

DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
April 17, 2007

Escanaba, Michigan

A Regular meeting of the Delta County Board of Commissioners was held this date, pursuant to the following call:

April 12, 2007

The Honorable Members of the Delta
County Board of Commissioners

Dear Commissioners:

A Regular Meeting of the Delta County Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday April 17, 2007, at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the State Office Building.

Sincerely yours,
Nancy J. Kolich
Delta County Clerk

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners Bengry, Elegeert, Rivard, Ruohomaki and Schultz.

ABSENT: None.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the State Office Building by Chairman Elegeert.

V. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2007 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A. Received: No written communications were received.

B. Forwarded: No written communications were forwarded.

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

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Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Rivard that the Communications and Reports of Standing and Statutory Committees and the Reports of Special Committees and Others be received and placed on file. MOTION CARRIED.

Presentation: Delta County Jail Study by Gundlach Champion.

Recessed at 2:23 p.m. and reconvened at 2:30 p.m.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to allow Board members to attend the Special Conference with AFSCME on April 26th. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to have the Personnel Committee to meet with the Administrator to establish guidelines for the Maintenance Director interviews. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to approve out of county travel to Marquette to attend the MERS Regional Meeting on May 17, 2007. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to receive the Administrator's report and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

XI. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve payment of the bills of April 3rd in the amount of \$ 686,213.08. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Road Rage Awareness Week.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to adopt a resolution proclaiming July 15 - 21, 2007 as Road Rage Awareness Week. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Prosecutor's Request - Summer Intern.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to authorize the Prosecutor to hire a summer intern (a third year Cooley Law School student Jessica Pelto) as requested. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Planning Commission Case No. 3-07-PC.

Case 3-07-PC, Mike and Julie Elliott and Francis Gudwer, Baldwin Township. Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve the request to rezone from Agricultural Production to Resource Production as recommended by the Planning Commission.

ROLL CALL	BENGRY	YES
	ELEGEERT	YES
	RIVARD	YES
	RUOHOMAKI	YES
	SCHULTZ	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

Planning Commission Case No. 4-07-PC.

Case 4-07-PC, Francis Gudwer, Baldwin Township. Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve the request to rezone from Agricultural Production to Resource Production as recommended by the Planning Commission.

ROLL CALL	BENGRY	YES
	ELEGEERT	YES
	RIVARD	YES
	RUOHOMAKI	YES
	SCHULTZ	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

5. Airport Plan Signature - Five Year Plan Project.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Schultz to approve the 2007 Airport Construction Project as presented, as part of the Five Year Plan, at a cost of \$296,000 with the local share of \$7,400. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Airport Manager Contract.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to refer to the Personnel and Finance Committee (Committee of the Whole) for review on Tuesday April 24th at 1:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL	BENGRY	NO
	RIVARD	NO
	RUOHOMAKI	YES
	SCHULTZ	YES
	ELEGEERT	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

7. Prosecutor's Letters Requested by D. Bengry.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to seek a legal opinion regarding Peter Mark not being allowed to finish his term on the Airport and Parks Board as appointed in November 2005.

ROLL CALL	BENGRY	YES
	RIVARD	NO
	RUOHOMAKI	YES
	SCHULTZ	YES
	ELEGEERT	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

XII. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Finlan addressed the Board regarding his concerns regarding Peter Mark's appointment.

William Nelson addressed the Board with his concerns regarding Road Commission appointments and also regarding building permit requirements.

William T. Nelson addressed the Board concerning legal fees and settlement in the Road Commission lawsuit against him.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioners Rivard: None.

Commissioner Ruohomaki: None.

Commissioner Bengry: None.

Commissioner Schultz: None.

Commissioner Elegeert: None.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE.

Committee of the Whole meeting April 24th at 1:30 p.m. at the State Office Building.

Committee of the Whole Special Conference with AFSCME April 26th at 2:00 p.m. at the State Office Building.

XV. NOTICES - 30 day notice of appointment to Pathways.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Schultz to adjourn at 3:28 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy J. Kolich, County Clerk

Thomas Elegeert, Board Chairperson