

The **regular meeting** of the Alcona County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Building in the City of Harrisville, Michigan on Wednesday, **June 2, 2021** at 1:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Adam Brege, Chairman.

Invocation was given by Adam Brege, Chairman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Commissioners present: Adam Brege, Chairman, Dan Gauthier, Vice Chairman, Carolyn Brummund, William Thompson and Terry Small. Also present: Stephany Eller, County Clerk and Cheryl Franks, County Treasurer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Small, to approve the May 19, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes and the May 24, 2021 Special Meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Judy French, Harrisville Township resident, requested that the two proposed resolutions presented at the May 19, 2021 regular meeting be adopted by the Board.

Jennifer Lueck, Trial Court Administrator, informed the Board of SCAO Administrative Order 2020-14 and discussed the Trial Courts status.

PRESENTATIONS:

Rich Castle, Community Affairs Manager, stated that a new Consumers office is open in Tawas. Mr. Castle further informed the Board of the new street light app that can be utilized from Consumers and this year's intent to help sponsor the Alcona County Fair.

Melissa Upper, Region III Solution Area Planner, spoke in regard to the Homeland Security Grant offered through FEMA and the need for a new Fiduciary for this Grant from the 14 counties within Region III.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Thompson, to approve pre-authorized claims and open claims presented for payment between 5/19/2021 and 6/01/2021 for check numbers 144309 to 144422 and E-check numbers 1584 to 1591 for a grand total of \$257,193.69.

Roll Call: Yes – Brummund, Brege, Small, Thompson and Gauthier

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Brummund, to approve the continuation of the Workshare Program through September 4, 2021.

Roll Call: Thompson, Small, Gauthier and Brummund

No – Brege

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brege, seconded by Thompson, to approve creation of a Budget Coordinator Lead position and a Budget Coordinator Assistant position to monitor and assist the Board of Commissioners regarding the budget. Positions to expire 12/31/2021 for the Boards consideration of renewal for 2022.

Roll Call: Yes – Gauthier, Brummund, Thompson, Small and Brege

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Thompson, to adopt the updated Covid-19 “Preparedness and Response Plan”.

Roll Call: Yes – Thompson, Brege, Brummund and Gauthier

No – Small

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Brummund, to open the building effective Thursday, June 3, 2021.

Roll Call: Yes – Brummund, Thomspson, Gauthier and Brege

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Small, to approve the wage adjustment to the level the former Trial Court Administrator was set at in the amount of \$73,635.00 to be paid the first pay period after the June 8, 2021 anniversary date.

Roll Call: Yes – Thompson, Small, Brege, Brummund and Gauthier

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Brege, to transfer \$10,000.00 from 101-890-999.000 *CONTINGENCY-TRANSFER* to 101-101-801.000 *Legal Services* for a total of \$17,576.81.

Roll Call: Yes – Brummund, Small, Thompson, Brege and Gauthier

No - None

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCE REPORT:

Motion by Brege, seconded by Gauthier, to appoint Cheryl Franks as the Lead Budget Coordinator and Sheila Scott as the Assistant Budget Coordinator.

Roll Call: Yes – Brummund, Gauthier, Brege, Small and Thompson

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

PERSONNEL REPORT:

Commissioner Brummund stated Personnel has begun union negotiations with the former COAM and the United Steelworkers.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Treasurer Franks stated that she is finishing up with the audit and getting ready for the upcoming tax season. Franks also stated that 1,300 delinquent tax bills were recently mailed.

CLERK’S REPORT:

Clerk Eller requested clarification of motions made today’s date.

Motion by Brege, seconded by Gauthier, to make the newly created Budget Coordinator positions pay retro to January 1, 2021 and to be paid out the last pay in June.

Roll Call: Yes – Thompson, Small, Gauthier, Brummund and Brege

No - None

MOTION CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS:

Montcalm County Resolution, Huron County Resolution, Chippewa County Resolution and the 2021 Final State Equalization Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jennifer Lueck, Trial Court Administrator, stated her concern with the reopening of the building and the status of the Trial Court.

At 3:07 p.m. the Board recessed.

At 3:17 p.m. the Board resumed with all members present.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Small, to move into closed session to discuss union negotiations.

Roll Call: Brege, Small, Thompson, Gauthier and Brummund

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

At 3:18 p.m. the Board moved into closed session.

At 3:47 p.m. the Board resumed the Regular Meeting.

Roll Call: Gauthier, Brummund, Small, Thompson and Brege

Motion by Thompson, seconded Gauthier, to proceed with POLC union negotiations as discussed in closed session.

Roll Call: Brege, Brummund, Gauthier, Small and Thompson

No - None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Small, to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED

At 3:48 p.m. the meeting adjourned to the next **Special Meeting** to be held on **Wednesday, June 9, 2021** at 3:00 p.m.

County Clerk

Chairman