Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

December 7, 2015

The Alpena Township Board of Trustees met in a regular session on Monday, December 7, 2015 at 7:00pm at the Alpena Community College – Granum Theater, 665 Johnson St, Alpena, Michigan. Roll call found present: Supervisor Twite, Treasurer Diamond, Clerk Thusat, and Trustees: Poli, Fournier, Mischley and Dunckel. Also present were: Attorney James Florip, Attorney Dan Florip, Attorney Bill Fahey, Gerald Bleau, and Gary Johnson.

<u>Adopt Agenda</u>: A motion was made by Trustee Mischley and supported by Treasurer Diamond to adopt the agenda with the following change: Under New Business – Fire Department add Request for Leave of Absence. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Township Water/Sewer Information Session – Attorney Dan Florip gave a presentation to the public about the history of the Water and Sewer Rates in Alpena Township.

<u>Public Comment</u>: Gary Parteka expressed disappointment with the lack of discussion between the Township and the City about the water/sewer rates dispute. Larry Clark from Taking Pride in Alpena expressed optimism about the township's future and gave an update about the MSU student's recommendations.

<u>Minutes</u>: Tables approval of the November 2, 2015 minutes until next month to give members an opportunity to review them.

<u>Correspondence</u>: A motion was made by Trustee Mischley and supported by Trustee Dunckel to receive and file the following: Alpena Township - Financial Statement, Planning Commission – Minutes – 1November 9, 2015, Zoning Board of Appeals – Minutes – November 17, 2015, Holidays – 2016, Schedule of Meeting – 2016, Alpena County Rural Projects, Signed Recycling Inter local Agreements – Copy in Clerk's Office, Michael O'Hearon, PLC – Request to Withdraw Charge Against the Township, Bureau of Employment Relations – Mediation Information, Transparency Performance Dashboard – Acceptance, Alpena County Commissioners – Ambulance Fund Policy Amendments and Medical Run Reimbursement for 2016. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

<u>Old Business</u>: Resolution – Northeast Michigan Public Four Year University. A group of individuals approached asking the Board to support a Resolution of support for a Public Four Year University in Northeast Michigan. A motion was made by Trustee Fournier and supported by Trustee Poli to pass a Resolution of Support for a Public Four Year University in Northeast Michigan. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

New Business:

Departments Reports -

Assessing Department – Request to attend educational Classes. A motion was made by Trustee Mischley and supported by Treasurer Diamond to allow Kris Lewis and Howard Lumsden to attend educational classes in West Branch on 01-21-2016. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Fournier, Twite, Mischley, Diamond, Thusat, Dunckel and Poli. Nays: None.

Building:

Building Permits (October) – 18 Building permits were issued for October 2015, generating \$7,073.00 in fees for the month and a year-to-date total of 132 permits generating \$38,165.00.

Electrical Permits (October) – 11 Electrical permits were issued in October 2015, generating \$1,908 in fees and a year-to-date total of 107 permits generating \$15,136.00.

Building Permits (November) - 12 Building permits were issued for October 2015, generating \$2,855.00 in fees for the month and a year-to-date total of 144 permits generating \$41,020.00.

Electrical Permits (November) – 6 Electrical permits were issued in October 2015 generating \$736.00 in fees and a year-to-date total of 113 permits generating \$15,872.00.

Fire Department:

Resignation – A motion was made by Trustee Fournier and supported by Treasurer Diamond to accept the resignation of Lynn Karenko for the Fire Department. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Leave of Absence A motion was made by Trustee Mischley and supported by Trustee Poli to grant a request for a leave of absence from Leon Srebnik. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion: None.

<u>Payment of Bills</u>: A motion was made by Treasurer Diamond and supported by Trustee Fournier to pay the bills. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Yeas: Fournier, Twite, Mischley, Diamond, Thusat, Dunckel and Poli. Nays: None.

<u>Adjourn</u>: At 9:58pm a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Poli and supported by Trustee Dunckel. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted

T. Juergen Thusat Alpena Township Clerk