

February 10, 2025- 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:

Treasurer: Denise Wilcox
Clerk: Barb Venema
Trustee: Andrea Venema
Supervisor Russell Scott

Members Absent:

Trustee: Priscilla Lobretto

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

7 people in attendance.

Citizens Comments: None

Amendment to Agenda: A motion was made by Supervisor Scott to excuse Trustee Lobretto from tonight's meeting, and to amend the agenda to add Letter E, under new business, contract from Steensma's for servicing our generator. The motion was supported by Trustee Venema. Passed.

Guests:

Captain Jeff Baker, from Kalamazoo Sheriff's Department. He is in charge of Support & Everything Else, he offered to lead a class on prevention of scams and fraud tips. It is an hour long class. Supervisor Scott mentioned that he would like to do this for our community.

Mark Worden, from RCKC presented the Board members with maps of roads in our township and their conditions. He presented options for the road repairs and maintenance for the 2025 summer season. The roads that were chosen for this year are:

F Ave- Ravine Road to 12th Street

E Ave- 1,270' East of Ravine Road to 2,850' East of Ravine Road

G Ave – Wolf Lake Drive to 2nd Street

Stoney Woods Dr – Ravine Road to 2,300 east of Ravine Road

Contingency Roads:

Owen Drive -Ravine Road to B Ave

B Avenue – Van Kal Street to 2nd Street

F Ave – 6th Street to 7th Street

Supervisor Scott made a motion to approve these roads as the projects to be completed this coming road season, supported by Trustee Venema. Passed.

Minutes for January 13, 2024, and **Liabilities**, Trustee Venema made a motion to accept. Clerk Venema supported. Passed.

Clerk’s Report:

Doing different things for cemetery matters. We are accepting bids for lawnmowing services for 2025 season. Expectations for that is on the website. My deputy and I were involved in helping with ballots from the 9 day early voting for the audits being conducted for the November 5, 2024 Election. I assisted with some things for the Supervisor to put the new budget together.

Treasurer’s Report:

Tax Fund: \$ 450,588.01
Trust & Agency: \$ 15,876.65
Fire Protection: \$ 152,352.25
General Account: \$ 744,176.26

Kalamazoo Community Foundation: as of 2/10/2025. Amount available is \$23,543.22

Building Department Report: December, 2024

Building Permits	3	\$380.00
Electrical Permits	0	\$0.00
Mechanical Permits	6	\$525.00
Zoning/Compliance Permits		\$ 0.00
Totals	9	\$905.00

Planning Commission Meeting

The February 4, 2025 meeting was cancelled.

Fire Dept Report:

Fire Chief Kizer gave the fire report. The Fire Department responded to 61 calls in January. Total for the year Fire calls: 61.

Clerk Venema asked if the AED machine that is on the wall in the Township Hall needed to be updated. It will be checked on.

Ordinance Report: We received a report from Ordinance Enforcement Officer, for January,2025. For Information.

OLD BUSINESS:

Treasurer Wilcox asked Supervisor Scott if he had heard anything from the company that is giving us appraisals for museum property and C Ave property. Supervisor Scott has not heard anything yet.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution to adopt Millage Ballot Language. Supervisor Scott read the resolution. Treasurer Wilcox made a motion to approve the resolution, Trustee Venema supported. Supervisor Scott stated we will do a roll call, Trustee Venema, YES, Treasurer Wilcox, YES, Supervisor Scott, YES, and Clerk Venema, YES. Resolution was declared adopted by Supervisor Scott.

Junk/Recycling Days: The Board had in their packets the information about the new dates. Supervisor Scott informed those in attendance. The dates are April 26, August 9, and October 11, 2025. At Waste Not Recycling, located at 3025 Ravine Road. Small pink cards with dates and what you can and cannot bring, are available at the Township Office.

Cemetery Mowing Bids: Information is posted on our Township website for companies to place bids for the mowing season 2025. Supervisor Scott informed those in attendance at the meeting.

Board of Review: new member appointed: Mike Cramer

Renewal Agreement for Generator: Steensma's submitted a bid for a service agreement for our generator at the Township Hall. Trustee Venema made a motion to accept the agreement, it was supported by Supervisor Scott. Passed.

Citizen Comments: None

Board Comments:

Clerk Venema: none

Trustee Venema: none

Treasurer Wilcox: none

Supervisor Scott: Busy with budget, the office has been busy with taxpayers.

Treasurer Wilcox made a motion to adjourn. Clerk Venema supported the motion. Motion passed.
Adjournment @ 7:49 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Clerk Barb Venema.