

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ALPENA-BOARD OF TRUSTEES
February 28, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.
REGULAR MINUTES**

The Charter Township of Alpena Board of Trustees met in Regular session on Monday, February 28, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Charter Township of Alpena Offices, 4385 US 23 North, Alpena, MI 49707.

Present: Supervisor Nathan Skibbe
Clerk Michele Palevich
Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers
Trustee Russ Rhynard
Trustee Norm Poli
Trustee Steve Lappan

Absent: Trustee Cash Kroll

Others present: Attorney Tim Gulden

Supervisor Nathan Skibbe called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken; the following board members were present: Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele Palevich, Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers, Trustee Russ Rhynard and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. Absent: Trustee Cash Kroll.

AGENDA

Moved by Clerk Michele Palevich and supported by Trustee Steve Lappan to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of New Business item #2 Brownfield Redevelopment Presentation. Voice Vote. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Moved by Trustee Steve Lappan and supported by Supervisor Nathan Skibbe to approve the payment of bills as presented. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Clerk Michele Palevich, Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers, Trustee Russ Rhynard, Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Cash Kroll. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

February 8, 2022 (Regular), February 15, 2022 (Budget), February 22, 2022 (Special)

Moved by Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers and supported by Trustee Russ Rhynard to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Voice Vote. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence included: Planning Commission Public Hearing Minutes - January 31, 2022, Planning Commission Public Hearing Minutes - February 14, 2022, Long Lake Improvement Association Letter, AT&T Notice of 3G Network Sunset. Moved by Trustee Norm Poli and supported by Clerk Michele Palevich to receive and file correspondence. Voice Vote. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC HEARING – ALPENA RETAIL NORTH LLC

Moved by Clerk Michele Palevich and supported by Trustee Steve Lappan to open the public hearing for Alpena Retail North LLC. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Trustee Russ Rhynard, Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele Palevich, Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Cash Kroll. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION – ALPENA RETAIL NORTH BROWNFIELD PLAN

Mac McClelland, Executive Director of the Alpena Township Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, gave the Township Board a presentation on the overview of the Brownfield Redevelopment plan for the Alpena Retail North project.

PUBLIC HEARING – ALPENA RETAIL NORTH LLC

There was no public input during the public hearing for Alpena Retail North LLC. Moved by Trustee Russ Rhynard and supported by Trustee Norm Poli to close the public hearing for Alpena Retail North LLC. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele Palevich, Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers, Trustee Russ Rhynard and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Cash Kroll. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

APPROVING BROWNFIELD PLAN FOR THE ALPENA RETAIL NORTH REDEVELOPMENT

Supervisor Nathan Skibbe read the Resolution Approving the Brownfield Plan for the Alpena Retail North Redevelopment Project that was recommended by Alpena Township Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (ATBRA) Executive Director, Mac McClelland. Moved by Clerk Michele Palevich and supported by Trustee Russ Rhynard to adopt as presented the Resolution Approving Brownfield Plan for the Alpena Retail North Redevelopment Project. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele Palevich, Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers, Trustee Russ Rhynard, Trustee Norm Poli, and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Cash Kroll. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

The Township Board was presented with budget adjustments prepared by Clerk Michele Palevich and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. Moved by Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers and supported by Trustee Steve Lappan to approve the budget adjustments as presented with the addition of GL# 592-537-973.000, Communications Equipment, increase \$1581.00 and GL# 592-537-931.000, Maintenance on System, decrease \$1581.00. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Clerk Michele Palevich, Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers, Trustee Russ Rhynard, Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Cash Kroll. Motion carried unanimously.

ROAD NAME

Moved by Trustee Russ Rhynard and supported by Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers to table the renaming of Chip and Dale Road to the March 8, 2022 Board of Trustees meeting. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Trustee Russ Rhynard and Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers. NAYES: Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele Palevich and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. Absent: Trustee Cash Kroll. Motion failed.

Moved by Clerk Michele Palevich and supported by Trustee Norm Poli to approve the renaming of Chip and Dale Road to Bronco Trail. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele Palevich and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: Trustee Russ Rhynard and Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers. Absent: Trustee Cash Kroll. Motion carried.

COPIER/PRINTER/FAX LEASE

Clerk Michele Palevich presented the Township Board with three quotes for a five-year copier/printer/fax lease. Supervisor Nathan Skibbe recommended the Township Board accept the quote from Applied Images as presented. Moved by Trustee Steve Lappan and supported by Clerk Michele Palevich to accept the quote as presented from Applied Images for a five-year copier/printer/fax lease and document folder. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Trustee Russ Rhynard, Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele Palevich, Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Cash Kroll. Motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

Attorney/Client Privilege – Confidential Written Legal Opinion

Moved by Trustee Steve Lappan and supported by Trustee Norm Poli that the Township Board enter into closed session for attorney/client privilege for discussion of attorney's written opinion. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele Palevich, Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers, Trustee Russ Rhynard and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Cash Kroll. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered closed session at 7:04 p.m.

The Board left closed session at 7:28 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joe Collins commented on marihuana.
Dr. Donald Spaeth commented on marihuana.
Lloyd McClung commented on marihuana.
Eric Hansen commented on marihuana.
AJ MacArthur commented on marihuana.
Pastor Warren Hoffman commented on marihuana.
Pastor Gary Smith commented on marihuana.
Major Theresa Morrison commented on marihuana.
Paster Carey Clark commented on marihuana.
Terry Denmark commented on marihuana.
Mark Collins commented on marihuana.

DISCUSSION

Trustee Russ Rhynard inquired on when the Zoning Ordinance Amendment from the Planning Commission will be brought to the Township Board. No date has been determined.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Norm Poli and supported by Trustee Steve Lappan to adjourn. Voice Vote. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Clerk Michele P. Palevich

Supervisor Nathan Skibbe