

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 1, 2017** at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by Craig Johnston, Chairman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Commissioners present: Kathy Vichunas, Carolyn Brummund, Gary Wnuk, Adam Brege and Craig Johnston, Chairman. Also present: Stephany Eller, Deputy Clerk and Cheryl Franks, County Treasurer.

Invocation given by Pastor Ernie Ruemenapp.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Vichunas, seconded by Brege to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2017 regular meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PRESENTATIONS:

Marlena MacNeill spoke on behalf of Leadership Alcona about the available programs to help introduce more widespread internet access to the area. Leadership Alcona requests any support the Board may provide to further Broadband expansion.

Cheryl Franks, County Treasurer, introduced the new Treasurer's Assistant, Lisa Keyser.

Carole Plunkey from the Pine River Water Shed Association discussed what their volunteer five (5) member board are involved with. The association works to conserve the Pine River and its tributaries and to reduce sediment, soil erosion and invasive species.

Jeff Brackett, 911 Director, joined the meeting to present Smart911, an online statewide 911 service provided by any supporting 911 facility or Public Safety Service.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Brege to reappoint Bonnie Cornelius to the Board of Directors of Northeast Michigan Community Mental Health for a three year term expiring on March 31, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Brege, seconded by Brummund to approve pre-authorized claims and open claims presented for payment between 1/18/2017 to 1/31/2017 for check numbers 128883 to 129019 in the amount of \$123,358.70 and E-check numbers 569 to 577 in the amount of \$168,383.55 for a grand total of \$291,742.25.

Roll Call: Yes - Vichunas, Brummund, Wnuk, Brege and Johnston. No - None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Brege to transfer \$4,500.00 from 101-969-999.010 Child Care Fund Appropriation and increase 101-130-941.000 Trial Court Contingency Fund to cover health care costs for Trial Court employees.

Roll Call: Yes – Vichunas, Brummund, Brege and Johnston. No - Wnuk

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Brege to transfer \$29,000.00 from 101-969-999.010 Child Care Fund Appropriation and increase 101-259-941.000 Central Data Contingency for BS&A.

Roll Call: Yes – Brummund, Wnuk, Brege, Johnston and Vichunas. No - None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Cheryl Franks, County Treasurer, presented her report on investments for December 2016.

Motion by Vichunas, seconded by Brummund to approve the proposed amendment to the Alcona County Personnel Policy with regard to holiday, vacation and sick time for permanent part-time employment classification purposes (see attached).

Roll Call: Yes – Brege, Johnston, Vichunas and Brummund. No – Wnuk

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Vichunas to reduce the fee of the current HarborTown rental agreement for Suite #3 to \$100 and to provide a 15-day notice before vacating.

Roll Call: Yes – Vichunas, Brummund, Wnuk, Brege and Johnston. No – None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

COMMUNICATIONS:

Discussion was held in regard to the draft master plan for the Tri-Townships Planning Committee.

Erin Mahalak has been appointed as the new Union Steward for Teamsters Local 214.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jason Ogden from the Alpena Newspaper requested headshots of each Commissioner to possibly attach individual photos to future articles.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m. Board returned at 11:45 a.m. for a study session of the Alcona County Board of Commissioners Bylaws and for further discussion of MERS. Study session adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

Next regular meeting to be held on Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

Clerk

Chairman