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**DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
October 10, 2023**

Escanaba, Michigan

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

October 5, 2023

The Honorable Members of the Delta
County Board of Commissioners

Dear Commissioners:

A Statutory Meeting of the Delta County Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday October 10, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Delta County Service Center.

Sincerely yours,
Nancy J. Przewrocki
Delta County Clerk

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners Malnar, Viau, Barron, Moyle, and Petersen.

ABSENT: None.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Delta County Service Center by Delta County Clerk, Nancy Przewrocki.

IV. SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

1. Commissioner Workshop.

Not held - Statutory meeting.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Petersen to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2023. MOTION CARRIED.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED:

1. Letter from State of Michigan DHHS.

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2. Letter from Judge Lund.
3. Resolution from Tuscola County.
4. Letter from City of Escanaba.
5. Resolution from Huron County.

B. COMMUNICATIONS FORWARDED:

1. Letter to Paris LaCosse.

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY COMMITTEES

1. Human Services Board minutes of 6-22-23, 7-27-23
2. Pinecrest Board minutes of 6-22-23, 7-27-23, 8-24-23
3. Public Health minutes of 8-8-23

VIII. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

1. Township Association minutes of 5-25-23

Moved by Commissioner Barron 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

Gary Gustafson, Ensign Township, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding the Title IV-D grant requirements and discrimination.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.

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

3. Department Updates.

Lauren Wickman, Delta County Prosecuting Attorney, gave the Board information regarding the statute that regulates the Prosecutor as civil counsel for the County and the 10-day requirement to make a change in the Rules of Procedure.

Nancy J. Przewrocki, Delta County Clerk, gave an update on the Proposal 2 of 2022 changes that will affect the County and local jurisdictions.

XI. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Northcare Network Grants.

Moved by Commissioner Petersen and seconded by Commissioner Viau to approve the grant request with Northcare Network, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Viau to pay bills in the amount of \$ 1,720,748.31 and Commissioners expenses of \$ 547.99.

ROLL CALL	MALNAR	YES
	VIAU	YES
	BARRON	YES
	PETERSEN	YES
	MOYLE	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

2. 2023 Millage and Apportionment Report.

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Barron to approve the 2023 Millage and Apportionment Reports, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Healthcare Hard Cap Resolution.

Moved by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Petersen to table to the October 17th meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

4. DHHS Contract - Child Support Services (EGRAMS).

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Barron to approve the Chair to sign the DHHS Contract for Child Support Services, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Per Diem.

Discussion.

6. Civil Attorneys Stipend Increase.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to table to the next meeting to review the information presented by the Prosecutor. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Chief Assistant Prosecutor and Assistant Prosecutor Salary Increase.

Moved by Commissioner Petersen and seconded by Commissioner Barron to approve increasing the Chief Assistant Prosecutor salary to \$82,781 and the Assistant Prosecutor salary to \$67,794 for the fiscal year, as requested. (Annual salaries of \$80,360 and 66,302.07 respectfully). MOTION CARRIED.

8. Appointment to the DATA Board (2 openings).

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Petersen to reappoint Eric Buckman to the DATA Board. MOTION CARRIED.

9. Appointment to the Human Services Board (1 opening).

Moved by Commissioner Petersen and seconded by Commissioner Barron to reappoint Mary Olson to the Human Services Board. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Appointment to the Soldiers & Sailors Relief Commission (1 opening - Probate Appointment).

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to accept Judge Lund's re-appointment of David Wilson to the Soldiers and Sailors Relief Board. MOTION CARRIED.

11. Appointment to the Building Authority (5 openings).

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Petersen to re-appoint Tom Pairolero, and Larry Johnson to the Building Authority. MOTION CARRIED.

12. Appointment to the Elections Canvassers (2 openings).

Moved by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Petersen to appoint Theresa Nelson (D) and Sema Deeds (R) to the Board of Canvassers, as voted by the Board. MOTION CARRIED.

13. Appointment to the Airport Board (2 openings).

Moved by Commissioner Petersen and seconded by Commissioner Viau to re-appoint DeeDee Anderson Skradski and Brian Herioux to the Airport Board. MOTION CARRIED.

14. Appointment to the Construction and Zoning Board of Appeals (3 openings).

Moved by Commissioner Petersen and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to re-appoint Dennis Ness, John Denholm and Larry

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Johnson to the Construction and Zoning Board of Appeals. MOTION CARRIED.

15. Appointment to the Board of Health (1 opening).

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Viau to re-appoint Tom Trudgeon to the Board of Health for 2 years (the remainder of his 3-year term). MOTION CARRIED.

16. Appointment to the Land Bank (2 openings).

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Viau to re-appoint Tom Sabor and Erik Bessonon to the Land Bank. MOTION CARRIED.

17. Appointment to the Planning Commission (2 openings).

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Petersen to re-appoint John Denholm and Amy Berglund to the Planning Commission. MOTION CARRIED.

18. MIDC Grant.

Moved by Commissioner Petersen and seconded by Commissioner Viau to approve the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission Grant for \$721,283.23, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Al Ettenhofer, UP Whitetails Association, updated the Board with grants to the Community Forest and the work the UP Whitetails has done. There is a rabbit habit grant available. There have been problems with coyotes and they will be trying to get a coyote hunt going. Thanked the Board for getting the 1400 acres for the Community Forest.

Gary Gustafson, Ensign Township, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding discrimination in the court that happened to him. The State of Michigan is re-writing the rules to be in compliance with the ADA laws.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Malnar: Welcome to the new Airport Manager, Robert Ranstadler.

Commissioner Viau: County Board has final say with opioid funds - would like to get moving forward. Constituents have been great, tremendous amount of talent and good employees. VSO - would like to get a secretary for him or part-time employee. Three people

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graduating from Drug Court on October 26 at 5:00 pm in the Circuit Courtroom.

Commissioner Barron: Alexander Solzhenitsyn: "Human beings are born with different capacities, if they are free, they are not equal, if they are equal - they are not free." Booker T. Washington: "A lie doesn't become truth, wrong doesn't become right and evil does not become good because it is accepted by a majority." I think we should recognize and have sympathy of this horrendous attack in Israel and the butchers who massacred women and children in the name of a lie.

Commissioner Petersen: Attended the Michigan Association of Counties Conference in Kalamazoo - attended information sessions on Roads, Election Laws, networked with other Commissioners.

Commissioner Moyle: Welcome to the new Airport Manager. Grateful to Administrator Young for moving her office out there and stepping up to the plate.

Clerk Przewrocki: None.

Administrator Young: None.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

October 17th 5:15 p.m. Board meeting.
November 7th 5:00 p.m. Board meeting.
November 21st 5:15 p.m. Board meeting.

XV. NOTICES

30 day notice of appointments:

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Petersen to adjourn at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy J. Przewrocki, County Clerk

David Moyle, Board Chair