

ALCONA TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES

June 14, 2022

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 Trustees Jim Bouchard and Tony Bolanowski.

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Bouchard to approve the minutes from the May 10th and May 19th meetings. Passed All in Favor.

Motion by Bouchard, seconded by Bolanowski, to accept the treasurer's report as presented. PASSED All in Favor.

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

Residents that live near the harbor area thanked the board for having gravel spread in the ramp and parking area. It made a huge improvement to the park area.

Reports were received from the assessor, fire dept. and zoning administrator.

Motion by LaLonde, seconded by Gauthier, to approve an expenditure of \$1762.25 for the Fire Dept. for Stream Light Brand Flashlights. PASSED All in Favor.

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Bolanowski, to approve an expenditure of \$1455.40 for the Fire Dept. for rope rescue equipment. PASSED All in Favor.

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Bouchard to proceed with Island View Special Assessment contingent on clarification of whether 51% of the owners or of linear footage is required of the petitions being in favor of this. PASSED All in Favor.

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Bouchard, to sign Land Division Act Services Agreement with the Equalization Dept. PASSED All in Favor.

The pit toilets at the Township Parks will be decommissioned, as they are in disrepair and the burden to keep them clean has become impractical with there being no clean water source available. Supervisor MacNeill will get bids on this project. Handicap accessible porta potties will be put in the same spot.

The site plan review for the Mountain Bar and Grill has been approved contingent on the ZBA approving a sign variance. The Mountain Bar and Grill has paid \$600.00 in fees for this project to date.

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Bouchard, to waive the fee for the next ZBA appeal for the Mountain Bar and Grill. PASSED All in Favor.

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by MacNeill, to give a \$250.00 bonus to custodian LeeRoy LaLonde. PASSED All in Favor. LeeRoy uses his own tools and travel to cut down trees, restock bathrooms, and keep the public areas of the township in good repair.

Discussion took place concerning ARPA funds. County Commissioner, Dan Gauthier, was present and reported that PIEG has a real interest in providing internet service to Alcona County. The county has obligated \$1,000,000.00 towards this and they are hoping townships will contribute also. Dan will also keep the board informed of possible grant opportunities for improving or replacing the pavilion at the Black River beach area. It was agreed to continue to pursue using the ARPA funds for improving the bathrooms and kitchen at the Township Hall.

Treasurer Gauthier reported that next year a new company will be printing and mailing the taxes out for the township. The new company will not combine property owners, so if you own five separate parcels you will receive five different envelopes.

Clerk LaLonde reported that 400 absent voter applications have been mailed out. Ballots should be arriving soon.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32
Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn LaLonde
Alcona Township Clerk