

**DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
December 16, 2008**

Escanaba, Michigan

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

December 11, 2008

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 December 16, 2008, at 5:15 p.m. in the Circuit Courtroom of the Courthouse Building.

Sincerely yours,  
Nancy J. Kolich  
Delta County Clerk

ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: None.

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. in the Delta County Circuit Courtroom by Delta County Clerk, Nancy Kolich.

V. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2008 meeting.  
MOTION CARRIED.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to adopt the agenda as amended the agenda moving New Business Item 2 to Item 1. Pathways and adding Item 5. Sheriff report of Animal Shelter. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

VI. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A. Received: No Communications were received.

B. Forwarded: No Communications were forwarded.

VII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Superior Code.

Drain Commissioner Don Shirley, Chair of Ad Hoc Committee, updated the Board with the Superior Code Tech Manual. He also stated that the Health Department did a review of the rejected septic system plans and found 10 that will be able to be approved under the Superior Code.

2. Administrator's Report.

3. Evaluation Forms.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve the evaluation form for the Administrator's evaluation and to use the Personnel Committee to tabulate the evaluations and formulate a schedule. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Capitol Projects.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to authorize the Assistant Administrator to prepare the RFP's with the Director of Maintenance for the boiler project at the Service Center. MOTION CARRIED.

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

X. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. December Appointments.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to re-appoint Marilyn Kinsey and Anthony Shomin to the Airport Board, Charles Lindquist and Starr Romps to the Parks Authority, Dennis Ness and Gordon Roy to the Construction and

Zoning Board of Appeals and Benny Herioux to the Planning Commission . MOTION CARRIED.

2. Committee of the Whole meeting of 12-15-08.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to appoint Tim Callahan Interim Director of Building and Zoning. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to increase the Information Tech Manager salary by \$2,000 from his probationary salary to \$43,200. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve the Committee of the Whole minutes of December 15, 2008. MOTION CARRIED.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Pathways Jail Services.

Gail Hall, Pathways CEO, gave the Board an overview of the general fund issue for providing jail services. Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve the 6 month contract with Pathways to provide services at the jail, with a cap of \$20,000, authorizing Chairman Elegeert and Sheriff Ballweg to sign the contract, as presented.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve the bills in the amount of \$344,532.31, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Court Software Purchase.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve purchase of the JustWare Court software from New Dawn Technologies, as recommended by Judge Davis on behalf the Circuit, District and Probate Courts and IT Manager Couvillion, for \$231,875, as presented.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

4. Child Care Budget.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve the Child Care Budget, as presented and to thank Judge Goebel. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Animal Shelter presentation by Sheriff Ballweg.

Sheriff Ballweg gave the Board an update on the Animal Shelter and the donations received for improvements to the shelter.

XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

XII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioners Bengry: None.

Commissioner Ruohomaki: Thank Sheriff Ballweg for his report on the Animal Shelter. Reminded the public of the Oath of Office Ceremony December 29 at 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Rivard: HB 6499 Code of Ethics, Joint Governmental Council offering to spearhead ethics group. Remind the public that utility bills can become very difficult this time of year - please contact your utility company about programs that can help.

Commissioner Schultz: Good news from Workmen's Comp Board, he County will received a check for \$43,507. Benefit for Public Safety employee Tom Hess after meeting.

Commissioner Elegeert: Thank Commissioner Schultz for the fine job representing us on the Workmen's Comp Board. Commissioners Elegeert and Ruohomaki will meet on Friday to review prospective vendors for the Regional Jail study.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

December 22<sup>nd</sup> 9:00 a.m. Committee of the Whole State Office Building

December 29<sup>th</sup> 4:30 p.m. Oath of Office Ceremony Circuit Courtroom  
January 6<sup>th</sup> 5:15 p.m. Reorganizational meeting

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to adjourn at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Nancy J. Kolich, County Clerk

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Thomas Elegeert, Board Chairperson