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**DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**  
**April 6, 2021**

Escanaba, Michigan

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

April 1, 2021

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 April 6, 2021, at 5:15 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Delta County Service Center and via Zoom.

Sincerely yours,  
Nancy J. Przewrocki  
Delta County Clerk

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners Malnar, Johnson, Nelson, Moyle, and Barron.

ABSENT: None.

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Delta County Service Center by Delta County Clerk, Nancy Przewrocki.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2021. MOTION CARRIED.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to approve the agenda, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Received: 1. Letter from the State of Michigan.  
2. Resolution from Genesee County.

B. Forwarded: No communications were forwarded.

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VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY SPECIAL COMMITTEES

1. Pinecrest Board minutes of 9-24, 10-22, 11-19, 11-19, & 12-17-20.
2. CAA/HRA minutes of 1-14-21.
3. Solid Waste Authority minutes of 2-23-21.
4. Central Dispatch minutes of 3-10-21.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to receive the Committee Reports and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Lynn Soderberg, Escanaba, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the Escanaba Library.

Nicole Belongie, addressed the Board with her concerns with the changes to the Fuller Park Seasonal Site Policy.

Sandy Hartman, addressed the Board with her concerns with the changes to the Fuller Park Seasonal Site Policy.

Andrew Closs, Delta County Non-motorized Trails, expressed his support for the bicycle trail from Escanaba to Gladstone.

Dani LeBeau, Escanaba, addressed the Board with her concerns with the changes to the Fuller Park Seasonal Site Policy.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.

Administrator DeSalvo gave the Board a verbal and written Administrator's report.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to receive the Administrator's Report and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Finance Committee minutes of 3-30-21.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to receive the Finance Committee minutes of 3-30-21 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 Barron to pay bills in the amount of \$ 1,084,355.68 and Commissioners expenses of \$ 576.64.

ROLL CALL	MALNAR	YES
	NELSON	YES
	MOYLE	YES
	BARRON	YES
	JOHNSON	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Escanaba Library Funding Request.

Carolyn Stacey, Escanaba Public Library Director, gave the Board a presentation on services offered by the Escanaba Public Library including an enhanced virtual library that is available 24/7. Patrick Jordan, Escanaba City Manager, addressed the Board regarding library funding. Marc Tall, Mayor of the City of Escanaba, asked that the City and County work together to provide the services that Delta County residents need. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to refer the request to the Finance Committee on April 12<sup>th</sup>. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to authorize the Administrator to write a letter of support for the City of Escanaba infrastructure grant application. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Property Swap with City of Escanaba: Fairgrounds/9<sup>th</sup> Avenue North Right of Way.

Jim McNeil, Escanaba City Assessor, surveyor found city owned property at the Fairgrounds. He is suggesting a land swap. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to table until it can be discussed with the U.P. State Fair Authority. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Health Department Security Renovations.

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to support the Security Renovations at the Health Department, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Landfill Letter of Credit.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to approve the Letter of Credit, as requested by the Solid Waste Management Authority. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Airport -PFAS Testing Expense.

Andrea Nummilien, Airport Manager, requested to borrow \$52,850.75, to be used for engineering services, that will be repaid once they receive grant reimbursement. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to loan \$52,750.75 from Fund 581, to the Airport to be paid back in 3-4 weeks.

ROLL CALL	MALNAR	YES
	NELSON	YES
	MOYLE	YES
	BARRON	YES
	JOHNSON	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

7. Township Zoning Agreements.

Moved by Commissioner Nelson and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to approve the Township Zoning Agreements, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Resignation of Melissa Bonifas-Ness, Request to Fill Family Advocate Position.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to approve filling the position and sending a letter of appreciation to Ms. Ness. MOTION CARRIED.

9. Line 5 Tunnel.

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Barron to re-send the previous letter of support and a new letter of support for Line 5 Tunnel, to be signed by the Commissioners, as presented.

ROLL CALL	MALNAR	YES
	NELSON	YES
	MOYLE	YES
	BARRON	YES
	JOHNSON	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

10. MERS - Judge Lund.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to approve the MERS Administrative Contract to carve out a timeframe specifically for Judge Lund to apply his sick time payout to his MERS FAC, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

11. Addressing Ordinance and Policy.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to approve the Addressing Ordinance and Policy, as presented, with a 30 day Public Comment period. MOTION CARRIED.

12. COVID -19:.

b. Declaration of Local State of Emergency.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to extend the Declaration of Local State of Emergency for 28 days. MOTION CARRIED.

13. Delta County Parks.

a. Fuller Park - 2021 Camping Reservations

Rory Mattson, Delta County Conservation District Director, addressed very limited area for expansion, and campsites needing to be moved. There will be no changes as to the process of reservations for the 2021 camping season.

b. Fuller Park - Beach Use.

Rory Mattson, Delta County Conservation District Director, addressed why Fuller Park can't open as a public beach - the septic system would be able to handle the increase.

c. Possible Bike Path - Connect Escanaba to Gladstone.

Could connect both ends by putting a box culvert under the CN railroad bridge, which could be funded with a DNR Trust Fund Grant. Mr. Mattson suggested that the Delta County Non-motorized Trail group take on the project and offered his assistance with the grant application.

14. Delta Conservation District.

a. Demolition Project - Escanaba River & Wells Shoreline.

The equipment will be moved on Monday to start the demolition project of the old Road Commission buildings.

b. Zoning Issue: Timber Production vs Resource Production.

Rory Mattson, Delta County Conservation District Director, requested that Timber Production properties in Delta County be re-zoned to Resource Production.

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XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael LeBeau, Escanaba, would the County be interested in selling Fuller Park?

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Malnar: None.

Commissioner Nelson: Pinecrest Administrator and Director of Nursing both resigned. Thank you to Administrator DeSalvo for attending those Pinecrest meetings.

Commissioner Moyle: Thank you to Carolyn Stacey for all that you do for the Library.

Commissioner Barron: Thank you to Rory and the Conservation District.

Commissioner Johnson: None.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

April 12 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Finance Committee meeting.
April 13 <sup>th</sup>	5:15 p.m.	Statutory Board meeting.
April 20 <sup>th</sup>	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.
May 4 <sup>th</sup>	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.
May 18 <sup>th</sup>	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.

XV. NOTICES

30 day notice of appointments: None.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to adjourn at 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Nancy J. Przewrocki, County Clerk

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Patrick Johnson, Board Chair