

## ALCONA TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES

January 8, 2019

The Alcona Township regular board meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll call: Present: Supervisor Marlena MacNeill, Clerk Dawn LaLonde, Treasurer Tina Gauthier and Trustee Jim Bouchard. Excused Trustee Jim Mead.

Motion by Bouchard, seconded by Gauthier, to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. PASSED All in Favor.

Motion by LaLonde, seconded by Bouchard, to accept the treasurer's report as presented. PASSED All in Favor. Treasurer Gauthier transferred the money from Northland Credit Union and AAACU Money Market account to the appropriate Michigan Class Accounts.

Motion by Bouchard, seconded by Gauthier, to pay bills as presented. PASSED All in Favor.

Fire report and assessors report were received and filed.

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Bouchard, to have Attorney Justin Wilson as the Townships Legal Counsel with a yearly retainer fee of \$1000.00. PASSED All in Favor.

The MTA Conference will take place in Grand Rapids beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>. Supervisor MacNeill is considering attending.

Clerk LaLonde looked into Bulk mailing rates the application fee is \$225.00, if approved, the township would be charged another \$225.00 for this year and a fee of at least \$225.00 every year thereafter. (the fee increases when postage increases). The cost savings per letter would be \$0.20. The township would pay to have all undeliverable mail returned. It was determined that it may not be a cost savings for the township at this time.

Assessor Gohl was given permission to order pre-stamped envelopes through USPS on the township credit card.

The budget workshop will be held on February 12, 2019 at 5:00. This workshop is open to the public.

County Commissioner, Dan Gauthier, informed the board that Alcona Township will receive PILT money for 2018.

Dan Gauthier, reported that the mouth of the river is almost closed off again after having it dredged twice in 2018. He is going to contact organizations to help with this issue, as resolving the problem is probably more than Alcona Township could financially handle. He will keep the board informed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:04

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Lalonde  
Alcona Township Clerk