

REGULAR MEETING

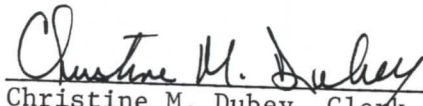
November 4, 2013
The Alpena Township Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, December 2, 2013, at the Alpena Township Offices, 4385 US-23 North, Alpena, Michigan. This is the November 4, 2013, meeting. Roll call found present: Supervisor Twite, Clerk Dubey, Treasurer Diamond and Trustees: Dunckel, Fournier and Mischley. Trustee Schuelke was absent. Attorney James Florip was also present.

Adopt Agenda: There was no Correspondence, Old Business or New Business.

Public Comment: None.

Discussion: None.

Adjourn: It was moved by Trustee Dunckel, seconded by Treasurer Diamond to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.


Christine M. Dubey, Clerk

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Adopt Agenda: It was moved by Treasurer Diamond, seconded by Trustee Dunckel to adopt the agenda presented and add under New Business: 10) Removal of double charge for recycling from 6 properties. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public Comment: Larry Clark wished the board members a Merry Christmas.

Minutes: It was moved by Trustee Dunckel, seconded by Treasurer Diamond to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 7, 2013 and Special Meeting held on October 21, 2013, as presented in typed form. Motion carried by majority vote. Yeas: Fournier, Twite, Diamond, Dubey and Dunckel. Nays: Mischley. Absent: Schuelke.

Canceling of Township Meeting: Trustee Mischley asked for a clarification of how and when a Township meeting can be cancelled. Township Attorney Florip briefly alluded to the question. Trustee Mischley was also concerned about the paying of bills when a township meeting is not held. It was moved by Trustee Mischley, seconded by Trustee Fournier to update the post audit list for township bills. Motion carried by unanimous vote. The Clerk will look up the previous policy set by the township and bring back to the board.

Correspondence: It was moved by Treasurer Diamond, seconded by Trustee Dunckel to receive and file the following correspondence: Alpena Township - Financial Report, Planning Commission - Minutes - October 14, 2013, Alpena Township Nature Preserve - Phragmites Treatment, Intergovernmental Road Committee - Minutes - October 10, 2013, The Alpena News Publication - "We are Northeast Michigan", Alpena Area Chamber of Commerce - Corridor Improvement Authority - Economic Development Letter, Alpena Wildlife Sanctuary Newsletter, Alpena County Board of Commissioners - Amended Ambulance Fund Policy, Charter - Pricing and Packaging Changes and Stan Mischley - Canceling Regular Scheduled Township Board Meeting. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Corridor Improvement Authority: The supervisor gave board members information on the Corridor Improvement Authority (CIA), Public Act 280 of 2005, which is designed to assist communities with funding improvements in commercial corridors outside of their main commercial or downtown areas. Attorney Florip suggested the board members read the actual Act which will give them the idea of how the authority will work.

Army Corp of Engineers/Grant - 65/35 Percent Share: Supervisor Twite informed the board that she had received a letter from the Detroit District, Corps of Engineers that they would initiate a Section 205 study for investigation of the Township's flooding issues. The feasibility study could cost in excess of \$100,000 and the cost share is at 50% federal and 50% non-federal. Project implementation costs are shared at 65% federal and 35% non-federal. The township has requested that the

City of Alpena, the Alpena County Drain Commissioner, Alpena County Road Commission Manager and the Alpena County Local Emergency Manager partner on this project. The supervisor will keep the board informed.

Phragmites (Removal Program): Huron Pines, Inc. completed their spraying of the invasive species phragmites. The cost was \$300.00, which was budgeted. They would like the township to continue the removal program in 2014-15 season. Board will consider the cost in their 2014-15 budget.

Proposed 2014 Refunding Bonds: A letter was received from Stauder, Barch & Associates, Inc. proposing 2014 Refunding Bonds (Refunds 2005 S/A Water Bonds). It was moved by Trustee Mischley, seconded by Trustee Fournier to authorize the supervisor to check with bond council to see if there would be any savings to the residents and if there is, to go ahead with the program. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Fournier Twite, Mischley, Diamond, Dubey and Dunckel. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

Paul Dault (12-009-000-369-00): This parcel did not sell at the tax sale and was offered to the township by the county and the board accepted the parcel. This parcel is land locked. Mr. Dault owns the parcels abutting this parcel, in fact he thought he owned this parcel as well. He would like to acquire this parcel. The supervisor will check and see what the parcel was assessed at and bring the information back to the board.

Workshop: Advanced Shoreline P&Z Workshop being held in Alpena on December 11, 2013. There was no interest in attending this workshop by P&Z Board Members.

Adopt Poverty Guidelines/Asset Level Standards for 2014: It was moved by Trustee Dunckel, seconded by Trustee Mischley to establish the Guidelines as presented for 2014. The asset level for one homestead parcel will not exceed \$55,000 in S.E.V. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Request Resolution (Oppose Nuclear Waste Dump Site): James Albert asked the board to adopt a resolution against locating a waste dump site in part of Lake Huron Watershed. They are seeking to store volatile processed nuclear waste 500 meters below the surface. This could possibly radiate our watershed for thousands of years to come. It was moved by Trustee Mischley, seconded by Trustee Dunckel to table this request until Trustee Dunckel reviews this matter. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

NEMCOG (2014 CEDS Survey): The supervisor once again asked the board to review the list of economic development and public works projects listed for the region, especially the ones in Alpena Township. If members had additions or deletions, they should let the supervisor know by December 31, 2013.

