

The **regular meeting** of the Alcona County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Building in the City of Harrisville, Michigan on Wednesday, **April 7, 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 March 17, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS:

Dan O'Connor, Alcona Community Schools Superintendent, briefed the Board on school updates and the need to shift to remote learning.

Diane Rasch, Housing Commission, gave an update and informed the Board of the need to reappointment expired Housing Commission Board members.

Melissa Cordes, Register of Deeds, provided a quarterly report for the Boards review.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Moved by Brummund, seconded by Thompson, to approve the May 17, 2021 EMS motion upon the approval of the amendment as offered to purchase the McCoy Miller Ambulance remounted on a Ford E-450 gas 4 x 2 chassis at the cost of \$128,516.00 with the option to finance with Republic First National Bank with a down payment of \$64,258.00; APR 3.77% totaling \$23,055.76 per year if financing is chosen for 3 years.

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Brummund, to approve pre-authorized claims and open claims presented for payment between 3/17/2021 and 4/06/2021 for check numbers 143565 to 143830 and E-check numbers 1538 to 1551 for a grand total of \$2,488,325.79.

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

Commissioner Brege provided the amended County Credit Card Policy for the Boards review.

Commissioner Brummund updated the Board on the status of the MIDC contract standards.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Brummund, to continue the current County building closure through May 7, 2021.

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

At this time Jennifer Lueck, Trial Court Administrator, updated the Board on the current status of the Courts and the possibility of moving back to Phase I upon recently moving back to Phase II.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Small, to hire a part-time employee at 28 hours per week through the Teamsters Union for the Register of Deeds office.

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

No – Brummund

MOTION CARRIED

Commissioner Brege presented a job description for a contractual budget analysis/coordinator for the Boards review.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Thompson, to approve the Veterans Affairs Committee Board members, to include Alan McGowen, James Pangonis and Ken Hubbard, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCE REPORT:

Commissioner Gauthier updated the Board on some pending bills.

PERSONNEL REPORT:

Commissioner Brummund stated most personnel issues will be addressed during closed session.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Franks informed the Board that about half of the Township settlements have been completed and that there are currently 12 properties pending tax foreclosure.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Clerk Eller stated that the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) renewal for 2021/2022 is almost complete.

COMMUNICATIONS: Genesee County Resolution, Berrien County Resolution, Cheboygan County Resolutions #2021-06 and #2021-07, Hillsdale County Resolution,

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Commissioners gave brief reports on the various committee meetings they recently attended. Commissioner Brummund requested the Board authorize \$4,800.00 for Harbortown to be power washed and painted.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Thompson, to request authorization from the Board for \$4,800.00 to power wash and paint Harbortown.

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

No - None

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Melissa Cordes, Register of Deeds, thanked the Board for approving the part-time position within her office.

Scott Rice, EMS Director, informed the Board that the March Write-offs were in the amount of \$36,141.97. Rice further presented the RAVE contract for the Boards approval.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Gauthier, to approve the RAVE Mobile Safety Contract and allow the Chair to sign.

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

At 2:54 p.m. the Board recessed.

At 3:05 p.m. the Board resumed with all members present.

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

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

At 4:08 p.m. the regular meeting resumed.

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

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Small, to return the Friend of the Court Union Contract to Personnel for modification.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Brummund, to proceed with the EMS grievance as discussed in closed session.

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

No – Small

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Thompson, to proceed with the POLC negotiations as agreed in closed session.

At 4:08 p.m. the meeting adjourned to the next **regular meeting** to be held on Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

County Clerk

Chairman