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**DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
October 7, 2014**

Escanaba, Michigan

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

October 2, 2014

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 October 7, 2014, 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 Harrington, Miller, Moyle and Rivard.

EXCUSED: Commissioner Elegeert.

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 Rivard to approve the County Board minutes of the September 16, 2014, meeting and the Committee of the Whole meetings of October 1, 2014. 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:

1. Letter from Emily Brewster, Merriam-Webster.
2. Letter from William and Michele Goldi.

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3. Letter from Wells Township (2).
4. Letter from the City of Escanaba.
5. Letter from US Army Corps of Engineers.

B. Forwarded:

1. Letter to Representative Peter Pettalia.
2. Letter to Janet Craig.
3. Letter to USDA.

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

1. Brownfield Quarterly Report #15, & minutes of 1-18-12, 3-21-12, 5-16-12, 9-19-12, 10-10-12 and 11-13-12.
2. Airport Advisory Board minutes of 3-12 & 4-16-14.
3. CAA/HRA Governing Board minutes of 7-24-14.
4. Pinecrest Board minutes of 7-24-14.
5. Human Services Board minutes of 7-21-14.
6. Public Health Board minutes 8-20-14.
7. Solid Waste Authority minutes of 8-26-14

VIII. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS.

1. Township Association minutes of 5-22-14.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Miller to receive the communications and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Personnel Committee meeting of 9-11-14.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to receive the Personnel Committee minutes and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

XI. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$1,486,591.62 and Commissioner's expenses of \$906.44. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Out of County Travel - UPACC Conference.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve out of county travel to the Island Resort in Harris for the UPACC Conference October 16 & 17th. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Resolution Opposing Rate Increases Caused by Proposed Subsidies.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to adopt the Resolution Opposing Rate Increases caused by Proposed Subsidies of \$52 million to operate the Presque Isle Power Plant. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Airport Projects.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to approve Community Hanger Door Improvement - heat for the door rails system installed at a cost of up to \$22,100. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve the purchase of 4 tires for the loader at the Airport, not to exceed \$4,000, if necessary. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Ratification of Circuit Court Contract.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to ratify the Circuit Court Contract, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Amendment for the Solid Waste Plan.

Moved by Commissioner Miller and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to adopt the amendment to Solid Waste Plan to allow non hazardous materials and other Type III solid waste generated within the Escanaba Paper Company mill site property to be disposed of at the existing EPC landfill, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Delta Animal Shelter Invoice.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to approve payment of the Delta Animal Shelter invoice for \$2,088.33. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Water at the Bay de Noc Kennel Club Building, Fencing and Storage Building.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to allow the Bay de Noc Kennel Club to use the existing fenced area and storage building and the county will continue to heat the water pump room which supplies water to the BDNKC building. MOTION CARRIED.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Fred Bates, Garden Township Tax Review Board, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding Garden Township wind turbine and consider a moratorium on building any more wind turbines until their zoning request can be addressed.

John Gavre, Garden Township, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding Garden Township wind turbines and the decibel allowance level.

Marlene Winter Johnson, Garden Township, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding setbacks for wind turbines on the Garden Peninsula.

Ruth Craig, Garden Township, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding migratory birds and setbacks for the Garden wind turbines.

Janet Daasch, Garden Township, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the security bond for removal of the Garden Township Wind Turbines once they are decommissioned.

Stu Craig, Garden Township, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding Garden Township wind turbines.

Dan Sandin, Garden Township, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding a moratorium on the Garden Township wind turbines while issues are addressed.

Cristi Curre, Garden Township, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the Garden Wind Turbines.

Rick Wilson, Heritage Farms, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding personal property taxes will continue to be paid.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Harrington: Congratulate the new sheriff and thanked Under Sheriff Griebel for stepping up to the platter. Believes that the Zoning wind turbine process needs to move forward. Will not move forward on a moratorium until we have a legal opinion on the issue.

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Commissioner Miller: We have a new sheriff and look forward to working with him. Thanked the Sheriff Appointment Board.

Commissioner Moyle: Still reading the letters regarding wind turbines and it does need to be resolved. This issue is not dead in the water. Did not realize how much information is out there. Maximize safety first and quality of life. Good questions that the Board needs to look at. This is a process. Cell number 235-8427.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to seek a legal opinion on a wind turbine moratorium. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Rivard: Congratulate the new sheriff. A lot of concerns on both sides of the wind turbine issue. A short term moratorium would be proper. If not addressed at the next Zoning Commission meeting - he will make motions from this Board.

Commissioner Elegeert: None.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

October 14 th	5:15 p.m.	Statutory Board meeting.
October 21 st	2:00 p.m.	Committee of the Whole meeting at Road Commission Conference Room.
October 21 st	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.
November 4 th	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.

XV. NOTICES

30 day Notice of Appointment.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to adjourn at 6:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy J. Kolich, County Clerk

Mary Harrington, Board Vice-Chair