

# ALAMO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

7901 NORTH 6<sup>th</sup> STREET  
KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN 49009  
NOVEMBER 11, 2013

## 6:00 PM.

The Kalamazoo County Road Commission gave their annual Report to the Township Board and its Citizens.

## 7:00 PM.

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Conti at 7:00 pm...

The Pledge of Allegiance was cited and an Invocation was given by Supervisor Conti.

**Present:** Supervisor Conti, Clerk Endres, Treasurer Stoneburner, Trustee Potter- Williams and Trustee VanderWeele.

**Others in Attendance:** 80 +/-

Supervisor Conti read the Public Policy on speaking at a public meeting.

### **Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

**Motion** was made by Trustee VanderWeele, Supported by Trustee Potter-Williams to approve the October 14, 2013 meeting minutes with two spelling errors corrected. Motion carried 4-1 (Treasurer Stoneburner opposed).

**Motion** was made by Trustee Potter-Williams, Supported by Clerk Endres to approve the October 24, 2013 meeting as written. Motion carried 4-1 (Treasurer Stoneburner opposed)

### **Authorization of Liabilities:**

**MOTION** was made by Clerk Endres to grant permission to pay outstanding invoices, supported by Trustee VanderWeele. Motion passed 5-0.

### **Reports:**

#### 1. ***Supervisors Report:***

Supervisor Conti read a statement stating he has no intentions of resigning from his elected position as Alamo Township Supervisor, no wrongdoing has been found. Supervisor Conti will continue to work for the citizens of Alamo to address their questions and concerns, promote neighborhood watch zones, expand monthly recycling, continue negotiating with suppliers and contractors, and continue his volunteer commitment to the Township, along with his commitment to run the day to day operations of the township.

#### 2. ***Clerk/Sexton Report:***

*Liabilities for October: \$77,801.89*

Clerk Endres reported receiving one letter of correspondence regarding a land split, along with two letters of resignation. Endres placed the Fire Department phone on a plan saving the reducing the monthly rate from \$60.65 to just \$30.00; this will save the Township roughly \$360.00 annually.

Assessor Burd requested reimbursement for a home office computer (request was for only half of printer \$125.00) and 1 ink cartridge (\$71.99)

**MOTION** was made by Supervisor Conti to reimburse Assessor Burd for the expense of half her new home printer and 1 ink cartridge in the amount of \$196.99, Supported by Trustee Potter-Williams. All in favor, motion carries.

Elections: next possible election would be February of 2014.

Cemeteries: Income for October \$825.00. Fall clean up is scheduled for Saturday November 16, 2013 so the flags can be displayed on Veterans Day.

**3. Treasurers Financial Report:**

General Fund:	\$156,081.51	
Fire Department Fund:	\$ 18,237.43	
Surplus Account:	\$ 61,950.51	
Kalamazoo Foundation:	<del>\$ 86,179.43</del>	<b>(treasurer did not give a report for this item)</b>
PNC CD:	\$ 50,901.98	
First National Bank CD:	\$248,000.00	
Trust and Agency:	\$ 102.26	(money goes in and out)
Current Tax:	\$ 17,347.24	(money paid out twice a month)
First Rate Money Market:	\$100,020.54	
Development Fund:	\$ X	waiting on auditor.

**4. Building Department:**

Building Permits:	1	\$ 174.00
Electrical Permits:	6	\$ 660.00
Mechanical Permits	5	\$ 490.00
Outdoor Wood Boiler	1	\$ 25.00
Zoning Compliance Permit:	1	\$ 0
<b>TOTAL INCOME FOR October:</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>\$1,349.00.</b>

**5. Fire and Rescue:**

- 4 Medical Emergencies
- 3 Vehicle Accidents
- 1 Smoke Investigation (Highway)
- 1 1 Structure fire / Assist to other Townships (Cooper)

Training: CPR recertification along with Truck Inspections and Tool Services.

Operations: Roof is complete, Thank You to Vandam and Kruienza for doing this project at cost saving the township thousands of dollars. Generator is on order and is expected to be completed by December 1, 2013.

Public Relations: The Halloween Candy Check went well this year receiving nearly 75 guests.

**6. Road Committee Report:**

Road Committee has examined ~~605~~ **6.5** miles of junk roads at an estimated cost of \$1,200,000.00. The Committee will meet on November 19, 2013 at the Alamo Township Hall 7:00PM to discuss funding options. All are welcome to attend.

**7. Planning Commission:**

**MOTION** was made by Supervisor Conti to nominate Mrs. Pauline Kizer to become a member of the Alamo

Township Planning Commission to fill the vacancy left by member Westra, Supported by Trustee Potter—Williams. All in favor. Motion passes 5-0

**8. OLD BUSINESS:**

- New Web Site- Meeting minutes are up as well as meeting packets; continued work is being done to eliminate bugs and to add additional improvements. Suggestions on how to improve the site are always welcome.
- Cemetery Tree Removal: Supervisor Conti suggested waiting for the ground to freeze before beginning work because of all the rain we have had.

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

- Royal Estates Water Resolution: A resolution was presented to the Board to refuse operation/maintenance for the MRG, Royal Estates LLC drinking water supply system.  
**MOTION** was made by Supervisor Conti to Adopt said Resolution refusing the responsibility to operate/maintain The MRG, Royal Estates LLC drinking water supply system, supported by Trustee Potter-Williams. Roll Call Vote: Trustee VanderWeele- Yes, Clerk Endres – Yes, Supervisor Conti- Yes, Trustee Potter-Williams –Yes, Treasurer Stoneburner – Yes. Resolution Adopted.
- Jake Break & Truck Ordinance:  
**MOTION** was made by Supervisor Conti to recommend to the Planning Commission to research a Jake Break and Truck Route Ordinance, Supported by Trustee VanderWeele. Motion passes 4-1. (Treasurer Stoneburner Opposed).

**10. CITIZEN COMMENT:**

A Thank You was sent out to all Military personnel for serving our country, push for volunteerism, harassment techniques, trust, allegations brought against Supervisor.

**11. ADJOURNMENT:**

Supervisor Conti declared meeting out of order, Conti attempted three times to bring the crowd under control. Due to the inability to conduct business the meeting was declared adjourned.

**MOTION** was made by Trustee Potter-Williams to adjourn meeting, due to the inability to conduct business, supported by Supervisor Conti. Motion carried 3-2. (Treasurer Stoneburner and Trustee VanderWeele opposed) Meeting adjourned 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Endres ,  
Alamo Township Clerk