

Approved 2-2-21

**DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
January 19, 2021**

Escanaba, Michigan

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

January 14, 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 January 19, 2021, at 5:15 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Delta County Service Center.

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 Malnar to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2021, as corrected adding 2 to item 7. MOTION CARRIED. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to approve the minutes January 11, 2021 meeting and Committee of the Whole meeting of January 8, 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: No Communications were received.
- B. Forwarded: No communications were forwarded.

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY SPECIAL COMMITTEES

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Dan Menacher, Building and Zoning Director, reminded the Board that the Planning Commission was increased to 9 members to help with the Master Plan, which is now completed. He also stated that having 2 County Commissioners on the Planning Commission would increase the communication between the Planning Commission and the Board.

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.

XI. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. 2020 DCEDA Invoice.

Ed LeGault, Executive Director of the Delta County Economic Development Alliance, gave the Board an update on the DCEDA.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to approve payment of the 2020 DCEDA invoice for \$20,000.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to pay bills in the amount of \$ 458,931.27 and Commissioners expenses of \$ 1,080.04.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Moment of Silence for COVID Victims.

The board observed 30 seconds of silence in memory of the COVID-19 victims at 5:30 p.m.

3. Planning Commission Membership.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to return to 7 Planning Commission members. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Appointment to the Planning Commission.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to keep two County Commissioners on the Planning Commission.

ROLL CALL	MALNAR	YES
	NELSON	YES
	MOYLE	YES
	BARRON	YES
	JOHNSON	NO

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Nelson and seconded by Commissioner Barron to reappoint Christine Williams to fill Julian Vandecaveye's seat ending 12-31-22 and Randy Scott to fill Benny Herioux's seat ending 12-31-23, in order to stay in compliance to the Public Act for Planning Commissions. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Emergency Sign Grant.

Administrator DeSalvo gave the Board an update of the USDA Emergency Sign Grant, with funds being released through the Community Foundation to the Townships. There are several invoices now that will be paid through the County before the USDA Grant will kick in. This project is on-going.

6. Request to Donate Sick Leave.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to approve donation of sick time, as requested. MOTION CARRIED.

7. COVID-19:

Covid numbers continue to improve in Delta County. The 65 and over age group have received 900 doses with 1066 appointments to receive the vaccine and 2,000 on a waiting list. Vaccine supply is an issue.

8. PFAS Investigation Report - Phase I.

Andrea Nummilien, Airport Manager, presented the Board with the PFAS Investigation Phase I Report. PFAS compounds were found in both soil samples and groundwater samples. The extent to which the groundwater is affected is unknown and will be released in Phase II. The public will be notified immediately upon those findings.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dan Menacher, Building and Zoning Director, addressed the Board stating now that the Master Plan has been completed, the County should focus on updating the Zoning Ordinance and maps.

Renee Richer, Escanaba Township, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding PFAS as they are an endocrine disrupter, please take the health of the landowners in consideration. Commissioner Barron - the plans for the Solar Farm were delayed because Escanaba Township did not have a legally functioning Planning and Zoning Commission.

Rory Mattson, Director of the Delta County Conservation District, gave the Board an updated map for roads, seasonal roads and walking trails in the Delta County Forest in Cornell.

Ed LeGault, DCEDC, thanked the Board for their support of the DCEDA and addressed the Board with his concerns regarding the Resolution in Support of Bars, Taverns and Restaurants. He is always available if the Board or Board members want feedback or insight. Governor Whitmer's Recovery Plan involves the Office of Rural Development.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Malnar: Met with Enbridge to learn about Line 5. It was very informative. Line 5 handles 23 million gallons of fluid per day with many safety precautions in place. Enbridge contributes \$340,000 in taxes to Delta County annually. The Board can take a tour of the Rapid River refinery or the Mackinaw City site upon request.

Commissioner Nelson: Baldwin and Bark River Townships are ready to start installing emergency signs. Enbridge did contribute \$20,000 for the emergency signs in Delta County.

Commissioner Moyle: Would also welcome Mr. LeGault's input. Was frustrated with the plight of small business owners.

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Commissioner Barron: Shares Commissioner Moyles frustration. Nothing was being done - just take the punishment. The Governor is not in touch with small business owners.

Commissioner Johnson: Thanked Commissioners Malnar and Moyle for staying on the Planning Commission. As soon as we knew PFAS were an issue at the Airport, we took steps and will continue to be at the forefront. Who sits on the Rural Development Commission.

Administrator DeSalvo: There are Facebook groups adopting bar workers/tenders and servers if you're willing to help or looking for help.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

February 2 nd	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.
February 16 th	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.
March 2 nd	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.
March 16 th	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.

XV. NOTICES

30 day notice of appointments: CUPPAD, Jury Commission, Pathways.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to adjourn at 6:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy J. Przewrocki, County Clerk

Patrick Johnson, Board Chair