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ALPENA BANCSHARES INC  
Form 8-K  
November 19, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 12, 2004

Alpena Bancshares, Inc.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Federal ----- (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	0-31957 ----- (Commission File No.)	38-3567362 ----- (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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100 S. Second Ave., Alpena, Michigan ----- (Address of principal executive offices)	49707 ----- (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (989) 356-9041

Not Applicable  
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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of

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### Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On November 12, the board of directors of Alpena Bancshares, Inc. (the "Registrant") appointed Michael W. Mahler as Executive Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Mr. Mahler had been the Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and Corporate Secretary since November 2002. From September 2000 until November 2002, Mr. Mahler served as Corporate Controller for Besser Company, Alpena, Michigan, an international producer of concrete products equipment. From 1990 until 2000, Mr. Mahler was employed at LTV Steel Company, East Chicago, Indiana where he served in financial roles of increasing responsibility and served, from 1997 until 2000, as Controller for a northeast Michigan division.

On November 12, the Registrant's board of directors appointed Amy E. Essex as Chief Financial Officer. Ms. Essex had been the Registrant's Internal Auditor and Compliance Officer since March 2003. Prior to March 2003, Ms. Essex spent eight years as the Director of Tax and Risk Management for Besser Company, Alpena, Michigan, an international producer of concrete products equipment. Ms. Essex is a certified public accountant.

### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

ALPENA BANCSHARES, INC.

DATE: November 19, 2004

By: /s/ Michael W. Mahler

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Michael W. Mahler  
Executive Vice President