

The **regular meeting** of the Alcona County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Building in the City of Harrisville, Michigan, on Wednesday, October 19, 2016.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Chairman Boyat. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Commissioners present: Craig Johnston, Kathleen Vichunas, Carolyn Brummund, Sheila Phillips and Kevin Boyat. Absent: None . Also present: Cheryl Franks, Treasurer and Barbara Bruske, Deputy Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Vichunas, seconded by Phillips to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2016, meeting with correction.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT

Patricia Thomas spoke of the community contributions by area resident, Dave Morey. He is leaving the area and will be donating radio equipment, etc. He has been instrumental in establishing the local Harrisville radio station, WXTF. She would propose the Commissioners prepare a Resolution to recognize Mr. Morey and his many contributions to our community.

PRESENTATIONS

Marlena MacNeill and Tom Stephenson spoke on Technology Action Plan for Alcona County. They spoke of the need to increase Broadband access to Northeast Michigan. Technology Action Plan was distributed to the Commissioners at this time. There will be a Technology Summit at Alcona High School on Saturday, October 22, 2016, from 9:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Betsy Lehndorf and Eric Brandon presented information on Oak Wilt invading areas of Alcona County. An informative bulletin brochure was given outlining the disease affecting Oak Trees in the coverage area.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Phillips to authorize the Chairman to sign the Financial Audit and other Management Advisory Services for the County of Alcona proposed by Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC, Certified Public Accountants.

Roll Call: YES: Brummund, Phillips, Johnston, Vichunas, Boyat NO: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Phillips to authorize the Chairman to sign the Proposal for 2016, to Perform the Agreed upon Procedures and Management Advisory Services for Alcona County Ambulance Services by Anderson, Tackman & Company, LLC, Certified Public Accountants.

Roll Call: YES: Phillips, Vichunas, Johnston, Brummund, Boyat NO: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Phillips to approve pre-authorized claims and open claims presented for payment between 10/5/2016 to 10/18/2016, for Check number 127835 to 127986 in the amount of \$693,541.83 and E-check number 516 to 520 in the amount of \$153,713.02 for a grand total of \$847,254.85.

Roll Call: YES: Vichunas, Johnston, Phillips, Brummund, Boyat NO: None

Commissioner Brummund is waiting to speak with Mr. Rod Charron regarding appointment to the Iosco-Alcona EDC Board.

Recreation Master Plan draft is complete with minor adjustments. Board requests to review before publication.

Cheryl Franks gave Treasurer's Report. She also presented a proposed Fee Schedule for documents and services.

Dave Hanson, Building & Grounds Department addressed Commissioners on seeking bids to perform repair and preparation work to Harbor Town Market Place for a potential tenant for Suite 7.

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Brummund to run an advertisement for bids in the Alcona County Review for October 26, 2016, edition.

Roll Call: YES: Phillips, Brummund, Johnston, Vichunas, Boyat NO: None

MOTION CARRIED

Dave Hanson also gave report on Heating System and other projects.

COMMUNICATIONS

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Phillips to send letter of concurrence for St. Clair County 211.

YES: Phillips, Brummund, Johnston, Vichunas, Boyat NO: None

MOTION CARRIED

Received with regret a Letter of Resignation from Nancy Perry, Probate Guardian.

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Brummund for Commissioner Phillips to write letter in support of the Thunder Bay River Center project in the Alpena Wildlife Sanctuary.

YES: Phillips, Brummund, Johnston, Vichunas, Boyat NO: None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Phillips to delete Commissioner Meeting dates of November 2, 2016 and November 16, 2016, and add November 9, 2016, as the selected date for November, 2016.

Roll Call: YES: Johnston, Phillips, Brummund

NO: Vichunas, Boyat

MOTION CARRIED

Commissioner Boyat informed Commissioners of Fair Board appointments – Matt Strickland, And Junior Board Members – Joe Hutchinson and Trinity Keyser.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Johnston to not allow Junior Fair Board members to vote on Fair Board issues.

YES: Johnston, Phillips, Brummund, Vichunas, Boyat.

NO: None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Phillips to Increase Fair Fundraising \$2,400.00.

YES: Brummund, Phillips, Vichunas, Johnston, Boyat

NO: None

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Brummund to reduce PILT payments to Townships as Follows: 1/3, year 2017, 2/3, year 2018 and all, year 2019.

YES: Johnston, Phillips, Brummund, Boyat

NO: Vichunas

MOTION CARRIED

Chairman Boyat to send letter to Townships.

Committee Reports given.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Connie Sysak addressed Commissioners regarding parking spots reserved for potential new tenant at Harbor Town Market Place. She is concerned that another entity in the building will have a majority of parking spots, and wanted to be reassured that it would be equitable.

John Schlicker spoke on upcoming election and funding for H.U.N.T., and his concerns if the millage proposal passes.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 P.M. Next meeting, Wednesday, November 9, 2016.

Clerk

Chairman

