

The **regular meeting** of the Alcona County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Building in the City of Harrisville, Michigan on Wednesday, **May 16, 2018** at 10:00 a.m.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Commissioners present: Craig Johnston, Chairman, Carolyn Brummund, Dan Gauthier, Gary Wnuk and Adam Brege. Also present: Patricia Truman, County Clerk and Sheila Franks, County Treasurer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Brege, to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2018 regular meeting with the amendment of the motion to approve the millage language for Alcona County Library roll call vote to “no” for Wnuk and approve the special meeting minutes from May 15, 2018.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Scott Rice, EMS Director, invited the Board to the Alcona EMS Open House to be held at both locations on Sunday, May 20, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Doug Atchison, Sheriff, informed the Board that the Sheriff’s Department now inspects the liquor licenses for Caledonia Township. Atchison further stated that the Alcona Community Schools Superintendent, Dan O’Conner, has requested additional staffing of a liaison officer.

PRESENTATIONS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

At this time Commissioner Wnuk requested that the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission be added to the agenda and Commissioner Gauthier stated the Veterans Affairs travel expenses needed to be addressed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Brummund, to approve pre-authorized claims and open claims presented for payment between 5/02/18 to 5/15/18 for check numbers 133735 to 133885 and E-check numbers 818 to 826 for a grand total of \$679,273.92.

Roll Call: Yes – Johnston, Brege, Brummund, Gauthier and Wnuk

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Wnuk, to approve the General Fund budget adjustment to increase line items as follows:

101-000-548.002 \$400.00
101-267-751.000 \$200.00
101-267-964.001 \$200.00

MOTION CARRIED

At this time the Finance Committee gave a brief review of the General Fund budget.

David Hanson, Custodian, presented to the Board a quote for the new courtroom furniture in the amount of \$3,651.00. Hanson further stated that the upgrade to LED lighting for the courtroom is estimated to be \$400 and requested the Board approve the purchase of both from the Building Preservation Fund.

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Brummund, to approve the purchase of new courtroom furniture and LED lighting from the Building Preservation Fund in the amount of \$4,400.00.

MOTION CARRIED

Cheryl Franks, County Treasurer, presented her report for April investments.

Motion by Wnuk, seconded by Brummund, to approve the Opposition to Michigan Indigent Defense Commission Resolution as follows:

RESOLUTION #2018-10

Alcona County Michigan

OPPOSITION TO AMENDATORY LEGISLATION TO MICHIGAN PUBLIC ACT 93 OF 2013

WHEREAS, Michigan Public Act 90 of 2013 created the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (MIDC), authorized the MIDC to establish minimum standards for the provisions of indigent defense services, mandated compliance plans from all Michigan counties by November 20, 2017 to address the first four indigent defense standards, and mandated that any additional costs required to implement these minimum standards be paid by the state; and

WHEREAS, Alcona County has developed a mandatory compliance plan for implementing the first four indigent defense standards and submitted this plan to the MIDC by the November 20, 2017 deadline; and

WHEREAS, Governor Rick Snyder has now proposed a FY 19 budget for the State of Michigan, which include insufficient funding to pay the additional indigent defense expenses that are anticipated in association with implementation of the first four indigent defense minimum standards, as required by Michigan Public Act 93 of 2013; and

WHEREAS, realizing state funding as currently proposed is insufficient and in violation of Michigan Public Act 93 of 2013, the Governor has further proposed amendatory legislation, "to clarify and improve" Michigan Public Act 93 of 2013, which include, among other things, establishing a new minimum local share of indigent defense costs to \$7.25 per capita and requiring that 90 percent of the revenue now collected by counties from partially indigent defendants be remitted to the state to support statewide system costs; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the proposed amendatory changes to Michigan Public Act 93 of 2013 would result in an absorbent increase in expenses to Alcona County to provide indigent services in compliance with the first four standards; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Alcona County Board of Commissioners hereby opposes any amendatory legislation to Michigan Public Act 93 of 2013 that would reduce or eliminate the State of Michigan's fiduciary responsibility to pay any and all additional costs required to implement the minimum indigent defense standards, as presently legislated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Alcona County Board of Commissioner's remains committed to implementing the new indigent defense standards as mandated by the MIDC, so long as the State of Michigan remains true to its original commitment to pay for any additional costs necessary for their implementation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Rick Snyder, State Representative Sue Allor, State Senator James Stamos, the Michigan Association of Counties and the other 82 counties.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2018

Craig Johnston, Chairman
Alcona County Board of Commissioners

Roll Call: Yes – Brege, Brummund, Johnston, Wnuk and Gauthier

No - None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Gauthier, to approve travel expenses for the continued certification training for Veterans Affairs counselor, Tony Atkinson, in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Gauthier, to go into closed session to discuss union negotiations.

Roll Call: Yes – Johnston, Brummund, Wnuk, Gauthier and Brege

No-None

MOTION CARRIED

Closed session held at 10:36 a.m.

Regular meeting resumed at 11:20 a.m. with all members present.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The Board accepted the letter of resignation from Mary H. Lappan, DHHS board member.

COMMITTEE REPORT:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

At this time the Board set a study session to be held on May 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss talking points for requested ballot proposals.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m. until the next regular scheduled meeting on June 6, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

Clerk

Chairman