

## November 13, 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: Russell Scott  
Treasurer: Mary Stoneburner  
Clerk: Barb Venema  
Trustee: Andrea Venema  
Trustee: Jason Scheffers

The Township Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Scott at 7:00 pm.  
Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

10 people in attendance.

Supervisor Scott read a brief statement, that Supervisor VanderWeele is on a leave of absence.

### Citizens Comments:

County Commissioner DeLeeuw said thank you for passing the veteran's millage. He stated that in Kalamazoo County there are 15,000 veterans.

Tom Brennan from KCRC, gave us a brief update.

### Consent Agreement

- A. Minutes, motion was made by Trustee Scheffers, and supported by Treasurer Stoneburner, approved.
- B. Liabilities, were not printed. Will look at them at December's meeting.

### C. Received Reports:

#### Clerks Report:

Elections was the focus of October and early part of November.  
604 absentee ballots were voted. Precinct 1, had 72 voters, Precinct 2, had 90 voters

Cemetery: 2 full burials, and 2 cremains burials. Sold 4 plots.

### Treasurers' Report:

Insured Cash Sweep:	\$ 371,542.69
Current tax:	\$ 38,885.16
Trust & Agency:	\$ 118.68
General Account:	\$ 150,270.72

ARPA Account: \$ 196,306.98  
Special Fire Protection: \$150,270.72  
Fire Withholding: \$

**Kalamazoo Community Foundation: \$260,111.16 asset balance as of 9/30/23, Grant Making balance: \$ 11,640.48**

### **Building Department Report: October, 2023**

Building Permits	4	\$681.00
Electrical Permits	7	\$605.00
Mechanical Permits	10	\$845.00
Zoning/Compliance Permits	0	\$ 0.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>\$2,131.00</b>

### **Planning Commission Meeting**

Planning Commission had a meeting on November 7. Corrected minutes from the June 6, 2023 meeting and minutes from the November 7, 2023 were presented. Patrick Studabaker resigned from the Planning Commission immediately after the meeting on November 7, 2023. The Board of Trustees accepted his resignation.

### **Fire Department Report**

Given by Chief Kizer.

For the month of October, 2023 Alamo Fire Department responded to 42 Incidents. The total calls for the year is at 363.

The new fire truck is coming along. Looking forward to in service date in late November.

Fire Fighter Laura Hoffman, retired from Alamo Fire. Thank you Laura, for your many years of service for the township.

In December the Board will talk about replacing the rescue truck.

They had 30 kids stop in on Halloween evening for cider and donuts.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Wilson Snowplowing bid.** We were presented this last month, but tabled it till this November Meeting. Trustee Scheffers made a motion to accept the bid. Supervisor Scott supported. Passed 3 year contract.

**ARPA:** The Board of Trustees reviewed the list that is still open.

Bids are needed to paint the inside bay at the Fire Station.

Clerk Venema will call STG, our website to pay their bill.

Check with Sacketts and Wenke's for quotes on having the flooring done in bathrooms, kitchen and hallway.

Sound machines was a suggestion for our offices.

Defense siren-Fire Chief Kizer will check into. Should be insurance money, if want to display it.

**Museum:** A motion was made to have Trustee Scheffers go ahead with having the environmental test done on the museum. Allowing up to \$2,500. Supervisor Scott made the motion, supported by Treasurer Stoneburner. Motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Possible increase for Clerk for Elections. Tabled.**

**Filing Cabinet for Clerk's office.** VanDam and Krusinga might have one. RCKC might have some office things when they make their move.

**Food Reimbursement during fires:** Fire Department has solved this and filing our tax exempt # with our township establishments.

**Reimbursement for Park Rangers bills.** Clerk will add their names to businesses for fuel and for hardware. Gate key will be given to L. Stoneburner, and to township office.

**Aggregate/Marty Landes Compliance Report:** Supervisor Scott gave a brief synopsis. He stated that we need to increase the reclamation bond. Supervisor Scott made a motion to do this, supported by Treasurer Stoneburner, motion passed. Supervisor Scott will call Marty Landes to start this. Bill for the report will be paid, also.

**Citizens Comments:** None

**Board Comments:**

Treasurer Stoneburner: Winter taxes will be sent out December 1.

Supervisor Scott: stated that he has learned a lot.

**Adjournment**

Treasurer Stoneburner made a motion to adjourn. Clerk Venema supported the motion. Motion passed.

Adjournment @ 7:54 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Clerk Barb Venema.