

The **regular meeting** of the Alcona County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Building in the City of Harrisville, Michigan on Wednesday, **October 6, 2021** at 1:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m. by Adam Brege, Chairman.

Invocation was given by Adam Brege, Chairman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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 September 15, 2021, Regular Meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Hansen, Building and Grounds, gave an update on the roof project. Contractors to meet at the county building on October 13th at 10:00 a.m. Bids to be submitted by October 28th at 3:00 p.m.

Gary Wnuk, Mitchell Township resident, thanked the Board for their service to Alcona County.

PRESENTATIONS:

Troy Somers, Equalization Director, submitted a Resolution Approving the 2021 Apportionment Report for the Boards consideration.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Thompson, to approve the Equalization Resolution Approving the 2021 Apportionment Report and authorize the Chair to sign as follows:

**RESOLUTION #2021-10
ALCONA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2021 APPORTIONMENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO MICHIGAN COMPILED LAW 211.37**

WHEREAS, Michigan Compiled Law 211.36 requires each township clerk to submit to the County Clerk on or before September 30 each year a statement which sets forth the amount of money to be raised in the Township by Taxation;

WHEREAS, Michigan Compiled Law 211.37 requires the County Board of Commissioners to hold an apportionment session and approve an Apportionment Report in October of each year;

WHEREAS, at the annual apportionment session, the County Board of Commissioners must examine documents and records submitted to the Board that show the amount of money to be raised by ad valorem levies in each Township for schools, highway, drains, township operations, and all other purposes as authorized by law and required the correction of any defects or omissions with regard to those levies; and

WHEREAS, the action of the County Board of Commissioners concerning the spread of these levies is final, except in situations where a change is made to the equalization of the County through an equalization appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal or a Levy passed at the November elections; and

WHEREAS, the action of the County Board of Commissioners for 2021 will be the official authorization for 12 taxing authorities within the County to levy property taxes for 2021, and

WHEREAS, the Alcona County Equalization Department has prepared an Apportionment Report for consideration by the County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Apportionment Report, if approved, will provide final authorization for the levy of property taxes upon which taxing authorities depend to provide educational, health, economic development, public safety, and other services which are important to the well-being of the county's economy and Alcona County Residents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the attached 2021 Apportionment Report showing the millage levies apportioned to various taxing authorities in Alcona County for the year 2021 is hereby approved in accordance with Michigan Compiled Law 211.37; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alcona Board of Commissioners, under the authority of Michigan Compiled Law 211.37, directs that the millage rates specified in the attached 2021 Apportionment Report for Township, school, highway, drain, and all other purposes as authorized by law shall be spread against the taxable value of properties on the proper assessment rolls of the Townships and Cities in the County.

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

Gary Wnuk, Mitchell Township resident, presented a Resolution of Support of our Citizens' First Amendment Rights for the Boards consideration.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Small, to approve pre-authorized claims and open claims presented for payment between 9/15/2021 and 10/06/2021 for check numbers 145462 to 145649 and E-check numbers 1674 to 1689 for a grand total of \$675,111.59.

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

Sheriff Scott Stephenson explained the Waiver of Conflict and Consent to Representation Regarding Review of the Interlocal Agreement between Iosco and Alcona County.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Gauthier, to approve the Waiver of Conflict letter and authorize the Chair to sign.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Gauthier, to approve the Jail Contract with Iosco County and authorize the Chair to sign.

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brege, seconded by Small, to authorize the Chair to sign the Child Care Budget Summary upon change of contact information.

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Gauthier, to approve the request for bids as submitted by Building and Grounds.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Brege, seconded by Thompson, to approve the Resolution of Support of our Citizens' First Amendment Rights.

Roll Call: Yes – None

No – Brummund, Thompson, Small, Gauthier and Brege

MOTION FAILED

At 2:19 p.m. the Board recessed.

At 2:28 p.m. the Board resumed.

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

MOTION CARRIED

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

At 2:28 p.m. the Board moved into closed session.

At 3:23 p.m. the Regular Meeting resumed.

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

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Thompson, to approve the POLC grievance settlement as discussed during closed session of 160 hours of severance pay at the rate of pay at the time of separation.

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Small, to authorize the Chair to sign the Emergency Action Guidelines for Alcona County.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Brummund, to approve the Emergency Management Performance Work Agreement for 2022.

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

FINANCE REPORT:

Commissioners Gauthier and Brege informed the Board of continued work with the 2022 budget. Brege requested the Commissioners meet with any of the departments that they have committee assignments with in regard to their budgets.

PERSONNEL REPORT:

Commissioners Brummund and Thompson met with Department heads to discuss any concerns that they may have regarding the Teamsters 214 Union Contract as negotiations are to begin.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Frank's requested guidance from the Board in regard to the NMRE facility funds budget and stated that reminder notices for dog licenses are being sent out in the form of postcards and that as of the end of September the fund balance was in the black.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Clerk Eller went through the communications as to webinars, guidance, surveys and invites.

COMMUNICATIONS:

NEMCOG ARPA Webinar Invite, MI Department of Treasury CIP FY 2022 Program Guidance, 15th Biennial State Survey and Remonumentation Program Report, Tuscola County Resolution, Delta County Resolution and Kalkaska County Resolution.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Commissioners gave brief reports on the various committee meetings they recently attended. Personnel informed the Board that the Veterans Affairs office is looking into a part-time person and discussion was held regarding the Forest Service building.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jessica Dobbs, Curtis Township resident, thanked the Board for taking the time to listen to Gary Wnuk's resolution request and bringing it to the table for a vote.

At 3:51 p.m. the meeting adjourned to the next **Regular Meeting** to be held on **Wednesday, October 20, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.**

County Clerk

Chairman