

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
ALPENA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 25, 2005

1:00 p.m.

The Alpena County Board of Commissioners met in the Howard Male Conference Room in the County Annex building in the City of Alpena on October 25, 2005 at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Zolnierrek who called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRAYER

Prayer was offered by Commissioner Wegmeyer.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called, the following Commissioners present: Nunneley, Donakowski, Mullaney, Tom Male, Howard Male, Wegmeyer, Estlack, and Zolnierrek. ABSENT: None.

AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Howard Male and supported by Commissioner Wegmeyer to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION FOR LINDA G. SINE

**Chairman Zolnierек presented of Resolution of Tribute to Linda G.
Sine for her years of service for the County.**

CONSENT CALENDAR

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A) Approval of the Official Proceedings of the Alpena
County Board of Commissioners

Regular Session - September 27, 2005

Workshop Session - October 7, 2005

B) Finance/Building Maintenance and Recreation
Committee

Finance - October 14, 2005

General Fund: \$116,891.21

Per Diems: \$ 1,680.00

ACTION ITEM fm#1: The Committee recommends that we implement
Plan A, in the amount of approximately
\$4,400.00, to remodel the Friend of the
Court office.

(Not approved in the consent calendar.)

ACTION ITEM fm#2: The Committee recommends that we set the
Ambulance Fund millage rate for 2006 at
.9300 in accordance to the voter approved
millage of .9912 mils.

ACTION ITEM fm#3: The Committee recommends that we set the

Older Persons Fund millage rate for 2006 at .5394 in accordance to the voter approved millage of .55 mils.

ACTION ITEM fm#4: The Committee recommends that we allow the Treasurer to amend the 4th quarter budget and to allow the Treasurer to pay the remaining bill of \$10,000 (covering fiscal year 2003) to MAXIMUS.

(Not approved in the consent calendar.)

ACTION ITEM fm#5: The Committee recommends that we allow the Treasurer to make the 3rd quarter budget adjustments.

ACTION ITEM fm#6: The Committee recommends that the 2005 apportionment report be approved.

ACTION ITEM fm#7: The Committee recommends that funds be moved from the education training line item # 101-225-932 to the travel line item # 101-225-860 in the amount of \$800.00 for travel expenses for the Equalization department.

ACTION ITEM fm#8: The Committee recommends that we approve the 2006 Child Care Budget as presented.

C) Airport Committee - October 11, 2005

Moved by Commissioner Wegmeyer and supported by

Commissioner Howard Male to approve the Consent Calendar which includes actions as listed above and filing of all reports.

Roll call vote was taken: AYES: Commissioners Nunneley, Donakowski, Mullaney, Tom Male, Howard Male, Wegmeyer, Estlack, and Zolnierek. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

FRIEND OF THE COURT REMODELING

Moved by Commissioner Howard Male and supported by Commissioner Mullaney to approve the Friend of the Court remodeling project in the amount of \$18,600 with monies to come out of the equipment fund and building and grounds fund.

Roll call vote was taken: AYES: Commissioners Donakowski, Mullaney, Tom Male, Howard Male, Wegmeyer, and Estlack. NAYS: Commissioners Nunneley and Zolnierek. Motion carried.

MAXIMUS BILL

Moved by Commissioner Nunneley and supported by Commissioner Tom Male that we allow the Treasurer to amend the 4th quarter budget and to allow the Treasurer to pay the remaining bill of \$10,000 (covering fiscal year 2003) to MAXIMUS. Roll call vote was taken: AYES: Commissioners Nunneley, Donakowski, Mullaney, Tom Male, Howard Male, Wegmeyer, Estlack, and Zolnierek. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

MERCURY ISSUE

Chairman Zolnierek read a petition from the

Intergovernmental Air/Water Quality Study/Action Committee.

Bob Budnick from Lafarge Corporation appeared before the board to explain the mercury permit process.

John McVeety, Alpena Regional Medical Center CEO, advised the board that the only mercury incidents that were reported at ARMC were bit off thermometers and exposure to mercury at schools. There were no deaths attributable to mercury and no records due to industrial activity.

Dr. Lori Vorraro asked the board to supporting the DEQ's right to put a limit on mercury.

TABLE MERCURY ISSUE

Moved by Commissioner Nunneley and supported by Commissioner Mullaney to table the mercury issue for further review. Roll call vote was taken: AYES: Commissioners Nunneley, Donakowski, Mullaney, Tom Male, Howard Male, Wegmeyer, and Zolnierrek. NAYS: Commissioner Estlack. Motion carried.

