ALAIEDON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES
Monday, August 12, 2024

The regular Alaiedon Township Board meeting held Monday, August 12, 2024, was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Supervisor Steven Lott. Members present: Supervisor Steven Lott, Clerk Kimberly Hafley, Trustee Beth Smith, Trustee Kurt Kranz and Deputy Clerk Virginia Coffman. Treasurer Scott Everett was absent.

Also, in attendance were William Hamilton, Joel Fell, Sheryl Merindorf and Gary Bradish.

Motion by Smith, supported by Kranz, to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2024, meeting as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Kranz, supported by Smith, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

Joel Fell of 2768 Hagadorn Road attended the meeting to discuss his property usage.
He works seasonally from April to November hauling products for farmers.

Gary Bradish of Walline Road attended the meeting to inform the Board he has been advised by the Ingham County Road Department that the culvert he has concerns about is in the hands of the Ingham County Drain Commission. Additionally, Mr. Bradish complimented the Alaiedon Township office staff and Steven Lott Supervisor/Zoning Administrator stating that he received more help in one phone call to Alaiedon Township than in five weeks of contacting the Road Commission.

William Hamilton of Hagadorn Road attended the meeting and noted he has sent several correspondences to the Board regarding an alleged zoning ordinance violation in his neighborhood.

Sheryl Merindorf of 1850 Hagadorn Road attended the meeting to share her concerns about the activities at 1882 Hagadorn Road. There was a very unsettling event on July 29th resulting in law enforcement being called.

Supervisor Lott explained that she needs to stay in contact with the Ingham County Sheriff's Department.

Ms. Merindorf questioned the condition of the property? Supervisor Lott said he would be sending out letters regarding junk and trash violations soon.

Motion by Kranz, supported by Smith to approve the following Resolution for a Partial Termination of a Farmland Development Rights with pre-existing structure in Section 16.

WHEREAS the Alaiedon Township Board finds that the request for release of the particular parcel is NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ALAIEDON TOWNSHIP BOARD AS FOLLOWS:

(1) That the Alaiedon Township Board hereby approves the request to release the following described piece of property from said Farmland Development Rights Agreement,
A parcel of land in the Southwest ¼ of Section 16, T3N, R1W Alaiedon Township, Ingham County, Michigan; the surveyed boundary of said parcel being described as commencing at the South ¼ Corner of Section 16, T3N, R1W, Michigan Meridian; thence N00 degrees 19' 18" E, along the North-South ¼ line, 1284.81 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence N89 degrees 40' 42"W, 436.00 feet; thence N00 degrees 19'18"E, 200.00 feet; thence 89 degrees 40'42" E, 436.00 feet; thence S00 degrees 19'18" W, along said North-South ¼ line, 200.00 feet to the point of beginning; said parcel contains 2.00 acres.

and

(2) That the Alaiedon Township Board hereby CERTIFIES that the parcel is to be released for a person essential to the farm operation as defined in statute (324.36110. (5)).

and

(3) That the Township Board hereby certifies that at least one structure located on the certain piece of property was present prior to the original execution of said Farmland Development Rights Agreement.

Roll call vote Yeas: Smith, Kranz, Hafley and Lott. Nays: none Absent: Everett. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, supported by Kranz to hire Clark Schaefer Hackett to prepare the F-65 Annual Local Government form for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, in the amount of $1,200.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Kranz, supported by Hafley to approve the 24 sq ft free-standing sign for Precision Diesel at 805 N. Cedar Street, Mason. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, supported by Kranz to approve the renewal of the BS&A cemetery and assessing software programs support in the amount of $1,542.00 for 8-1-2024 to 8-1-2025. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, supported by Kranz to approve the purchase of 2 new office computers plus software, security and firewall upgrades in the amount of $7,751.02 from VC3. Motion carried.

Supervisor Lott reported the chip sealing of the roads but not fogging has been done in the Township. The roundabout at Hagadorn and Sandhill Roads is scheduled to be open by Thursday this week. The Leek Cemetery trail has the final wood chips in place, they will be setting the picnic table for the walking path. The complex for the columbium had 17.5 yards of concrete poured and they expect the pavilion materials to be here on August 20th. They plan to set the pillars then pour the concrete and hydroseed.

Supervisor Lott reported that as he has traveled the Township in recent months, he has observed an increase in the number of commercial vehicles in the Residential and Commercial districts. Based on the evolving work environment, he is recommending the Zoning Ordinance regarding commercial vehicles needs to be reviewed and updated to reflect current times. There will still be limitations. Supervisor Lott will work with legal counsel on language and guidelines for a Planning Commission Public Hearing. The goal is to have information for the next Board meeting and give to the Planning Commission for the September meeting to review.

Trustee Smith reported on progress at the cemetery and walking trails. The second reimbursement of costs for the trails and cemetery improvements has been received from the County Treasurer. Trustee Smith also shared that mail vandalism has returned and that here were 17 pieces of mail in ditches and 7 mailboxes open on her walks in her neighborhood.

Trustee Kranz reported that the Zoning Board of Appeals met at 3056 Okemos Road, Mason and granted 4 of the requested variances contingent upon approvals from the Delhi Township Fire Department, Ingham County Road Department, Ingham County Drain Commissioner and Ingham County Health Department. The Fire Department, Road Department and Health Department were also in attendance at the meeting.

Clerk Hafley reported that the August primary elections went well and was very appreciative of the help of Deputy Clerk Coffman, Paulette George and the other election workers.

Motion by Kranz supported by Smith, to pay the following invoices: General Fund check# 16769 through #16828 and sixteen electronic transfers in the amount of $139,969.80
Tax account check# 7480 through #7503 and two electronic transfers in the amount of $1,132,656.68. Trust and Agency account two electronic transfers in the amount of $3,673.80 Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, supported by Hafley, to adjourn. Motion carried at 8:48p.m.

Minutes taken by Virginia Coffman, Deputy Clerk.

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Kimberly Hafley, Township Clerk et al