

DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
AUGUST 26, 2008

Escanaba, Michigan

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

August 21, 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, August 26, 2008, at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the State Office Building.

Sincerely yours,
Nancy J. Kolich
Delta County Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Bengry, Rivard, Ruohomaki, Schultz, Elegeert

Absent: None

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the State Office Building by Delta County Deputy Clerk, Hope Rudden.

V. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2008 meeting with following corrections:

1. correction to committee reports #2 – not *Administrator's* report - *Soil Conservation Report*
2. correction to new business #8 – state which individual commissioner made motion & seconded motion
3. Moved #9 under new business (911 Authority) to #2 under Unfinished Business in current agenda

Commissioner Schultz made motion to accept minutes with corrections, Commissioner Ruohomaki seconded. Motion Carried.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairperson Elegeert moved Prosecutor (letter 'e', under Number 5, Budget Work session, under B, New Business, to letter 'a', so prosecutor could leave early). Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve the agenda with the stated corrections. Motion Carried.

VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – none

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING, STATUTORY, SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS – none

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – none

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Administrator's Report.

a. Executive Session

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to move into executive session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation at 9:15 a.m.

Roll called:

Bengry – yes

Rivard – yes

Ruohomaki – yes

Schultz – yes

Elegeert – yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to reconvene into regular session at 9:50 a.m. MOTION CARRIED.

No actions were taken during executive session.

XI. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. Unfinished Business

1. Superior Health Code – Commissioner Elegeert updated board that this code will be coming soon for adoption.
2. 911 Authority- Commissioner Schultz reported on finance committee regarding 911 Authority. Commissioner Schultz motioned to rescind action taken at last meeting. Commissioner Ruohomaki added to motion to make it a 6 month trial period and seconded motion. MOTION CARRIED.

B. New Business

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to approve the bills in the amount of \$879,441.16, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Airport Contract.

Connie Ness presented information to the board regarding contract needing signature of board. Commissioner Schultz made motion of approval of signature on document, Commissioner Rivard seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Courthouse Phone.

Brandon Couvillion, County Information Technician, presented information regarding a new phone system for the courthouse and Sheriff's Department. Couvillion recommended SPS as the best value for the counties current needs. Commissioner Rivard motioned to accept recommendation, Commissioner Schultz Seconded.

Roll Call -	Bengry –	No
	Rivard –	Yes
	Ruohomaki –	No
	Schultz –	Yes
	Elegeert -	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

4. Equalization Software.

Brandon Couvillion, County Information Technician, presented information regarding new upgraded software for the Equalization Department. Software is included in the proposed budget for the department. Motion made by Commissioner Rivard to support installation, Commissioner Bengry seconded. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Budget Work Session.

- a. Prosecutor – Prosecutor Steven Parks suggested reducing Paralegal line item by \$1,000. and moving \$500 to Transcripts line item. (still saving county \$500.00)
- b. Circuit Court – no change
- c. District Court – comments by Kim Sanville - no change
- d. Probate Court – comments by Judge Goebel – no change
- e. Friend of Court – comments by Connie Osier – no change
- f. Sheriff Department – comments by Sheriff – no change

Comment made by Joe Erickson regarding budget session to be added to the September 2nd regular County Commissioner meeting, with a follow-up work session on the 9th. Motion made by Commissioner Bengry to hold Budget session immediately following September 2nd regular meeting, and a continuation to follow on the 9th at 9:30a.m. Commissioner Ruohomaki seconded, MOTION CARRIED.

Chairperson Elegeert commented on Judge Goebel's request for a re-class for the Attorney Juvenile Assistant – Commissioner Bengry

motioned to have this issue sent to the Finance Committee for recommendation.
Commissioner Rivard seconded, MOTION CARRIED.

XII. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Comment made by Ron Powers regarding county phone system.

XIII. COMMISSIONER'S CONCERNS

Commissioner Rivard – commented on MACC conference and asked to have meeting on the 9th of September at 9:30 a.m. Instead of 9 a.m.
(all agreed)

Commissioner Ruohomaki – motioned to set a Meeting of the Whole to discuss Airport & Parks issues on September 2, 2008 at 9 a.m. @ the State Building. Seconded by Commissioner Bengry.
MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Bengry – commented that the board should start working on the non-union / non-elected contracts. Suggested August 27, 2008.

Commissioner Schultz – commented on MACC conference; concerns about contracts & appropriations.

Commissioner Elegeert – no comment

XIII. MEETING SCHEDULE

September 2, 2008 -	9:00 a.m. Meeting of the Whole (State Building) 5:15 p.m. Regular Board Meeting (Circuit Court)
September 9, 2008 -	9:30 a.m. Continuation of Budget Session

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Schultz to adjourn at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hope I. Rudden, Deputy Clerk

Thomas Elegeert, Board Chairperson