

**Alpena County Chapter - MTA**  
**June 20, 2011 - 7:00 p.m.**

The Alpena County Chapter - MTA meeting was held at Long Rapids Township Hall. It was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chapter President Ken Lobert and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Townships:** Alpena, Green, Long Rapids, Maple Ridge, Ossineke, Sanborn, Wellington and Wilson.

**Members Present:** 21

**Guests present:** Larry Orcutt, Road Commission Manager  
Peter Petallia, State Representative  
Rich Fortier, County Commissioner  
Beverly Bodem  
Mrs. Leschinger  
Mrs. Mischley  
Mrs. Petallia  
Mrs. Liske  
Mrs. Lobert  
Mrs. Lumsden

**Minutes** of the April 18, 2011 meeting were approved as printed.

**Treasurer's report** was presented by Stan Mischley. Stan Mischeley reported that money was transferred to Preferred Shares in the amount of \$1,611.65. The balance is currently \$2,284.79. Moved by Dick King and supported by Bill Domke to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Moved by Lynda VanDusen and supported by Dick King to approve payment for postage costs for notices to be sent out. Motion carried.

Legislative Report - Peter Petallia, State Representative, reported on several items as listed below:

- 1) There is a 3 tiered inheritance bill to keep and protect family property.
- 2) A bill will be introduced in September/October to see home and maintain a cap as you move.
- 3) Two resolutions
  - a) Keeping share of sales tax on internet sales
  - b) Baiting in lower Michigan - allow bait with the rest of Michigan for a two year study.
- 4) Vote on opening day for deer season (on Saturday closest to the 15<sup>th</sup> or the exact day of the 15<sup>th</sup>)
- 5) Twenty Three (23) State campgrounds are being proposed to be closed. He asked townships to think about taking the parks over. He explained the Trust Fund and cap of

- 500 million dollars.
- 6) Motorcycle Helmet bill
  - 7) Hunter Heritage bill - allows mentor to decide and take kids hunting, mirrored after a Pennsylvania program.

Beverly Bodem was present from John Moolenaar's office to answer any questions.

County Commissioner Rich Fortier reported that Target was interviewing for a new director.

Discussion was held on the Northern Lights Arena Management proposals.

**Committee Reports:**

**Road Commission** - Larry Orcutt, Road Commission Manager, reported on their projects:

- 1) Long Rapids Road (West of M-65) box culvert after July 4<sup>th</sup> (depending on weather)
- 2) Alpena and Maple Road (Woodview and Cathro) - reheat asphalt and put back down - later summer - August?
- 3) Culvert crossing - Herron Road/Schiller Road - Ossineke Township
- 4) Most townships are participating in match projects - \$350,000 in projects.
- 5) Werth Road culvert replacement (a lot are being replaced)
- 6) Approximately 8 miles of seal coating are being done to maintain existing pavement in various locations: King Settlement, Spruce Road, Alpena Township.
- 7) Dust control is about half done (hopefully will complete in two weeks)

**911 Central Dispatch** - No meeting were held since the last report.

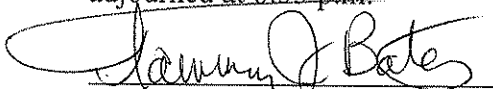
**MTA** - Ken Gauthier reported that he met with the Governor. Items discussed also were MTA Workers Comp, 2010 census, constitutional revenue sharing increase this year and next year, DEQ - Solid Waste increase, SB 470 and HB 4746 - legislative alert re: gravel operations - oppose legislation, Workshops will be held on Ordinance Enforcement, MTA conference at Crystal Mountain.

**NATaT Conference** - Moved by Marie Twite and supported by Jerry Leschinger to send a representative out of the Alpena County MTA Chapter and to allow \$500 from MTA. Motion carried.

**Other Information** - John Male discussed information he received that County Deputies were only allowed 75 miles a day to patrol and that it was hard in an emergency to get a deputy. The Sheriff will be invited to the next meeting in October to discuss this issue.

**Next meeting** - The next MTA meeting will be held at Maple Ridge Township Hall on October 17, 2011.

Moved by Jerry Leschinger and supported by Lou Baker to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

  
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Tammy Bates, Acting Secretary  
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