

The **regular meeting** of the Alcona County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Building in the City of Harrisville, Michigan, on Wednesday, **February 17, 2016** at 10:00 A.M.

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

Commissioners present: Craig Johnston, Kathy Vichunas, Carolyn Brummund, Sheila Phillips and Kevin Boyat. Absent: None. Also present: Patricia Truman, County Clerk and Sheila Scott, Deputy County Treasurer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Vichunas to approve the minutes from the February 3, 2016 meeting. MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ken Short, Harrisville, requested zero tolerance and back ground checks for fair board members.

Commissioner Phillips explained the two strike policy that the fair board has adopted and that they are working on a Code of Ethics.

Several members of the audience addressed the board regarding prior actions and experiences they had in regards to the fair and fair board members.

Sandra Williams and Marsha Simmons spoke in regards to Enbridge Line 5 pipeline.

Kerry Scott, Building Department, reported that there will be a public meeting on February 25th regarding the new building codes.

PRESENTATIONS:

Kelly Heimstra, MSUE, reported that they will be requesting that the millage for MSUE services be put on the ballot for renewal; legal counsel is reviewing the language. Heimstra requested two members of the board of commissioners be appointed to the Friends of Extension. Chairman Boyat appointed Commissioner Vichunas and Commissioner Johnston.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Troy Somers, Equalization Director, joined the meeting to discuss the proposed Land Division contract with the townships. Somers recommended that the contract include a charge for exempt parcels as they require the same amount of work as non-exempt.

Motion by Vichunas, seconded by Brummund to adopt the proposed Land Division contract. Roll Call: Yes- Vichunas, Johnston, Brummund, Phillips and Boyat. No- None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Commissioner Brummund presented information on the Cedar Lake spillway and requested the board request the drain commissioner to solicit bids from engineering firms to develop a dam reconstruction plan.

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Phillips, that the Alcona County Board of Commissioners requests the Alcona County Drain Commissioner to solicit bids from engineering firms to develop a plan addressing the combined issues of water outlet at

the north end of Cedar Lake. Said firm would then be brought back to the Board of Commissioners for awarding of the bid.

Roll Call: Yes-Vichunas, Johnston, Brummund, Phillips and Boyat. No- None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Johnston, seconded by Phillips, to approve pre-authorized claims and open claims presented for payment between 2/3/2016 to 2/16/2016, for check numbers 125196 to 125424 in the amount of \$101,345.83 and E-check number 382 to 390 in the amount of \$157,165.04 for a grand total of \$258,510.87. Roll Call: Yes- Vichunas, Johnston, Brummund, Phillips and Boyat. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Finance committee recommended that the District Court furniture be paid out of the Building Preservation fund #470 and the boiler be paid from the settlement funds.

Commissioner Phillips presented for comment a proposed amendment to Article IX, Sec. 3 of the Thunder Bay Transportation Authority's Articles of Incorporation that would allow for the exception that the three additional board members not have to be residents of Thunder Bay service area, if they are employed in the Thunder Bay service area. Discussion held. Board members suggested that the amendment only allow that one member be allowed to be outside the service area, if they are employed in the Thunder Bay service area.

Commissioners gave brief reports on the committee meetings that they recently attended.

Meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Clerk

Chairman