DELA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
September 15, 2015
Escanaba, Michigan

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

September 10, 2015

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 September 15, 2015, at 5:15 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Delta County Service Center.

Sincerely yours,
Nancy J. Kolich
Delta County Clerk

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners Harrington, Johnson, Malnar, Moyle, and Rivard.

EXCUSED: None.

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Delta County Service Center 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 Johnson to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2015 meeting. 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 were received.
B. Forwarded: No communications were forwarded.
VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Marlene Winter Johnson, Garden Township, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the Garden Wind Turbines. She requested a moratorium on any new turbines until the amended ordinance has been adopted and that the County adopt the Schoolcraft County Wind Turbine Ordinance.

Fred Bates, Garden Township, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding the Garden wind turbines.

Tanna Lexin, Garden Township, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the Garden wind turbines, in support of Heritage Wind Farms.

Tyler Lucas, Garden Township, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding the Wind Turbines, in support of the wind turbines.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator’s Report.

The Administrator gave an update on the Verso Tax Tribunal Appeal – a settlement was reached with the cost to the County of $120,000 and $44,000 annually.


Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to receive the Building and Grounds minutes of 9-2-15 and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.


2. New Hire Background Check and New Hire Policy.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to update the New Hire Background Check, the New Hire Policy, as presented, and that the Board would receive the name of a new hire prior to being hired. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Travel Policy.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Harrington to adopt the Travel Policy, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.


Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to approve the updated Airport Operations
Specialist Position requirements removing the Fire Training requirements, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to receive the Personnel minutes of 9-3-15 and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

X. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Jail.

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 $209,214.15 and Commissioners expenses of $951.34. MOTION CARRIED.

   2. Hannahville 2% Grant – Hope at the Inn Homeless Shelter.

      Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to authorize the Board Chair to sign the Hannahville 2% Grant application for $10,000 for Hope at the Inn Homeless Shelter. MOTION CARRIED.


   Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to join the Northwoods Rail Transit Authority and pay the associated fee of $100 annually. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar that Commissioner Rivard, Peter Van Steen, CUPPAD, and Administrator Bergman, ex officio, be appointed to the Committee. MOTION CARRIED.


   Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to fund the Community Corrections Program up to $35,000 for one year, as recommended by the Administrator. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Recommended Budget Adjustments.

   a. Swamp Tax Revenue.

      The Swamp Tax Revenue has increase by $32,107 for 2015-16 General Fund Revenue.
b. EDA Support.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to increase from $15,000 to $20,000 to match the City of Escanaba.

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MOTION CARRIED.

c. Work Release Program.

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to approve $27,107 to the Community Corrections Program for one year. MOTION CARRIED.


A. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to authorize the Administrator to transfer budget line items in order to balance budget within guidelines as adopted or to comply with State & Federal Statutes. MOTION CARRIED.

B. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to authorize Administrator to handle other year end and housekeeping items. MOTION CARRIED.

C. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to authorize the Administrator to update the County’s Chart of Accounts to comply with the State of Michigan’s Uniform Chart of Accounts. MOTION CARRIED.

D. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve the budget amendments to make any additional amendments to conform with the Uniform Budgeting Act. MOTION CARRIED.

E. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to adopt the 2015-16 Budget, amending the Budget to increase the EDA funding to $20,000 and Community Corrections funding by 27,107, to reflect the Board actions taken at the 9-15-15 Board meeting.

F. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to adopt the 2015-16 General Budget
Regulations, as presented, with amendments to reflect Board action taken at the 9-15-15 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

G. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to adopt the 2015-16 Budget Resolution, as presented, with amendments to reflect Board action taken at the 9-15-15 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

H. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to adopt the 2015-16 Purchase Order Policy as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

I. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to accept the Human Services Agency Resolution. MOTION CARRIED.

J. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to accept the Road Commission Resolution. MOTION CARRIED.

K. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to accept the Remonumentation Peer Group Per Diem and Mileage Resolution. MOTION CARRIED.

7. FY 2016 Specialized Services/CAA.

Moved by Commissioner Rivard and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to authorize the Community Action Agency to apply for State funding. MOTION CARRIED. Moved by Commissioner Harrington and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to send a letter to William Dubord thanking him for his years of service to the Community Action Agency. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Fair Board Authority Ambulance Presence.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to authorize the Administrator to send a letter encouraging the Fair Board Authority to mandate an ambulance presence at Fairground events paid by the promoter. MOTION CARRIED.


Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to send a Resolution in Support of Law Enforcement Officers to Washington, DC, the Governor, and the State House and Senate.

ROLL CALL:

JOHNSON: YES
MALNAR  YES
MOYLE  YES
RIVARD  YES
HARRINGTON  YES

MOTION CARRIED.

10. Register of Deeds Backloading Project.

Moved by Commissioner Harrington and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to approve up to 4 hours per week per employee for the backloading project, effective immediately.  MOTION CARRIED.


Schedule the October 6 meeting to address the Wind Turbine issue.  Dan Menacher and members of the Planning Commission will be notified.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Brenda Lester, Garden Township Clerk, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the Garden Wind Turbines.

Janet Feenstra Daasch, Garden Township Trustee, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the Garden Wind Turbines. Thanked the deputy that is present at the Garden Township meetings.

Laura Lucas, Garden Township, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the Garden Wind Turbines.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Johnson:  Thanked Ryan for his work on the budget. Thanked the churches and volunteers that support Hope at the Inn. Thanked Commissioner Moyle for coming up with the Resolution.

Commissioner Malnar: Thanked Commissioner Moyle for coming up with the Resolution.

Commissioner Moyle:  Thanked law enforcement. Thanked the Board for their support on his resolutions.

Commissioner Rivard:  Big Box issue not going away. Escanaba River bridge torn down. County property on both sides of bridge. Property owners are requesting the property. Appreciates Mr. Bergman’s leadership.
Commissioner Harrington: Mr. Bergman is doing an excellent job. Big relief that the Escanaba bridge will not be closed during construction.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

September 17th  2:00 p.m.  Finance Committee meeting.
October 6th    5:15 p.m.    Board meeting.
October 13th   5:15 p.m.    Statutory Board meeting.
October 20th   5:15 p.m.    Board meeting.

XV. NOTICES

30 day Notice of Appointments.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Rivard to adjourn at 7:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Nancy J. Kolich, County Clerk  Mary K. Harrington, Chair