

## **COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**November 9, 2021**

The Municipal Council of the City of Alpena met in special session at City Hall on the above date and was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the Mayor. Members of the public could also join the meeting virtually. This was a joint meeting with the Planning Commission.

Present: Mayor Waligora, Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, Councilmembers Nowak, Mitchell and Osmer.

Absent: None.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Nowak, to approve the agenda.

Motion carried 5-0.

### **ADULT-USE MARIHUANA**

The Municipal Council heard comments from the public both in favor and against allowing adult-use marihuana in the City of Alpena. The Council discussed their opinions on the subject and the majority wanted to move forward with updating the ordinance. Denise Cline, Deputy Director and Chief Planner for Northeast Michigan Council of Governments, led the Council and Planning Commission through a review of the draft ordinance, which would amend Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances for Medical Marihuana Facilities to add language for adult-use marihuana establishments. The Municipal Council directed staff to make changes to the ordinance, which will be

reviewed at the December 6, 2021, regular meeting.

**ADJOURN**

On motion of Councilmember Nowak, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, the  
Municipal Council adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Matthew J. Waligora  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Anna Soik  
City Clerk