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**DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
July 19, 2022**

Escanaba, Michigan

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

July 14, 2022

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 July 19, 2022, 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, Moyle, Nelson, 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 June 21, 2022 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Received:
1. Letter from Wells Township.
  2. Letter from County of Marquette.
  3. Letter from US Army Corps of Engineers (2).
  4. Resolution from Gogebic County.
  5. Resolution from Eaton County.
  6. Resolution from Branch County.
  7. Resolution from Kalkaska County.
  8. Letter from the State of Michigan.

9. Letter from Federal Energy Regulatory Commission(2).

- B. Forwarded:
1. Letter to Jennifer Harris.
  2. Letter to Jessica Budkis.
  3. Letter to Gregory Chenier.
  4. Letter to Russell Hall.
  5. Letter to Madison Edwards.
  6. Letter to Melissa Middaugh.

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

1. Airport Advisory Board minutes of 3-14-22, 5-9-22, 6-13-22.
2. Public Health minutes of 5-10-22.
3. Solid Waste Authority minutes of 5-24-22.
4. Human Services Board minutes of 6-8-22.
5. Central Dispatch minutes of 6-8-22.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar that the Communications and Reports of Standing and Statutory Committees and the Reports of Special Committees and Others be received and placed on file. MOTION CARRIED.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Christiana Reynolds, Escanaba, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding placing armed security guards in the Delta County School Districts.

Dave Johnson, Gladstone, addressed the Board with concerns regarding placing armed security guards in the local schools and suggested using trained dogs instead.

Kristin Bourdeau, Brampton, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding placing armed security guards in the Delta County School Districts.

Chris Lopez, Escanaba, Democratic candidate for State Rep, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding placing armed security guards in the Delta County School Districts and suggested standard operating procedures for each school.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.

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

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2. Personnel Committee minutes of 6-22-22.

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to receive the Personnel minutes of 6-22-22 and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Finance Committee minutes of 7-15-22.

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Moyle to receive the Finance Committee minutes of 7-15-22 and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Department Updates.

a. Airport:

b. Building and Maintenance:

c. Building and Zoning/Equalization:

d. Courts/Clerk & Register of Deeds/Prosecutor: County Clerk, Nancy Przewrocki gave the Board an update on election training and how valuable her staff is and that the Clerk's office is short staffed.

e. Emergency Management:

f. Parks and Recreation: Rory Mattson, Delta County Conservation District Director, stated that the camping income is right on par with previous years. Will be giving a presentation on the parks from 2008 to 2022.

g. Sheriff's Department: Sheriff Ed Oswald stated that they are down 8 officers due to retirements and turnover. Received \$170,000 grant for training.

h. Treasurer's Office:

i. Veteran's Service Office:

j. Administration:

XI. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Removed.

2. Removed.

3. Zoning Ordinance Repeal.

The Wexford group will meet with the townships on Tuesday August 9<sup>th</sup> at the Service Center.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to pay bills in the amount of \$ 2,812,870.14 and Commissioners expenses of \$ 1,101.17.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Prosecutor's Presentation.

Lauren Wickman, Prosecuting Attorney, gave the Board a presentation. Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to receive the Prosecutor's Report and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Airport PFC Account Use Policy.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to approve the Airport PFC Account Use Policy, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Hangar Leases.

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

5. Administrator's Contract.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to renew the current contract for 3 additional years allowing the Administrator to be eligible for cost-of-living increases during those three years starting with the cost-of-living increase approved for January 2023.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

6. Delta County Central Dispatch - 911 Authority.

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to make the Delta County Central Dispatch a County Department and the employees within the department County of Delta employees, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Resignation of S. Gallagher, Request to Fill Corrections Position.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to accept the resignation of S. Gallagher and to send a thank you letter for his service and filling the position. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Resignation of J. Walker, Request for Lump Sum Payout and to Fill Corrections Position.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to accept the resignation of J. Walker and to send a thank you letter for his service and approve payout and filling the position. MOTION CARRIED.

9. Resignation of M. Dickens, Request to Fill Corrections Position.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to accept the resignation of M. Dickens and to send a thank you letter for his service and filling the position. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Teamsters Agreement- Corrections and Road Patrol.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to approve the Letter of Agreement, as presented with the Teamsters Corrections and Road Patrol Agreement retroactive to July 15, 2022 and extending the life of the current contract. MOTION CARRIED.

11. UPAAA 2023-25 Multi-Year Plan.

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to approve the Upper Peninsula Area Agency on Aging 2023-2025 Multi-year Plan, as presented. MOTION CARRIED. Barron opposed.

12. Township Zoning Agreements.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to approve a 3 month extension on the Township Zoning Agreements, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

13. DATA Millage Renewal.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to accept the DATA Millage Renewal requests in Bay de Noc, Bark River and Escanaba Townships, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

14. Providing Security in our Schools.

Jim McNeil, Delta Force Security, gave the Board a presentation regarding school security in Delta County.

15. Emergency Management Contract with Schoolcraft County.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to end the Emergency Management contract with Schoolcraft County at the end of this fiscal year, as recommended by Emergency Manager Paul Geyer and Administrator Emily DeSalvo. MOTION CARRIED.

16. Highline Internet Letter of Support.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to send a Letter of Support for Highline Internet's Grant Application, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

17. Resignation of D. Menacher, Request for Lump Sum Payout.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to accept the resignation of D. Menacher and to send a thank you letter for his years of service and approve lump sum payout. This also includes approval of working part-time for the life of the Menominee County contract until September 30, 2022 MOTION CARRIED.

18. DNR Grant - UP Fair Authority, Upgrades to Campground.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to table for more information. MOTION CARRIED.

19. Friend of the Court Domestic Relations Referee Part-Time - R. Hall.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to approve the contract with Russell Hall to

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provide Friend of the Court Domestic Relations Referee services part-time until the position can be filled. MOTION CARRIED.

20. Canteen Services Increase.

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to approve the 10% increase in the Canteen Service contract at the Jail. MOTION CARRIED.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Monica Peach, Ford River Township, retired teacher, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding armed security in the schools.

Christine Williams, Ford River Township, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding school security - promoted the use of technology for school safety.

Christiana Reynolds, Escanaba, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding school security - against guns in schools.

Bob Petersen, Wells Township, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding school security.

Dave Johnson, Gladstone, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding school security - worried about friendly fire.

Rory Mattson, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding school security with inflation and deficit - funding will need a local millage.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Malnar: Let the schools come to us regarding security.

Commissioner Nelson: Pleased to see Emily with the Lt. Governor with Highline on Saturday in Ford River. To correct the record - there is no millage at Pinecrest.

Commissioner Moyle: Thank you to those that spoke today. Christine Williams - likes the idea of technology and Dave Johnston - likes the idea of dogs for school security. Did not overstep - looking at public safety.

Commissioner Barron: Solving problems - to solve we need to define it.

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Commissioner Johnson: Business After Hours will be in Gladstone on Wednesday July 27th. Dave Johnson will be doing a dog demonstration from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Emily DeSalvo: Thanked the Board for renewing her contract.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

August 2<sup>nd</sup> 5:15 p.m. Board meeting at the Service Center & Zoom.  
August 16<sup>th</sup> 5:15 p.m. Board meeting at the Service Center & Zoom.

XV. NOTICES

30-day notice of appointments:

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Barron to adjourn at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Nancy J. Przewrocki, County Clerk

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Patrick Johnson, Board Chair