

ARCADA TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting

March 12, 2025

The meeting was called to order by D. Merchant at 6:00pm. Roll Call of board members were: D. Merchant, M. Redman, W. Baxter, L. Baxter, C. Bovee, all present. Also present were Craig McClintic, Sue Smolka, John Smolka, Barb Littler, Sheila Salmon, Maureen Murphy and Dave Owens.

The March 12, 2025 Agenda with a motion to approve by C. Bovee and support by M. Redman. Motion Carried.

Budget Hearing: Motion to close Regular Meeting at 6:34 p.m. to open Budget Hearing by C. Bovee and support by M. Redman. Discussion of the 2025-2026 Township Budget.

Budget Report: none (Budget Hearing)

Treasurer Report: General Fund balance after paying Bill \$317,335.03 Received the 425 Agreement \$10,957.21; State of Michigan Marihuana disbursement \$58,228.66. Over 3 Line items Pension \$39.60; Postage 407.02 and Election \$459.97 Total \$906.49. Motion to pull overage from Annual Trash Day account by C. Bovee and support by M. Redman. Motion Carried.

Approval to pay the monthly township Bills for Check 8931-8942. Motion to pay the bills by M. Redman and support by C. Bovee, Motion carried.

Clerks Report: Election coming up for Alma Schools May 6, 2025. Election Committee needs to meet to set Election Inspectors. Clerk recommended they meet prior to the April 9, 2025 meeting at 5:45PM.

Zoning Officer: Issued a couple of permits. Permit for a pond Fred Best for Tyler Haas on Tyler Rd. Alma.

Planning Commission: Planning Commission meeting scheduled for March 24 at 7pm

Supervisor/Assessor's Report: Attorney sent letter to Frisbey's regarding non-payment of fine.

County Commissioner: Dave Owens present. Gave update on County.

New Business:

- a. Approve the 2025-2026 Budget: Motion to approve the 2025-2026 Budget by Redman and support by W. Baxter, motion carried.
- b. Approve Road Contracts: Motion to approve by M. Redman and support by W. Baxter, motion carried.
- c. Approve Lawn Contracts: Held over to April 9, 2025 meeting.

Old Business:

Public Comment: Barb Litwiller Discussed her concern of Solar Farms built near her property. Discussion concern of Noise, Setbacks, Erosion to the land and more. Residents Sue and John Smolka spoke of their concern if a Solar Farm were built across from their Property on Tyler Rd. Arcada Township has not had any requests for property owners requesting zoning for a Solar Farm at this time. A detailed letter from Barb Litwiller attached.

After Announcements and upcoming meetings, the Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m. With a motion by C. Bovee and support by M. Redman. Motion carried.


Laureen Baxter, Clerk


Douglas Merchant, Supervisor