SUNRISE CENTER

Jerry Broad, Sunrise Center Board member, explained that the Sunrise Center is undergoing renovation and will now offer treatment for the general public and will have a women's residential unit. He introduced Dennis Christianson, the director.

ATHENA AWARD

Commissioner Nunneley announced that Mary Dunckel is up for the Athena Award.

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Commissioner Nunneley and supported by Commissioner Tom Male to go into closed session for the purpose of reviewing a job application. Roll call vote was taken: AYES: Commissioners Nunneley, Donakowski, Mullaney, Tom Male, Howard Male, Wegmeyer, Estlack, and Zolnierek. NAYS: None. Motion carried. Meeting was recessed at 2:20 p.m. and closed session began at 2:25 p.m.

The meeting was opened at 2:40 p.m. Roll call was taken: Commissioners Nunneley, Donakowski, Mullaney, Tom Male, Howard Male, Wegmeyer, Estlack, and Zolnierek. ABSENT: None.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Commissioner Nunneley gave the Personnel Committee report of 10/21/05.

PLAZA POOL DIRECTOR

Moved by Commissioner Nunneley and supported by Commissioner Tom Male that we fill the position for the Plaza Pool Director and authorize Coordinator to continue negotiations. Roll call vote was taken: AYES: Commissioners Nunneley, Donakowski, Mullaney, Tom Male, Howard Male, Wegmeyer, Estlack, and Zolnierek. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

AIRPORT MANAGER

Moved by Commissioner Nunneley and supported by Commissioner Mullaney to fill the position of Airport Manager.

Roll call vote was taken: AYES: Commissioners Nunneley, Donakowski, Mullaney, Tom Male, Howard Male, Wegmeyer, Estlack, and Zolnierek. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Airport Chairman Mullaney announced the appointment of Billi McRoberts as Airport Manager.

QUALITY DEER MANAGEMENT

Commissioner Nunneley asked that the County approach the State of Michigan to become a county that falls under quality deer management. Commissioner Estlack reported that persons in four counties formed a Quality Deer Management Association in October of 2004. Commissioner Nunneley will prepare a resolution for the next meeting in support of this.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Mullaney reported that the MAC Judiciary Committee had met regarding Senate Bill 736 which would allow the Sheriff to pursue inmates insurance to make collections. He also reported they opposed Senate bills 823, 824, and 825.

Moved by Commissioner Mullaney and supported by Commissioner Wegmeyer to authorize Commissioner Mullaney to prepare a letter regarding the above items and to authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign it. Motion carried.

PROCLAMATION/RESOLUTION #05-23

Homeless Awareness Month

November 2005

WHEREAS, every day there are men, women, and children in Alpena County who do not have a place they can call home; and

WHEREAS, the Northeast Michigan Coalition for the Prevention of Homelessness and Hunger and its member agencies are committed to sheltering the homeless; and

WHEREAS, every year, public and private agencies observe Homeless Awareness Month to increase awareness and focus attention on the needs of homeless individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, the theme of HOMELESS AWARENESS activities this year is "We End it Here, We End it Now;"

NOW, THEREFORE, I Leonard Zolnierек, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Chairperson of the Alpena County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the month of November in 2005 as HOMELESS AWARENESS MONTH in Alpena County, and I urge all area citizens to recognize and support the efforts of homeless shelters and service providers for the homeless.

Moved by Commissioner Tom Male and Commissioner Mullaney to adopt the above proclamation/resolution. Roll call vote was taken: AYES:

Commissioners Nunneley, Donakowski, Mullaney, Tom Male, Howard Male, Wegmeyer, Estlack, and Zolnierek. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

LOCAL COURT MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Chairman Zolnierek announced that he has resigned from the Local Court Management Council. Moved by Commissioner Donakowski and supported by Commissioner Howard Male that Commissioner Estlack be appointed to Local Court Management Council. Roll call vote was taken: AYES: Commissioners Nunneley, Donakowski, Mullaney, Tom Male, Howard Male, Wegmeyer, Estlack, and Zolnierek. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Chairman Zolnierek announced that he is stepping down from the Chairman of the Board effective October 31, 2005 and that he will be stepping down as County Commissioner sometime in January 2006.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Amanda Cairo spoke regarding the mercury issue.

Chairman Zolnierek expressed appreciation to everyone.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Howard Male and supported by Commissioner Donakowski to adjourn. Motion carried.

