

The **regular meeting** of the Alcona County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Building in the City of Harrisville, Michigan on Wednesday, **March 1, 2017** at 10:00 A.M.

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

Invocation given by commissioner Brege.

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, County Treasurer.

Motion by Vichunas, seconded by Brummund to approve the minutes from the February 15, 2017 regular meeting.
MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jay Jacobs, Public Affairs Director for Consumers Energy, spoke regarding oak wilt and reported that there will be two town hall meetings, one on March 20th and one in June to inform the public when tree trimming and removal will occur.

PRESENTATIONS:

Matt Perkins, Under-sheriff, presented the 2017 Forest Service Contract for summer patrol.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Brege, seconded by Brummund, to approve pre-authorized claims and open claims presented for payment between 2/15/2017 to 2/28/2017, for check numbers 129189 to 129370 in the amount of \$285,398.73 and E-check number 589 to 595 in the amount of \$211,162.34 for a grand total of \$496,561.07. Roll call: Yes- Brege, Brummund, Vichunas, Wnuk and Johnson. No- None
MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Finance committee submitted a report on the budget status and reported that refunds totaling \$1050.00 would be made to various kennels for overpayments in recent years.

HarborTown rental agreement was removed from the agenda.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Wnuk to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Proclamation declaring April 2017 as Social Host Awareness month.
MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Vichunas to approve the request from the Harrisville Arts Council to allow them to use only the courthouse grounds for the 2017 Harmony Festival Weekend.
Discussion held.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Wnuk to table the motion.
MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Vichunas, seconded by Brummund to allow CanPac Council to use the courthouse grounds on Friday, March 31, 2017 to kick off Child Abuse Prevention month.
MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Brege to approve the 2017 Cooperative Law Enforcement agreement with the US Forest Service and authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the county.
MOTION CARRIED

Chairman Johnston reported on a communication he received from the Alcona Library director requesting a letter of support for a grant proposal that would create a reading garden and book trail.

Motion by Vichunas, seconded by Brummund to authorize the chairman sign a letter of support for the Alcona Library grant proposal. MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Franks submitted her report on investment for January 2017 and reported on the number of parcels in the foreclosure status.

The board acknowledged receipt of the Draft 2017 Mikado Township Master Plan for comment.

Commissioners gave brief reports on the meetings they recently attended.

Motion by Wnuk, seconded by Brege to adjourn the meeting. MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Clerk

Chairman