US-23 Heritage Route Program: NEMCOG informed the supervisor that MDOT will be funding a completely new Management Plan which will address the status and future of the US-23 Heritage Route program more effectively.

Krakow Township Draft Master Plan: Board members recommended the Draft Master Plan for Krakow Township be sent to Alpena Township Planning & Zoning Commission for their review.

Tax Reverted Property: Five properties will be transferred to Alpena Township unless they are objected to. It was moved by Trustee Fournier, seconded by Treasurer Diamond not to accept the five properties. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Summer School Property Tax Collection: Alpena Public Schools asked the township to collect the District's summer tax levy. It was moved by Trustee Fournier, seconded by Treasurer Diamond not to collect the school district's summer tax levy. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Building & Electrical Permit Lists were presented in printed form for the month of October, 2013.

Fire Runs and Non-Emergency Transport Reports were presented in printed form including, Northside, Southside and M-32 Stations.

Resignation (Joshua E. McAlpine): It was moved by Trustee Dunckel, seconded by Treasurer Diamond to accept the resignation of Joshua E. McAlpine from the Alpena Township Fire Department. He is moving to Grand Rapids, Michigan. Motion carried unanimous vote. A thank you letter will be sent to Mr. McAlpine for his years of service.

Reimbursement (John Clements): It was moved by Trustee Mischley, seconded by

Trustee Fournier to reimburse Mr. Clements \$253.12 for attending a prerequisite course for company officer. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Mischley, Diamond, Dubey, Dunckel, Fournier and Twite. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

License Engine #2: It was moved by Trustee Dunckel, seconded by Treasurer Diamond to authorize the expenditure of \$100.00 for licensing Engine #2 through the State of Michigan as a EMT unit. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Diamond, Dubey, Duckel, Fournier, Twite and Mischley. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

CFNEM Grant Application: It was moved by Trustee Fournier, seconded by Trustee Dunckel to apply for the grant of \$3000.00 for 2 AED units, one for the conference room and one for the new fire engine at southside. Possible matching funds of \$600 may be required by the township. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Dubey, Dunckel, Fournier, Twite, Mischley and Diamond. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

Trauma Summit: It was moved by Trustee Fournier, seconded by Trustee Dunckel to allow Piper and Clements to attend this summit in Boyne Mountain on December 6, 2013, with the township paying mileage. There is no charge and lunch will be provided. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Dunckel, Fournier, Twite, Mischley, Diamond and Dubey. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

Wireless phone and internet (M-32 Station): Three options were presented: 1) Charter \$147.55 plus any applicable taxes 2) Frontier - \$106.99 per month plus any applicable taxes and 3) Verizon - \$90.00 per month plus any applicable taxes. It was moved by Trustee Fournier, seconded by Trustee Dunckel to get wireless phone and internet connection through Verizon at a cost of \$90.00 per month plus any applicable taxes for the M-32 Station. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Fournier, Twite, Mischley, Diamond, Dubey and Dunckel. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

Bills: It was moved by Trustee Dunckel, seconded by Trustee Fournier to approve the two estimates for fire truck repair. R&R - Replace front shocks = \$328.30 and Alpena Transmission Specialist - Replace Torque Converter - \$850.35. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Twite, Mischley, Diamond, Dubey, Dunckel and Fournier. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

FEMA Grant: It was moved by Clerk Dubey, seconded by Trustee Dunckel to apply for the FEMA Grant in the amount of \$165,000 for air packs and a power cot. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Mischley, Diamond, Dubey, Dunckel, Fournier and Twite. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

MHR Billing Company Visit: It was moved by Trustee Dunckel, seconded by Trustee Fournier to allow Captains Honeycutt and Hall to travel to Lansing and meet with the MHR representatives who are our billing agents for medical transfers. Meals, mileage and one days coverage overtime will be paid for by the township. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Diamond, Dubey, Dunckel, Fournier, Twite and Mischley. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

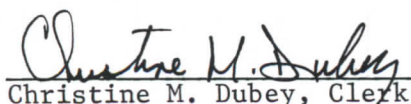
Laptop Computer: It was moved by Trustee Fournier, seconded by Clerk Dubey to purchase a laptop computer for the DPW department. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Dubey, Dunckel, Fournier, Twite, Mischley and Diamond. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

Contract (DPW Director): It was moved by Trustee Mischley, seconded by Treasurer Diamond to authorize the supervisor to sign the Statement of Agreement and Understanding with Gerald Bleau the new DPW Director who started work today, December 2, 2013. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Dunckel, Fournier, Twite, Mischley, Diamond and Dubey. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

Remove Recycling Charge: It was moved by Treasurer Diamond, seconded by Trustee Fournier to remove the \$10.00 recycling fee from the following parcels of property which were split: 013-023-620-00, 014-029-160-00, 15-029-251-00, 013-022-001-08, 012-032-880-00, and 018-360-060-01. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Fournier, Twite, Mischley, Diamond, Dubey and Dunckel. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

Bills: It was moved by Treasurer Diamond, seconded by Trustee Fournier to pay the bills presented. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Twite, Mischley, Diamond, Dubey, Dunckel and Fournier. Nays: None. Absent: Schuelke.

Adjourn: It was moved by Treasurer Diamond, seconded by Trustee Fournier to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.


Christine M. Dubey, Clerk