

**DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**  
**March 16, 2010**

Escanaba, Michigan

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

March 11, 2010

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 March 16, 2010, at 5:15 p.m. in the Circuit Courtroom of the Delta County Courthouse.

Sincerely yours,  
Nancy Kolich  
Delta County Clerk

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners Bengry, Elegeert, Rivard, Ruohomaki and  
Schultz - by telephone.

ABSENT: None.

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

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2010 meeting and the Committee of the Whole minutes of March 1, 2010 as corrected. MOTION CARRIED. Bengry and Ruohomaki opposed.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A. Received: No Communications received.

B. Forwarded: No Communications forwarded.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS      None.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.

4. Communication.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Rivard that the Administrator have equal say with the Board in hiring the Administrative Assistant/Board Secretary. MOTION FAILED.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz to follow past practice and have the Administrator hire the Administrative Assistant/Board Secretary. MOTION FAILED for lack of support. Commissioner Schultz is concerned about this creating legal problems.

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

X. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$509,309.29. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Resolution on Asian Carp.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to adopt the Resolution to Stop the Asian Carp Invasion into the Great Lakes, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Parks - Michigan Trust Fund Grant.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to authorize the MDNR Trust Fund Grant application, the County's funding match of \$61,319 as a loan from the Capitol Outlay fund to the Park's Commission to be paid back over time, and Gary Branz as the Authorized representative, as presented.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

4. Airport Fence Project.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve the Airport Fence Project as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Investments Quarterly Report.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to receive the report and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Mediride EMS.

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Schultz to table. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Memorandum of Understanding.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve the Memorandum of Understanding to extend all EMS services provided in Delta County to the Sault Tribe of Chippewa, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Connie Osier addressed the Board with her concerns regarding past practice of hiring Administrative Assistant/Board Secretary and to take a serious look at the conflict of interest.

Rory Mattson addressed the Board with his concerns that the County Board should allow the Administrator to hire her assistant.

XII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERN

Commissioner Bengry: Believes in checks and balances. Concerned that the Daily Press misquotes him.

Commissioner Rivard: None.

Commissioner Ruohomaki: The last job description for the Administrative Assistant specifically states under the supervision of the Administrator.

Commissioner Schultz: Administrative Assistant works for the Administrator so the Administrator should do the hiring.

Commissioner Elegeert: Administrative Assistant works for the Administrator so the Administrator should do the hiring.

XIII. MEETING SCHEDULE

April 6th                      5:15 p.m.    Board meeting.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

        Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner  
Schultz 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