

**DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**  
**April 7, 2009**

Escanaba, Michigan

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

April 2, 2009

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 7, 2009, at 5:15 p.m. in the Circuit Courtroom of the Delta County Courthouse.

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 5:15 p.m. in the Probate Courtroom of the Delta County Courthouse by Delta County Clerk, Nancy Kolich.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Rivard seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve the minutes of the March 17, 2009 as corrected - changing contract to negotiations under New Business item 6.

ROLL CALL	BENGRY	NO
	RIVARD	YES
	RUOHOMAKI	YES
	SCHULTZ	NO, Opposed to how the Telephone Procurement Process was handled.
	ELEGEERT	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

## VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Schultz to amend the agenda moving the Committee of the Whole minutes of 3-31-09 to Unfinished Business item 1. for further action. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Bengry to add Telephone RFP discussion to the agenda.

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

MOTION FAILED, must be unanimous.

## VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

### A. Received:

1. Letter from Northcare Network re: Substance Abuse Funds.
2. Resolution from Antrim County Board.
3. Public Notice from Wells Township
4. Resolutions from Ottawa County Board.
5. Resolution from Berrien County Board.
6. Resolution from Lake County Board.
7. Resolution from Ogemaw County Board.
8. Resolution from Lenawee County Board.
9. Resolution from Oscoda County Board.
10. Copy of Letter to Lt. Gov. Cherry from Schoolcraft Co.

### B. Forwarded: 1. Letter to Marilyn Kinsey.

## VII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

1. Delta County Human Services minutes of 1-26 & 2-23-09
2. DATA Board minutes of 1-29-09
3. Pinecrest Board minutes of 2-26-09
4. Solid Waste Management minutes of 2-24-09
5. M/D/S CAA/HRA minutes of 3-12-09
6. Brownfield Authority minutes of 1-14-09
7. Concealed Weapons minutes of 3-17-09

## VIII. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS.

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.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to put a Resolution of Support of MSU Extension on the April 14<sup>th</sup> agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Vickie Micheau, Airport Board, addressed the Board regarding the proposed airport hangars and utilizing the Builders Exchange in the bid process.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.

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

2. Computer Committee minutes of 3-24-09.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to allow the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority to have a webpage on the County's website with set up costs to be determined. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Ruhomaki and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to allow the Townships to have a webpage on the County's website for a setup fee of \$50.00 and an annual maintenance fee of \$50.00. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to accept the minutes and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Annual Report of Balance in Land Sale Proceeds Account.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Schultz to receive the report for the 2004 land sale, as presented, by Treasurer Buckland and place on file. MOTION CARRIED

X. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Committee of the Whole minutes of 3-31-09.

1. Ren Zone Property - Hangar Loan.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to transfer the 2 acre parcel of Airport property (\$28,000 value) to the City of Escanaba as payment of the outstanding Hangar loan. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Civil Aviation.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to build 2 hangars at the Airport using up to \$150,000 of the Residual Equity Fund. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Jail Addition Loan.

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to forgive the Jail Addition Loan to clear the loan off the books. MOTION CARRIED.

4. 2 Year Degree Educational Requirement.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Schultz to move agenda item to the next meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

Move by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to receive the minutes and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$1,434,055.08. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Request from Bark River Township to waive building permits.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to waive the building permit fees for the Bark River Township storage building. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Resignation of Tony Schomin from Airport Board.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to accept the letter of resignation from Tony Schomin for the Airport Board and send a letter thanking Mr. Schomin for his service to the Airport Board. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Resignation of Ronald Powers from DATA Board.

Informational - City of Escanaba appointment.

5. Authorization for Sheriff to apply and Administer US Dept. of Justice and Law Enforcement Grants.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to authorize the Sheriff to apply and administer USDJ Law Enforcement Grant and authorize the Chairman's signature on the grant application. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Proclaim April "Head Start Month".

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to proclaim April Head Start month. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Recommendation from Brownfield Authority requesting Board apply for EPA Clean Up Grants.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to approve the EPA Grant applications as requested. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Art Menard, Commandant of the Marine Corp. League.

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to refer to the Finance Committee for a recommendation. MOTION CARRIED.

#### XI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Dick Stichman, Solutions Telecommunications Specialists, addressed the Board with his concerns with the telephone system bid process.

Tom Lippens, Electrical Contractor, addressed the Board with his concerns of how do the local contractors get qualified - the formula works against local contractors.

Nick Sigan, Solutions Telecommunications, addressed the Board with his concerns with the telephone system bid process.

Randy Godlewski, Kobas Electric, addressed the Board with his concerns with the telephone system bid process.

Joe Knauf, DS Tech, addressed the Board with his concerns with the telephone system bid process.

Pete Denman, VP DS Tech, addressed the Board with his concerns with the telephone system bid process.

#### XII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERN

Commissioner Ruohomaki: Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to refer the 2 year degree requirement in the Clerk's offices to the Committee of the Whole meeting to be set in the near future. MOTION CARRIED.

Telephone issue - adopted procedure has flaws but does have a complaint procedure that will allow it to come back to the Board.

Commissioner Schultz: Stated his concerns with the RFP process.

Commissioner Bengry: Apologized for his yes vote on the telephone system and feels the Board should disregard and start new.

Commissioner Rivard: Didn't allow the telephone issue on the agenda because in the past it has been destructive. Honest Board and respect for MI Works. Went through this procedure because the Board admitted the first bid process was flawed. There is an appeal process. Has concerns about MSU Extension - the State budget has a one billion dollar shortfall.

Commissioner Elegeert: The Board has made a best attempt to find a solution to the procurement process.

April 14<sup>th</sup> 1:00 p.m. Statutory meeting at State Office Bldg.  
April 21<sup>st</sup> 5:15 p.m. Board meeting.

#### XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to adjourn at 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Nancy J. Kolich, County Clerk

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Thomas Elegeert, Board Chairperson