

## Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

December 1, 2014

The Alpena Township Board of Trustees met in a regular session on Monday, December 1, 2014 at 7:00pm at the Alpena Township Offices, 4385 US-23 North, Alpena, Michigan. Roll call found present: Supervisor Twite, Treasurer Diamond, Clerk Thusat, and Trustees: Poli, Fournier, and Dunckel. Trustee Mischley was absent. Attorney James Florip was also present.

Adopt Agenda: A motion was made by Treasurer Diamond and supported by Trustee Dunckel to adopt the agenda. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public Comment: Comments from the public included concerns about the infiltration charge on water bills, clearing the Bike Path during the winter months and changes in park management for Rockport.

Minutes: It was moved by Trustee Dunckel and supported by Trustee Poli to approve the minutes from November 3, 2014, as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Correspondence: It was moved by Trustee Dunckel and supported by Trustee Fournier to receive and file the following: Alpena Township - Financial Statement, Huron Humane Society – Minutes – November 18, 2014, Charter – Notice of Intent to Renew Franchise Agreement, Alpena County Road Commission – Road Report, and Thank You card – B. Kaszubowski, Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Old Business: Supervisor Twite brought a request to remove the infiltration charge for property owners that don't have a Sump Pump/Crock to the Board. After a discussion, no action was taken. Supervisor Twite said that she will have Gerald Bleau monitor the situation and come back with a proposal.

Alpena Township Flood Investigation – Issue was tabled. Supervisor Twite said she will get more info and come back to the Board.

New Business: Request for Membership Fee – NEMCOG, A motion was made by Trustee Dunckel and supported by Trustee Fournier to approval the \$1210 annual membership fee for NEMCOG. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Poli, Fournier, Twite, Diamond, Thusat and Dunckel. Nays: None.

Request for Permit: A motion was made by Trustee Dunckel and supported by Trustee Fournier to approve a permit for the Long Lake Lights Festival on June 27, 2015. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Fournier, Twite, Diamond, Thusat, Dunckel and Poli. Nays: None.

MTA – New Officials Training: A motion was made by Trustee Fournier and supported by Treasurer Diamond to allow Trustee Poli to attend MTA New Officials Training in Gaylord on

December 3, 2014. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Twite, Diamond, Thusat, Dunckel, Poli, and Fournier. Nays: None.

Transportation Bonanza Workshop: No action was taken.

Summer Tax Collection: Received a request from Alpena Public Schools to collect Summer Taxes. A motion was made by Treasurer Diamond and support by Trustee Fournier to deny this request to collect the Summer School Tax. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

#### Department Reports:

Building Permits - 15 Building permits were issued for October 2014, generating \$2895.00 in fees for the month and a year-to-date total of 124 permits generating \$122,250.25.

Electrical Permits – 13 Electrical permits were issued in October 2014 generating \$1643.00 in fees and a year-to-date total of 100 permits generating \$18,882.00.

Fire Department: Request to Purchase Jacket for \$1300.00 A motion was made by Trustee Dunckel and supported by Trustee Fournier to purchase a new Jacket for \$1300.00. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Diamond, Thusat, Dunckel, Poli, Fournier and Twite. Nays: None.

Water Department: Request to purchase trailer to haul equipment. Jerry received a quote from Bader Bros for \$3575.00 for a new trailer. A motion was made by Trustee Dunckel and supported by Trustee Fournier to approve the purchase of a trailer from Bader Bros for \$3575.00. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Thusat, Dunckel, Poli, Fournier, Twite and Diamond. Nays: None.

Request to purchase saw. Jerry received a quote from Bader Bros for \$983.96 for a new saw. A motion was made by Trustee Fournier and supported by Trustee Dunckel to purchase a new saw from Bader Bros for \$ 983.96. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Dunckel, Poli, Fournier, Twite, Diamond and Thusat. Nays: None.

Jerry informed the Board that two more hydrants and been fixed.

Discussion: Trustee Dunckel gave an update on the Application to U of M School of Natural Resources for the South Bay Corridor Improvement Project. The application has been completed and submitted.

Payment of Bills: A motion was made by Treasurer Diamond and supported by Trustee Fournier to pay the bills. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Poli, Fournier, Twite, Diamond, Thusat and Dunckel. Nays: None.

Closed Session: A motion was made by Trustee Dunckel and supported by Trustee Fournier to move into closed session for Attorney/Client Privileged Communication and Labor Negotiations – Healthcare/Wages. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: Yeas: Fournier, Twite, Diamond, Thusat, Dunckel and Poli. Nays: None.

Open Session: Motion was made by Treasurer Diamond and supported by Trustee Fournier to move into open session. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Twite, Diamond, Thusat, Dunckel, Poli and Fournier. Nays: None.

Adjourn: At 8:25pm a motion to adjourn was made by Treasurer Diamond and supported by Trustee Fournier. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted

**T. Juergen Thusat**  
Alpena Township Clerk