

**MINUTES  
ALPINE TOWNSHIP BOARD  
BUDGET WORKSHOP SPECIAL MEETING  
MAY 14, 2020**

**2020-48      CALL TO ORDER**

The Alpine Township Board of Trustees held a budget workshop special meeting on Monday, May 14, 2020 at the Alpine Township Hall, 5255 Alpine Avenue, Comstock Park, Michigan, 49321 with due notice. Supervisor Greg Madura called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present were Supervisor Greg Madura, Clerk Jean Wahlfield, Treasurer Jim Townsend and Trustees Ron Cordes, and Mike Wahlfield. Trustees Scheidel and Schweitzer were absent. The proper noticing for the meeting took place including the Township website.

**2020-49      BUDGET WORKSHOP**

The Supervisor provided copies of the proposed budget dated 05/14/2020. He noted that mandated shut down of businesses and industries due to the COVID 19 virus will impact the upcoming budget with state shared revenue expected to decrease significantly. The Supervisor noted that the budget is lean with no pay raises for Staff and tax tribunal appeals expected to increase in 2021. Also discussed was the current administration fee that is at ½ of a percent and could be increased to 1%. The Treasurer expressed his concerns about increasing the fee at this time.

The Supervisor reviewed the proposed revenue budget line by line and some changes were made.

Expenditures were reviewed with decreases reflected in each department. The Treasurer suggested that the Supervisor salary increase to the same amount of the Treasurer and Clerk. Also discussed was the salary for the Assessor as no increase was received after she was in the position for 90 days. Board members discussed this topic and a salary increase of 3% will be added to the budget.

The Board discussed road improvements and budgeted amounts for the period beginning July 1, 2020.

**2020-50      PUBLIC COMMENT, BOARD COMMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT**

No public comment was offered at this time. Board members shared comments on current events and experiences related to the COVID 19 virus.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Jean Wahlfield, Clerk

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Greg Madura, Supervisor