

ALMONT TOWNSHIP BOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING  
JUNE 30, 2008

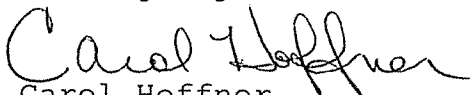
Meeting called to order by Supervisor at 7:00 p.m. at 819 N. Main St., Almont, MI. Members present were Supervisor Groesbeck, Clerk Hoffner, Treasurer Rayl, and Trustees Moore, Sweers, Eschenburg, and Stroup. Also present were approximately 15 visitors. Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Supervisor gave background of the previous meetings concerning full time police protection for the township. Police Chief Nael reported that crime has gone up in the township. Supervisor Groesbeck stated that the board has the ability to reduce the special assessment and still have full time police protection for residents. **MOVED BY GROESBECK, SUPPORTED BY STROUP THAT TOWNSHIP ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE ALMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT AT A FIRST YEAR COST OF \$273,530.51 FOR 24 HOUR POLICE COVERAGE CONTINGENT UPON REVIEW BY TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY. CHIEF WILL COME UP WITH A PROCESS TO TRACK OVERTIME HOURS THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN USED IF TOWNSHIP HAD PARTTIME COVERAGE. ROLL CALL VOTE: RAYL-YES, ESCHENBURG-NO, SWEERS-YES, STROUP-YES, GROESBECK-YES, MOORE-NO, HOFFNER-YES. MOTION CARRIED.**

Supervisor stated that the special millage rate for police coverage is currently 1.45. **MOVED BY GROESBECK, SUPPORTED BY MOORE TO REDUCE MILLAGE RATE FROM 1.45 MILLS TO 1.25 MILLS. ROLL CALL VOTE: STROUP-NO, GROESBECK-YES, MOORE-YES, HOFFNER-NO, SWEERS-NO, RAYL-NO, ESCHENBURG-YES. MOTION DEFEATED. MOVED BY HOFFNER, SUPPORTED BY GROESBECK TO REDUCE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT MILLAGE RATE TO 1.30 MILLS. ROLL CALL VOTE: GROESBECK-YES, SWEERS-YES, RAYL-YES, STROUP-YES, MOORE-YES, HOFFNER-YES, ESCHENBURG-YES. MOTION CARRIED.**

Discussion concerning a full time liaison office for Almont Schools. Ms. VonHiltmayer, Almont High School Assistant Principal, was present and said Officer Wilson has established a good rapport the staff and students. She also stated she has written for a grant to help with funding. **MOVED BY MOORE, SUPPORTED BY STROUP TO APPROVE CONTRACT FOR A FULL TIME LIAISON OFFICER FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2008-2009 AT A COST OF \$42,187.05. ANY FUNDING RECEIVED THROUGH GRANTS THAT IS APPLICABLE TO THE HOURLY COST OF THE OFFICER WOULD REDUCE THE COST TO THE TOWNSHIP. ROLL CALL VOTE: GROESBECK-YES, STROUP-YES, RAYL-YES, MOORE-YES, SWEERS-YES, ESCHENBURG-YES, HOFFNER-YES. MOTION CARRIED. MOVED BY ESCHENBURG, SUPPORTED BY HOFFNER TO ADJOURN. CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

  
Carol Hoffner  
Almont Township Clerk