

## August 14, 2023- Township Board Meeting Minutes

The Board Meeting of the Alamo Township Board of Trustees was held at the Alamo Township Hall, 7901 North 6th Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49009.

### Board Members Present:

Supervisor: Gail VanderWeele  
Treasurer: Mary Stoneburner  
Clerk: Barb Venema  
Trustee: Russell Scott  
Trustee: Jason Scheffers

The Township Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor VanderWeele at 7:02 pm. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

6 people in attendance.

Julie Johnston was supposed to be at our meeting tonight, to consider whether we should hire her to help with a Land Use Plan. She was not able to be here.

**Citizens Comments:** Deputy Supervisor VanderWeele stated that Steve Tolliver, Park Manager, had called Pest Pros and had 3 yellow jacket nests removed from Main building, storage and maintenance building at Rector Community Park. They would be sending a bill, Supervisor VanderWeele had given approval.

### Consent Agreement

- A. Minutes,
- B. and Approval of Liabilities, a motion made by Trustee Scheffers to approve the minutes and liabilities, with Supervisor VanderWeele supporting, motion passed.

### Received Reports:

**Clerks Report:** Death Report: June -1, July -2

\*Election was held on August 8, 2023.

\*Cemetery work continues, we had another burial in Alamo Center, appointments for residents to buy plots, a cremains burial in Green Bower Cemetery.

\*New Website is soon to be launched.

### Treasurers' Report:

Insured Cash Sweep:	\$ 369,208.92
Current tax:	\$ 47,107.23
Trust & Agency:	\$ 800.70
General Account:	\$ 23,080.41

ARPA Account: \$ 209,151.52  
 Special Fire Protection: \$150,660.96  
 Fire Withholding: \$

**Kalamazoo Community Foundation:** \$249,453.123 As of May 31, 2023.

**Building Department Report: July 2023**

Building Permits	6	\$470.00
Electrical Permits	5	\$410.00
Mechanical Permits	3	\$240.00
Zoning/Compliance Permits	0	\$ .00
<b>Totals</b>	14	\$1,120.00

**Planning Commission Meeting**

Planning Commission did not meet in August.

**Fire Department Report**

Given by Chief Kizer.

For the month of July, 2023 Alamo Fire Department responded to 39 Incidents. The total calls for the year is at 248.

\*Chief Kizer recommended hiring Martin Gonzalez-Solis. He is already fully trained and would be available during the day. Trustee Russell made a motion to hire M. Gonzalez-Solis, Treasurer Stoneburner supported, passed.

\*Signing of papers for the new fire truck, will be delayed at least 2 weeks.

\*For Truck 111, a slot became available, for the reframing. Terry took the slot. We need to line up financing for this truck. Clerk had not received the email for financing until this evening when it was resent.

\*Fire Chief Kizer gave a brief report on the Township Hall doors not being safe.

\*Fire Chief Kizer requested that they be able to acquire the quad runner back from the Little League’s possession. The Board gave the ok for the Fire Department to get it. Supervisor VanderWeele will in form the Little League President Brandon Goodman.

\*Clerk Venema informed Chief Kizer that H & H Painting is not returning our calls. May need to get new bids for painting the inside Bay at Fire Station.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Township Roof-** insurance company is not going to repair, hail storm at the end of March????

**Museum –** Trustee Scheffers will obtain 2 more bids for Environmental Testing. Up to \$2,000 is approved for that.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Truck Routes:** Trustee Scott brought maps and wanted to clarify truck routes in our Township. Residents bring complaints, but the Trucks can travel on the roads. Joanna Johnson from Kalamazoo County Road Commission,

spoke about this subject. Very informative. She gave us our passwords so that we can connect with their website. She gave a run down of how many residents have made contact with their offices.

Trustee Scott also gave us information on Aggregate and how much they have done for our Township, and we need to keep this in mind. Sometimes too many complaints are directed at them.

**Citizen comment: None**

**Board Comments:**

Supervisor VanderWeele commented that at our September Board Meeting we will be looking at the Special Fire Assessment Roll.

**Adjournment**

Trustee Scott made a motion to adjourn. Treasurer Stoneburner supported the motion. Motion passed. Adjournment @ 8:23 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Clerk Barb Venema,

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