

ALCONA TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES

September 14, 2021

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 Jim Mead.

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

Motion by Mead, seconded by Bouchard, to accept the treasurer's report as presented. PASSED All in Favor. Treasurer Gauthier reported that 84% of the property taxes have been paid at this time and she has collected 2.2 million dollars for the schools and county.

Motion by Mead, seconded by Gauthier, to pay bills as presented for July and August. PASSED All in Favor.

Reports were accepted and filed from the Zoning Administrator, Assessor, and Fire Chief.

A property owner voiced his concerns how a nuisance violation is being handled. Supervisor MacNeill will work with the property owner and zoning administrator to resolve the issue.

Ron Siegel, general manager for Allband Communications informed the board that Allband has plans to bring broadband to the Black River area with the help of the American Rescue Plan Act dollars it has received. He asked the board to consider using some of the funds they will be awarded through the Rescue Plan towards the cost of bringing internet service to the unserved and underserved area of Black River.

The Black River Harbor has been dredged again and the DNR may amend their permit to allow some of the sand to be disbursed in the park area to level some of the low spots.

The fire department would like to contract with Chris Gauthier to make a cement bench in memory of past supervisor Roger Carlin. They will use the money from donated funds they have collected, no millage money will be used for this project.

New pads have been installed at the boat launch.

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Bouchard, to proceed with creating a special assessment for gypsy moth spraying. PASSED All in Favor. The hearings will take place on Oct. 2nd at 10:30 a.m. and Oct 12th at 5:00 p.m. at the Alcona Township Hall. Notices will be published in the Alcona Review and property owners will be notified by letter.

Supervisor MacNeill feels the Alcona Township Hall might be a great place to have an electric car charging station. More information will be gathered before any action will be taken.

Clerk LaLonde reported she has completed another 1½ hours of mandatory training for elections. She is also working on updating beneficiary forms for people who no longer are employed with the township.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn LaLonde

Alcona Township Clerk