

The **regular meeting** of the Alcona County Board of Commissioners was held in the County Building in the City of Harrisville, Michigan on Wednesday, **September 15, 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, Carolyn Brummund, William Thompson and Terry Small. Absent: Dan Gauthier. Also present: Trena MacNeill, Deputy County Clerk and Cheryl Franks, County Treasurer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Small, to approve the September 1, 2021, Regular Meeting minutes and E-check numbers 1652 and 1658.

Roll Call: Yes-Brummund, Small, Brege and Thompson

No - None

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tamara Quick, Haynes Township resident, Jerry Klingenberg, Harrisville Township resident, Jeffrey Dobbs, Harrisville Township resident, Jessica Dobbs, Harrisville Township resident, Susanne Baksis, Harrisville Township resident and Pam McKinnon, Hawes Township resident, spoke to the Board in support of the Resolution in Support of Vaccine Awareness and Medical Autonomy.

PRESENTATIONS:

Scott Stephenson, Sheriff, gave the Board an update on closing the jail and the possibility of a 3-year contract with Iosco County to house prisoners. Stephenson stated there is a substantial need for Sheriff's Deputies and that he is researching a lease for new patrol cars in 2022. The 2022 Budget looks accurate other than adding a line item for the cost of the contract for housing prisoners.

Robert Turek, Harrisville Township resident, presented to the Board a Resolution in Support of Vaccine Awareness and Medical Autonomy.

Motion by Brege, seconded by Small, to approve the Resolution in Support of Vaccine Awareness and Medical Autonomy.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Brege, to amend the Resolution in Support of Vaccine Awareness and Medical Autonomy as presented and change the second to the last paragraph to each of the counties in the United States to each of the Counties in Michigan and to eliminate the final sentence in the 5th paragraph to encourage employers in Alcona County to establish mandates.

Roll Call: Yes – Brummund

No – Small, Brege and Thompson

MOTION FAILED

Amendment to motion failed. Roll Call vote on original Motion.

Roll Call: Yes-Brummund

No - Thompson, Brege and Small

MOTION FAILED

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Brege, seconded by Thompson, to approve pre-authorized claims and open claims presented for payment between 9/01/2021 and 9/14/2021 for check numbers 145330 to 145461 and E-check numbers 1659 to 1673 for a grand total of \$769,287.72.

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

No – None

MOTION CARRIED

At this time Commissioner Brege brought the Housing Preservation Grant Agreement to the attention of the Board and signed it.

Motion by Brummund, seconded by Thompson, to approve and waive the 30-day wait period for the Mikado Township Prohibition of Hunting on Township-owned Property Ordinance.

MOTION CARRIED

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Franks informed the Board that there are some changes that need to be done to the 2022 Budget and that she is in contact with the necessary departments and awaiting updated numbers from the Clerk's Office. Franks further informed the Board that the tax sale was successful and that a new program is available that will assist people who are in need of relief with housing needs or taxes and it's to be finalized after December.

PERSONNEL REPORT:

Commissioner Brummund stated that Personnel is spending time on Union Contracts and expressed thanks to the Clerk's Office for going over certain points of the contracts that need clarification.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Deputy Clerk MacNeill informed the Board of the ongoing jury trial this week and that the Clerk's office is continuing to work on the 2022 budget, working closely with the Treasurer's office and Finance.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Roscommon County Resolution

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

Craig Johnston gave an update on the Road Commission and the resurfacing of F-41 towards Mikado all the way to US-23. He also notified the Board that Road Commission permit fees may be changing.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

William Sickner, Mikado Township resident, spoke regarding adverse reactions to the "MRA injections" that are called vaccines and asked the Board to do their research.

Rosie Parin, Gustin Township resident, spoke to the Board in opposition of vaccine mandates and the importance of the County doing something about the mandate.

At 2:30 p.m. the meeting adjourned to the next **Regular Meeting** to be held on **Wednesday, October 6, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.**

County Clerk

Chairman