Ryan Feys, Dan Bacholzky, and Nick Dudas for the successful completion and passing of Fire Fighter 1&2 classes, and thanked them for their commitment to the township and fire department. Chief Wayco also noted that Tom Quinn was retiring from the fire department after 47 years of service. Police, OEO, Assessor, and Planning Commission reports were presented.

QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: MOVED BY SWEERS, SUPPORTED BY
ESCHENBURG TO APPROVE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE #56, COST
RECOVERY ORDINANCE. ROLL CALL VOTE: RAYL-YES, HOFFNER-
YES, SWEERS-YES, ESCHENBURG-YES, STROUP-YES, MOORE-YES,
BOWMAN-YES. CARRIED. MOVED BY HOFFNER, SUPPORTED BY
ESCHENBURG TO APPROVE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE #57, ALARM
ORDINANCE. ROLL CALL VOTE: SWEERS-YES, HOFFNER-YES, RAYL-
YES, ESCHENBURG-YES, STROUP-YES, MOORE-YES, BOWMAN-YES.
CARRIED.

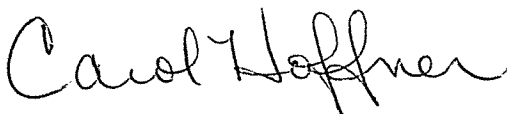
Discussion concerning funding for the School Liaison
Officer. Chief Nael offered 2 different options. One
proposal would provide for 20 hours per week at a cost of
\$24,991.20 and the second proposal for 36 hours per week at
a cost of \$41,950.52. Supervisor Bowman noted that \$46,000
was budgeted for the Liaison Officer for the 2009-2010
school year so this is not additional money. MOVED BY
ESCHENBURG, SUPPORTED BY MOORE TO NOT ACCEPT EITHER
PROPOSED CONTRACT AND DO NOTHING. ROLL CALL VOTE: RAYL-
YES, ESCHENBURG-YES, STROUP-YES, HOFFNER-NO, MOORE-YES,
SWEERS-NO, BOWMAN-NO. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS: Board decided further discussion was needed
on the proposed vacant structure policy.

CORRESPONDENCE:

BOARD DISCUSSION:

MOVED BY MOORE, SUPPORTED BY ESCHENBURG TO ADJOURN.
CARRIED. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.



Carol Hoffner
Almont Township Clerk