

## ALCONA TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES

November 12, 2024

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, Trustees Jim Bouchard and Tony Bolanowski.

Motion by Bolanowski, seconded by Bouchard, to approve the minutes from the October 08<sup>th</sup> meeting. Passed All in Favor.

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

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

The assessors and zoning administrator's reports were accepted and filed.

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by Bolanowski, to accept the bid from Myers Lawn Care for snow plowing contingent on verification that he will plow the Alcona Township Fire Departments every 2" of snow. PASSED All in Favor. Supervisor MacNeill will reach out to Mr. Myers and obtain his Proof of Insurance.

Shane Bowman updated the board on the proposed playground for the harbor beach area. He plans to meet with grant writers concerning obtaining grants to help with the project. He will report back to the board next month.

Trustee Bolanowski answered questions concerning the planning commissions suggested ordinance on short term rentals. The board will hold a public workshop early next year to work on this as many concerns need to be addressed before the board can move forward.

Motion by Gauthier, seconded by MacNeill, to approve the bid from D's Lawn and Tree for removal of dead trees on the township property in the amount of \$3,350.00. PASSED All in Favor.

Motion by LaLonde, seconded by Gauthier, to sign a resolution from Consumers Energy to change the street lighting at Hubbard Lake Road/Larson Beach. PASSED All in Favor. This would be of no cost to the township. Consumers will remove the 40W LED center suspension streetlight and install a 40W LED cobra head bracket mounted fixture.

Supervisor MacNeill appointed Shane Bowman to the Board of Review. The full board approved the appointment.

The board regretfully accepted Lynn Gibson's resignation as election chair. Lynn has done the job for twenty years and is willing to help or co-chair with a new election chair. The board thanked Lynn for her service and noted her knowledge has helped the elections run smoothly.

County Commission, Dave Jagst, gave a report concerning County and State issues.

Supervisor MacNeill recognized Mark and Jennifer Hansen who recently joined the Fire Department. They both bring a wealth of knowledge to the department.

Clerk LaLonde reported that Alcona Township had 79% voter turn-out for the General Election, with 158 voters taking advantage of the Early Voting Days held at the County Building. Two challengers were present but seemed to have no issues with how the election workers were doing their duties.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17  
Respectfully Submitted,

*Dawn LaLonde*  
Alcona Township Clerk