

Approved 12-3-13

**DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
November 19, 2013**

Escanaba, Michigan

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

November 14, 2013

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 November 19, 2013, 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 Elegeert, Harrington, Moyle and Rivard.

ABSENT: Commissioner Holm.

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 Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Harrington to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2013 meeting and the November 7 and November 12, 2013 Committee of the Whole meetings. MOTION CARRIED.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Moyle 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 received.

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

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IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Darrel Bengry, retired County Commissioner, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding the cuts in labor at the county.

Leslie Ruohomaki, retired County Commissioner, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding potential cuts to MSU Extension in next year's budget.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.

No Report.

2. Personnel minutes of 11-6-13.

1. Meeting with Sheriff Ballweg.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Harrington to approve a budgetary amendment to add a corrections officer to the jail budget.

ROLL CALL	HARRINGTON	YES
	HOLM	ABSENT
	MOYLE	YES
	RIVARD	YES
MOTION CARRIED	ELEGEERT	YES

2. Request for Lump Sum Retirement Payout - Oswald.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve the lump sum retirement payout to Under Sheriff Ed Oswald, upon his retirement, as requested. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Automation Fund - Request for Additional Hours.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to approve 5 additional hours per week in the Register of Deeds office, October 1, 2013 through January 31, 2014, to be paid from the Register of Deed's Automation Fund. MOTION CARRIED.

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Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to receive the Personnel minutes of 11-6-13 and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

X. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Harrington and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$172,317.46 and Commissioners' expenses of \$1,972.95. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Jail Staffing Request.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to set up a Committee of the Whole meeting with the Sheriff to discuss the jail staffing request. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Agreement with the Delta Conservation District - Parks FY 2013.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to table this item until a Parks representative is present. MOTION CARRIED.

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Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to table this item until a Parks representative is present. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Resolution to Apply for Brownfield Loan (Fleet Maintenance).

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to adopt a Resolution to apply for a MDEQ Brownfield Redevelopment Grants and Loans Program for \$450,000 for Fleet Maintenance, LLC that will be guaranteed by the City of Escanaba. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Request to Allow Donation of Sick Leave to Donald Brockway.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to allow employees to donate sick leave to Don Brockway to care for his daughter due to a medical emergency. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Letter to Senators Requesting Waiver from Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Obamacare).

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to send a letter to our U.S. Senators requesting a waiver for the County from the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Obamacare). MOTION CARRIED.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Christine Pepin, President AFSCME Local 2755, addressed the Board with her and the Union's concerns regarding cutting of union positions.

Claudia Bradfield, retired courthouse employee, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the layoff of housekeeping and maintenance employees.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Moyle: Will look into the concerns that have been brought up this week, thanked them for attending meeting, cell phone number 235-8427.

Commissioner Rivard: Concerned with lost revenue both past and present, plus increases in health care costs, and his concerns with the retirement of Ed Oswald.

Commissioner Harrington: None.

Commissioner Elegeert: Layoffs are eminent, the Administrator is working on a plan to mitigate the layoffs, she will work with the Board and the AFSCME President.

8. Executive Session.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Harrington to move into closed session at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a settlement offer, and contract negotiations under OMI Section 15.268(8)(e) and (c).

ROLL CALL	HARRINGTON	YES
	HOLM	ABSENT
	MOYLE	YES
	RIVARD	YES
	ELEGEERT	YES

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Moved by Commissioner Harrington and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to reconvene into regular session at 6:59 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

No actions were taken during executive session.

Moved by Commissioner Harrington and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to agree to settle the past due rent from Pathways for \$202,000 (50%) pending approval of their Board.

ROLL CALL	HARRINGTON	YES
	HOLM	ABSENT
	MOYLE	YES
	RIVARD	NO
	ELEGEERT	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Harrington and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to go with Interest Based Negotiations with the Road Patrol. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Harrington and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to authorize the Administrator to explore opening a retirement window option for the courthouse unit. MOTION CARRIED.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

December 3 rd	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.
December 17 th	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.

XV. NOTICES

30 day Notice of Appointments.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Harrington and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to adjourn at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy J. Kolich, County Clerk

Thomas C. Elegeert, Board Chair