

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF ALPENA-BOARD OF TRUSTEES
November 10, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.
SPECIAL MINUTES**

The Charter Township of Alpena Board of Trustees met in special session on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the APlex, 701 Woodward Ave, Alpena, MI 49707.

Present: Supervisor Nathan Skibbe
Clerk Michele Palevich
Trustee Cash Kroll
Trustee Steve Lappan
Trustee Norm Poli
Trustee Matt Dunckel

Absent: Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers (Excused)

Others present: City of Alpena Council
Mayor Matt Waligora
Mayor Pro tem Cindy Johnson
Councilman Danny Mitchell
Councilman Mike Nowak
Councilwoman Amber Hess

Supervisor Nathan Skibbe called the meeting to order at 7:00 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, Trustee Cash Kroll, Trustee Matt Dunckel (Teleconference) and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. Absent: Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers (Excused)

AGENDA

Moved by Trustee Norm Poli and supported by Trustee Steve Lappan to approve the agenda as presented with the following amendment: move Public Comment to after the Intergovernmental Agreement for Fire Department Organizational and Response Services. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Trustee Steve Lappan, Clerk Michele Palevich, Trustee Cash Kroll, Trustee Matt Dunckel, Trustee Norm Poli, and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers. Motion carried unanimously

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL
AND RESPONSE SERVICES**

Supervisor Nathan Skibbe and Fire Chief Bill Forbush addressed the public regarding financial concerns of the Charter Township of Alpena Fire Department and what potential services would be provided through an intergovernmental agreement for Fire Department Organizational and Response Services.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Marie Twite – commented on potential agreement and response time.

Russ Rhynard – commented on fiduciary responsibility, service and response time.

Pam Susan – commented on response time, staffing/back staffing and mutual aid agreements.

Beverly Banks – commented service, minimum staffing and response time.

Christine Klimeczak – commented on nonemergency transfers, response time and the cadette program.

Valerie Urban – commented on the agreement and the millage.

Tammy Thomson – commented on services, response time and feasibility study.

Kevin Ginter – commented on service and response time.

Joe Marcot – commented on response time and additional millage need to support fire department.

Jason Dagner – commented on a task force, fixing internally and length of agreement.

Chief Dave Robbins - commented on agreement and the 2007 Raymond Robinson Study

Nate Thompson – commented on timing and collaboration.

Dr. Kenneth Gembel – commented on water litigation and timing.

John Clements – commented that the city fire department is stretched too far.

Chris Benedict – commented on cadette program and response time.

Tim Moggie - commented on fire committee not discussing.

Christine Desarmeau – commented not to have fire departments consolidated.

John Caplis – commented on potential agreement

Ileen Pettenger, Union Rep – requested open communication

Kevin Reamer – commented on history of fire department

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL AND RESPONSE SERVICES

Moved by Clerk Michele Palevich and supported by Trustee Cash Kroll to table the Intergovernmental Agreement for Fire Department Organizational and Response Services. Roll call vote was taken. AYES: Clerk Michele Palevich, Trustee Cash Kroll, Trustee Matt Dunckel, Trustee Norm Poli, Trustee Steve Lappan and Supervisor Nathan Skibbe. NAYES: None. Absent: Treasurer Laura Ellery-Somers. Motion carried unanimously

DISCUSSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Norm Poli and supported by Trustee Matt Dunckel to adjourn. Voice Vote. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Clerk Michele Palevich

Supervisor Nathan Skibbe