

**DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**  
**March 2, 2010**

Escanaba, Michigan

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

February 25, 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 2, 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.

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 February 16, 2010 meeting, with the correction to the name of the Commissioner seconding the motion to receive the Finance Committee minutes of February 11, 2010 and place on file (item 2. Page 3). MOTION CARRIED. Bengry and Ruohomaki opposed.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve the agendas as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A. Received:

1. Letter from Timothy McGuire, MAC.

2. Letter from Senator Michael Prusi.
3. Oceana County Resolution.
4. Berrien County Resolution.
5. Marquette County Resolution.
6. Cheboygan County Resolution.
7. Lake County Resolution.
8. Isabella County Resolution.
9. Charlevoix County Resolution.
10. Oceana County Resolution.
11. City of Escanaba-Obsolete Property Rehabilitation.
12. Letter from the Dept. of Natural Resources.

B. Forwarded:

1. Letter to Greg Monroe, Merit Network.

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

1. Central Dispatch Authority minutes of 1-6-10.
2. Parks and Recreation Commission minutes of 1-13-10.
3. Airport Advisory Board minutes of 1-13-10.
4. Concealed Weapons Board minutes of 1-19-10.
5. Public Health minutes of 1-20-10.
6. Solid Waste Management minutes of 1-20-10.
7. Brownfield Redevelopment minutes of 2-17-10.

VIII. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS.

1. Township Association minutes of 1-28-10.
2. UP-911 minutes of 1-29-10.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki 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.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.
  1. Out of County Travel.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve Out of County Travel for Bob Berbohm to attend a Toxic Chemical Release Inventory and Hazardous Chemical Inventory workshop at NMU on April 27, 2010 registration fee of \$75.00 and mileage. MOTION CARRIED.

4. First Aid Kit.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to approve the request from the Delta County Clerk's office to purchase a first aid kit to be used in the Courthouse for both employees and visitors for up to \$89.95. MOTION CARRIED.

6. UP Snophlyers.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to adopt a Resolution Recognizing the UP Snophlyers as a non-profit organization operating in Delta County for the purpose of obtaining a gaming license. MOTION CARRIED.

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

2. Personnel Committee Minutes of 2-18-10.

2. Ad for the Daily Press.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to advertise the Administrative Assistant/Confidential Board Secretary position in the Daily Press as corrected. MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Elegeert relinquishes the Chair to Vice Chair Schultz for discussion of this issue.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Elegeert to amend the Administrative Assistant job description as stated.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to receive the minutes and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

X. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$602,906.95. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Resolution on Parks and Recreation Park Plan.

Moved by Commissioner Bengry and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to adopt the Resolution of Recreation Plan Adoption by the Delta County Parks and Recreation Commission as presented.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

3. CUPPAD Resolution on US-2/US-41/M-35 Corridor.

Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to table the Resolution and Memorandum of Understanding as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

4. U.P. State Fair Update by Vickie Micheau.

Vickie Micheau presented a written report updating the Board on the U.P. State Fair activities. Fair office will reopen on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Entertainment announcements will be made at the May Business After Hours which will be held at the UP State Fair. A full report including the budget will be submitted to the Administrator. Moved by Commissioner Ruohomaki and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to accept the report and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

XII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERN

Commissioner Bengry: Feels that the Personnel Committee was undermined with regards to the Administrative Assistant position.

Commissioner Rivard: Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Bengry to send a letter of Appreciation to the Administration Parks and Recreation Commission for the work put in on their study. MOTION CARRIED. Venetia Bryers was a good friend and a tireless worker for our County. Escanaba River Clean Up Project - have not been successful in receiving monies from the State and Federal Government but were recently requested by Levin and Stupak's to resubmit the grant requests.

Commissioner Ruohomaki: Doesn't agree with changes to the Administrative Assistant position at tonight's meeting. The State of Michigan made news today for releasing serious offender prisoners that will wind up in our county jails.

Commissioner Schultz: A change to the Administrative Assistant's job description so that they are answerable to the Administrator.

Commissioner Elegeert: Michigan Association of Counties submitted legislation to the State Legislator to addressing unfunded mandates.

#### XIII. MEETINGS

March 16<sup>th</sup> 5:15 p.m. Board meeting.

#### XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Schultz and seconded by Commissioner Ruohomaki to adjourn at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Nancy J. Kolich, County Clerk      Thomas Elegeert, Board Chairperson