The **regular meeting** of the Alcona County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Building in the City of Harrisville, Michigan on Wednesday, **August 1, 2018** at 10:00 a.m.

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

Invocation given by Commissioner Wnuk.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Wnuk, to approve the minutes from the July 18, 2018 regular meeting.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

# **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

Sheriff Atchison joined the meeting and swore in his new under-sheriff, Scott Stephenson.

# **PRESENTATIONS:**

Frances Whitney, presented NEMCSA's Annual Report.

Alysa Pichler, Court Administrator, submitted an amendment to the Child Care Budget Summary and requested authorization for the Chairman to sign.

Kerry Scott, presented the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter report on building permit fees. Permits are down compared to the same time last year.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Gauthier, to adopt Resolution #2018-12 authorizing the Drain Commissioner to sign an Engagement Letter with Clark Hill.

#### **RESOLUTION #2018-12**

Whereas it is the desire to take corrective, constructive action at the outlet of the north end of Cedar Lake for the purposes of providing for a safe exit of water yet with safe road passage over same,

And whereas it is the responsibility of the Drain Commission of Alcona County to initiate taking appropriate action for completion of the project,

And whereas the Alcona County Board of Commissioners oversees the Alcona County Drain Commission.

Now therefore, the Alcona County Board of Commissioners approve and authorize the Drain Commissioner to sign and proceed with the engagement of Clark Hill as Bond or Note Counsel for the Cedar Lake Level Control Structure Special Assessment District.

Roll Call: Yes – Brege, Brummund, Wnuk, Gauthier and Johnston No – None MOTION CARRIED

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Brummund, to approve pre-authorized claims and open claims presented for payment between 7/18/2018 to 7/31/2018 for check numbers 134476 to 134608 and E-check numbers 858 to 869 for a grand total of \$935,104.99

Roll Call: Yes – Brege, Brummund, Wnuk, Gauthier and Johnston No – None MOTION CARRIED

Finance committee reported on the status of the budget and discussed use of funds from the Employee Vacation and Sick Pay Fund #730 to pay for accrued employee leave time when they terminate employment.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Gauthier, to approve the lease agreement between the Economic Development Corporation of Alcona County and the State of Michigan for space at Harbortown.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Gauthier, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Proclamation proclaiming the week of September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Gauthier, to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the amended Child Care Budget Summary (DHS-2091).

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Motion by Wnuk, seconded by Brummund, to adopt Resolution #2018-13 Opposing Baiting Ban.

# RESOLUTION # 2018-13 OPPOSING ANY BAITING BAN

**Whereas,** the proposed Department of Natural Resource commission plan to eliminate baiting of deer and the banning of the sale of bait in Alcona County is not in the best interest or overall economic impact for Alcona County or the State of Michigan

**Whereas,** the Michigan Department of Natural Resources have conceded that there is an overpopulation of whitetail deer in the State of Michigan, and that the citizen hunter is the tool of choice to harvest and control this overpopulation.

**Whereas,** the baiting of deer is a proven and effective method of increasing a hunter's success rate.

**Now Therefore**, the Alcona County Board of Commissioners, at their August 1, 2018 full board meeting, resolved to adamantly oppose any baiting ban within the State of Michigan, including banning the sale of bait within Alcona County, and further a copy of this resolution be sent to Senator Jim Stamas, Representative Sue Allor, Congressmen Jack Bergman and the Department of Natural Resource Commission expressing the opposition to a baiting ban including the sale of bait in Alcona County.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS:**

Ayes: Brege, Brummund, Gauthier, Wnuk and Johnston

Nays: None

# **RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED**

Motion by Wnuk, seconded by Brummund, to re-affirm Resolution #2017-09 Opposing the Legalization of Marijuana.

MOTION CARRIED

Clerk to re-advertise the DHHS Board member vacancy as no letters of interest were received.

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

Roll call: Yes – Brummund, Gauthier, Brege, Wnuk and Johnston No – None MOTION CARRIED

Closed session held at 10:41 a.m.

Returned to regular session at 11:10 a.m. with all member present.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Brege, to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Union Agreements with the Command Officers Associations and the Police Officers Association upon presentation of the signed written documents.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Brege, to close the courthouse at noon on Friday, August 31<sup>st</sup> to allow for the set-up of the Art Fair. MOTION CARRIED

# **COMMITTEE REPORT:**

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

Chairman called a special meeting for August 9, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. for budget review and to consider and or approve any submitted ballot language for November 6, 2018 General Election.	
Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.	
Clerk	Chairman