



Northeast Michigan Council of Governments

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MINUTES

OF THE

NORTHEAST MICHIGAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

August 15, 2019

**Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary
Alpena, MI**

Call to Order

The Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG) Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by Robert Heilman, Board President, at 10:00 a.m. A quorum was declared.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Dan Gauthier, Dave Karschnick, Carey Jansens, Daryl Peterson, Carl Altman, Adam Poll, Marisue Moreau, Robert Heilman, Mary Ann Heidemann, and Norman Brecheisen

Staff Present: Diane Rekowski, Theresa Huff and Karen Cole

Approval of Minutes

R. Heilman presented the Minutes of the May 16, 2019 and June 20, 2019 meetings. C. Jansens moved, seconded by A. Poll to approve the minutes as presented. Yes all, motion carried.

Financial Report

K. Cole reviewed the June, 2019 financial statements. C. Altman moved, seconded by D. Karschnick to receive and file the June, 2019 Financial Report as presented. Yes all, motion carried.

Presentation: Jim Kraenzlein, Straley Lamp & Kraenzlein, P.C.

Jim Kraenzlein explained the audit process and findings of the FY2018 audit. NEMCOG had 2 findings and management took them very seriously. Changes have already been put in place to correct these findings to avoid having these finding in future audits. Budget adjustments will be presented to the board on a quarterly basis. NEMCOG had a very good FY2018 year and the audit went very well.

C. Altman moved to accept the FY2018 Audit as presented, seconded by C. Jansens. Yes all, motion carried.

Presentation: Jeff Gray, Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary

Jeff Gray, Superintendent of the Thunder Bay Marine Sanctuary provided an extremely informative presentation. The Sanctuary's goal is expansive to include research, education and preservation of the Great Lakes and Northeast Michigan. The Sanctuary works hand in hand with many public schools in the region partnering on class offerings and many field trips.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m. due to the loss of a quorum. The next Board Meeting will be held on September 19, 2019 at the University Center in Gaylord.

A general discussion followed.