

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ALPENA-BOARD OF TRUSTEES
April 22, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.
MINUTES**

The Charter Township of Alpena Board of Trustees met in Regular session on Monday, April 22, 2019 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 P. Palevich
Treasurer Laura L. Ellery-Somers
Trustee Norm Poli
Trustee Cash Kroll
Trustee Steve Lappan

Absent: Trustee Matt Dunckel

Others present: Attorney Tim Gulden

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

ROLL CALL

Roll was called; the following board members were present: Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele P. Palevich, Treasurer Laura L. Ellery-Somers, Trustee Cash Kroll and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. Absent: Trustee Matt Dunckel.

AGENDA

Moved by Trustee Cash Kroll and supported by Trustee Norm Poli to approve the agenda as presented with the following amendments: Under New Business delete Foreclosed Properties (2016 Taxes) and add Alpena County Road Commission Agreements, Remove Closed Session – Contract Negotiations – Local 1859. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele P. Palevich, Treasurer Laura L. Ellery-Somers, Trustee Cash Kroll, Trustee Norm Poli and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Matt Dunckel. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Larry Clark thanked the Board for its funding of South Bay and gave an update on the Partridge Point Park.

PRESENTATION – STEWARDS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ALPENA NATURE PRESERVE

Elizabeth Littler advised the Board that the Stewards of the Charter Township of Alpena Nature Preserve have been meeting monthly and would be giving the Board their recommendations for the preserve, such as no hunting or trapping within the preserve. They are not a 501C. William Huston, a member and representative of the Alpena Karst Conservancy, supports sustainable recreation opportunities at the preserve. Don Beem invited the board to hike the preserve and will let us know when the Dwarf Lake Iris is in bloom. The board was also advised that Specific Stove donated 2 large stones to be placed at each of the preserve's entries. Supervisor Nathan Skibbe was getting a quote on cost for engraving the stones.

MINUTES

March 25, 2019 (Special), March 25, 2019 (Regular) and April 9, 2019

Moved by Trustee Norm Poli and supported by Trustee Steve Lappan to approve the meeting minutes as presented with the following amendments to the April 9, 2019 minutes: under Qualified Forest Fee add that the motion was supported by Clerk Michele Palevich and to update Post Public Safety Office Position to Post Public Safety Officer Position (added R to Office). Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Clerk Michele P. Palevich, Treasurer Laura L. Ellery-Somers, Trustee Cash Kroll, Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Matt Dunckel. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence included: Township – Planning Commission – Minutes April 8, 2019. Voice Vote. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

BUDGET ADJUSTEMENT FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

Clerk Michele Palevich advised that we are currently able to make adjustments to the chart of accounts while we await the State's final changes for the Uniformed Chart of Accounts. Therefore, a motion was made by Clerk Michele Palevich and supported by Trustee Norm Poli to add Line item # 205-336-970-000 Equipment Mileage Purchases to track all equipment purchased for the Public Safety Department with the equipment mileage. Voice Vote. Ayes: All. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

TOWNSHIP SIGN

Moved by Trustee Norm Poli and supported by Trustee Cash Kroll to move forward with the purchase and installation of a new township sign from Omega Electric & Sign Company Inc. in the amount of \$6,850.00. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele P. Palevich, Treasurer Laura L. Ellery-Somers, Trustee Cash Kroll and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Matt Dunckel. Motion carried unanimously.

AMBULANCE PURCHASE RESOLUTION/INSTALLMENT PURCHASE CONTRACT

Motion made by Clerk Michele Palevich and supported by Trustee Norm Poli to direct Chief Dave Robbins to secure an installment sales contract from Emergency Vehicle Plus for two (2) 2018 McCoy Miller Ford V10 gas ambulances up to \$150,000.00 per ambulance. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele P. Palevich, Treasurer Laura L. Ellery-Somers, Trustee Cash Kroll and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Matt Dunckel. Motion carried unanimously.

CANOPY LIGHT QUOTE- OMEGA

Moved by Treasurer Laura Ellery-Sommers and supported by Trustee Steve Lappan for the purchase and installation of canopy lights for the front entry from Omega Electric & Sign Company Inc. in the amount of \$596.00. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele P. Palevich, Treasurer Laura L. Ellery-Sommers, Trustee Cash Kroll, Trustee Norm Poli and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Matt Dunckel. Motion carried unanimously.

ALPENA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION AGREEMENTS

Supervisor Nathan Skibbe presented the Board with eight (8) Alpena County Road Commission Road Agreements for the following gravel roads: Long Lake Park Road, Bilton Road, Old Long Lake Road, Hanover Road, French Road/Margaret Lane, Turnbull Mill Road, Wessel Road and North Point Road. The agreements are 50/50 match projects between Alpena County Road Commission and the Charter Township of Alpena. Motion was made by Trustee Steve Lappan and supported by Cash Kroll to approve the eight (8) Alpena County Road Commission Agreements in the amount of \$45,141.00. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Clerk Michele P. Palevich, Treasurer Laura L. Ellery-Sommers, Trustee Cash Kroll, Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Trustee Matt Dunckel. Motion carried unanimously.

AMEND AGENDA

Moved by Treasurer Laura Ellery-Sommers and supported by Trustee Steve Lappan to amend the agenda to add Payment of Bills before New Business. Voice Vote. Ayes: All. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim De Rocher gave an update on Thunder Bay Island.

DISCUSSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Norm Poli and supported by Trustee Steve Lappan to adjourn. Voice Vote.
Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Clerk Michele Palevich

Supervisor Nathan Skibbe