The **regular meeting** of the Alcona County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Building in the City of Harrisville, Michigan on Wednesday, **September 6, 2017** at 10:00 A.M.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Johnston.

Invocation given by commissioner Wnuk

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Commissioners present: Kathleen Vichunas, Craig Johnston, Carolyn Brummund, Adam Brege and Gary Wnuk. Also present: Patricia Truman, County Clerk and Cheryl Franks, Treasurer

## Motion by Wnuk, seconded by Brege, to approve the minutes from the August 16, 2017 regular meeting. MOTION CARRIED

## PRESENTATIONS:

Les Thomas, MSUE, gave an update on 4-H programs and reported that Mischelle Warner is the new district coordinator.

Bill Haase and Judy Kalmanek, gave an update on the Thunder Bay River Center project.

## NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Brege, seconded by Brummund, to approve pre-authorized claims and open claims presented for payment between 8/16/17 to 9/5/2017 for check numbers 131026 to 131244 and E-check numbers 683 to 690 for a grand total of \$348,167.26. Roll call: Yes- Brege, Brummund, Vichunas, Wnuk and Johnston. No- None MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Troy Somers, Equalization Director and Karen Healy, Register of Deeds, came before the board and reviewed the status of their 2016 budget.

Scott Rice, EMS Director, joined the meeting and requested that his budget be amended to allow for the purchase of radios, uniforms and laptops and to cover budget shortages for part-time and over-time. Motion by Brummund, seconded by Brege to amend the Ambulance Fund (#210) by \$75,000.00 and increase revenue 210-000-699.000, *Transfer in from Fund Balance*, and increase the expenditure line items as requested by the department head. Roll call: Yes- Brege, Brummund, Vichunas, Wnuk and Johnston. No- None MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Brege, to approve the budget adjustment for the Law Enforcement Fund #2 (268) and increase revenue #268-000-699.000 *Transfer in from Fund Balance*, \$3,000.00 and increase expenditure #268-267-955.000, *Misc. Prosecution OUIL Cost*, by \$3,000.00 for a new fund balance of \$14,020.00. Roll call: Yes- Brege, Brummund, Vichunas, Wnuk and Johnston. No- None MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by Vichunas, seconded by Brege, to approve the recommendation of the Library board and appoint Mary Gruba to fill the unexpired term of Thomas Ronayne, beginning on September 27, 2017 and expiring on December 31, 2021. MOTION CARRIED

Election by ballot was held for a Republican and Democratic member for the County Board of Canvassers. The three names submitted by the Republican Party were Jaynee Germond, Richard Germond and Bill Sanders. The three names submitted by the Democratic Party were Edward Fines, Margaret Kutzera and Rosemary Love. Jaynee Germond and Edwards Fines were elected.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Wnuk, to confirm the appointment of Jaynee Germond and Edward Fines to the County Board of Canvassers, for a four-year term expiring on October 31, 2021. MOTION CARRIED

## Motion by Brummund, seconded by Vichunas, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Proclamation proclaiming the week of September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week. MOTION CARRIED

Cheryl Franks, County Treasurer, reported on the recent tax sale, 13 of the 30 properties were sold and will cover the unpaid taxes. The next sale/auction will be on-line only.

Commissioners gave brief reports on the meetings they recently attended.

Chairman Johnston reported on the request for wage adjustment for the two Friend of the Court employees. Motion by Johnston, seconded by Vichunas, to approve the Letter of Understanding between the United Steelworkers District 2, the Chief Judge of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Judicial Circuit Court and the County of Alcona. MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Wnuk, seconded by Brege, to go into closed session to discuss union negotiation strategies. Roll call: Yes- Brege, Brummund, Vichunas, Wnuk and Johnston. No- None MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Closed session held at 12:10 p.m. Regular session resumed at 1:24 p.m. with all members present.

Meeting adjourned at 1:24 p.m. until the next regular meeting to be held on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

Clerk

Chairman