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DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
April 9, 2024

Escanaba, Michigan

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

April 4, 2024

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 April 9, 2024, 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, Viau, Barron, Moyle, and Petersen.

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.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

1. Commissioner Assignments to Parks and Recreation Commission.

Chair Moyle appointed Commissioners Petersen and Barron to the Parks and Recreation Commission. MOTION CARRIED.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Petersen to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2024. MOTION CARRIED.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to approve the agenda, as amended, under Special Orders of Business adding item 1. Commissioner Assignments to Parks and Recreation Commission (2), under Old Business adding item 2.

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Appointment to the Parks and Recreation Commission (Assign Term Expiration Dates), under New Business adding items 3. Michigan State University Extension Memorandum of Agreement FY24 and item 4. Soil Erosion Sedimentation Control Agent Consulting Services Agreement - Mattson. MOTION CARRIED.

VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A. Received: No communication were received.

B. Forwarded: No communications were forwarded.

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.

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

2. Personnel Committee minutes of 4-8-24.

Moved by Commissioner Petersen and seconded by Commissioner Viau to receive the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting of 4-8-24 and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Department Updates.

None.

XI. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP).

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded Commissioner Barron to direct the Administrator to send a letter to the Delta Soil Conservation District requesting a response from Board Chair Kaplan or the DSCD Manager regarding Commissioner Barron's question of discrimination in the handling of the County's request for MAEAP

2. Appointments to the Parks and Recreation Commission (Assign Term Expiration Dates).

Moved by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Viau to make District 1 one-year term, Districts 2 and 3 two-year terms and Districts 4 and 5 a three-year term to start and then three-year terms thereafter. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Update from the FAA.

The Enforcement Investigation Report #2023-GL-800091 that was prompted by the failure of the previous Airport Manager to provide the required documentation and records to the FAA, has been closed out with a Warning Letter, because the Airport is now in compliance. They will continue to work with the current management to maintain compliance with the regulation and appreciates the Airport's transparency and attitude towards compliance.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Petersen to release the Attorney-Client Privilege so the summary report and FAA email can be released to the public.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Petersen and seconded by Commissioner Barron to approve a policy to compel the Airport Manager to bring proof of federal compliance to the Board after the annual FAA inspection.

ROLL CALL	MALNAR	NO
	VIAU	NO
	BARRON	YES
	PETERSEN	YES
	MOYLE	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Barron and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to pay bills in the amount of \$ 1,202,364.59 and Commissioners expenses of \$ 0.

ROLL CALL	MALNAR	YES
	VIAU	YES
	BARRON	YES

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PETERSEN	YES
MOYLE	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Seasonal Positions for the Parks.

Moved by Commissioner Petersen and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to approve filling the seasonal positions of host, housekeeper, clerk and laborer, and approve the job descriptions, as recommended by the Personnel Committee. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) Memorandum of Agreement FY24.

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Viau to approve the funding request of \$51,000 for MSUE which includes a 4% increase.

ROLL CALL	MALNAR	YES
	VIAU	YES
	BARRON	NO
	PETERSON	NO
	MOYLE	NO

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to call the question.

ROLL CALL	MALNAR	YES
	VIAU	YES
	BARRON	NO
	PETERSEN	NO
	MOYLE	NO

MOTION FAILED.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to call the question.

ROLL CALL	MALNAR	YES
	VIAU	YES
	BARRON	NO
	PETERSEN	YES
	MOYLE	NO

MOTION CARRIED.

Recessed at 6:11 pm. Reconvened at 6:18 pm

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Moved by Commissioner Moyle and seconded by Commissioner Petersen to table to the next meeting and invite Paul Putnam to answer questions.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

4. Soil Erosion Sedimentation Control Agent Consulting Services Agreement - Mattson.

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Viau to expel the contract and let Jack Smith and the Road Commission handle the Soil and Erosion and Sedimentation Control.

ROLL CALL	MALNAR	YES
	VIAU	NO
	BARRON	NO
	PETERSON	NO
	MOYLE	NO

MOTION FAILED.

Moved by Commissioner Petersen and seconded by Commissioner Viau to approve the Soil Erosion Sedimentation Control Agent Award to Rory Mattson effective April 10th, as presented.

ROLL CALL	MALNAR	NO
	VIAU	YES
	BARRON	YES
	PETERSEN	YES
	MOYLE	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Whitney Maloney, Escanaba, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding Soil Conservation District questions, FOIA, Airport, 4-H, DEI.

Judy Adamini, Wells Township, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the recall and Emily DeSalvo.

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Lisa Wangrud read Emily DeSalvo's speech from February 2023.

Kali Kalishek read Emily DeSalvo's speech from February 2023.

Shirley Gollach, Escanaba, read Emily DeSalvo's speech from February 2023.

Clayton Harris, Baldwin Township, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding multiple homes brought to the county's attention not having building permits.

Andrea Nummilien, Maple Ridge Township, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding compliance.

Mike Segorski, Escanaba, Treasurer of the Delta Conservation District, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding inciting rhetoric.

Ann Fix, Escanaba, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding politics, crowd showing up.

Dana VanEffen, Escanaba, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the three candidates running in the Recall election.

Rory Mattson, Escanaba, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding here say regarding the Conservation District with the County.

Dave Adamini, Wells Township, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding trust and the truth.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Malnar: None.

Commissioner Viau: Make sure we get the letter from the FAA tomorrow morning, need to address the trailer issue. Misunderstanding with the Ethics Committee, same policy we have had since he came over the Board. Need to be a proactive Board rather than reactive. Thanked Clayton Harris for coming forward, oversight, consequences, building compliance enforcement, strategy to bring properties in compliance. There are important issues that need to be addressed. Can it be put on the agenda, or hold a meeting to address these issues, need a written policy or procedure. Thanks for the grant update.

Commissioner Barron: Umbridge with being a reactive and not a proactive Board. The Board has been proactive on the Airport

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issue, and others issues. The group is always attacking. Proactive in training the new Soil and Erosion person taking it over. County has moved forward even with all the attacks.

Commissioner Petersen: Clarified accusations that were made against him. Stated his platform of working middle class and upper middle class housing, improving infrastructure, keeping taxes as low as possible, attracting and keeping young people, doing what he can to protect people of Delta County from overreaching laws.

Commissioner Moyle: Will reschedule with Mr. Harris, apologizes daughter was ill. Interested in getting out of Zoning, would work with the 9 townships that we are currently zoning to help get up to speed. The Soil Conservation District paid Rory Mattson, not this Board. Fees were paid to the Conservation District for services they provided. Ethics Committee was never scuttled. Emily DeSalvo worked for the Board. Differences of opinion.

Administrator Ashleigh Young: Understands that we have a member of the public that is very upset with Building and Zoning. Jack Smith is doing a fantastic job. We always have current permits that are going through that are following the law and they are the priority. We fit in what past administrations have overlooked or that the homeowner failed to apply for. When brought aware of these issues, they are being fit into the schedule. The Building Inspector is not there to walk into a house and start fining, evicting, or demolishing their home. They are residents of Delta County and we want to work with them to get them into compliance. Might not be moving at the speed that Mr. Harris wants it to move in, but we are moving forward.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

May 7th 5:00 p.m. Board meeting.
May 21st 5:15 p.m. Board meeting.

XV. NOTICES

30 day notice of appointments: None.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Petersen and seconded by Commissioner Barron to adjourn at 7:52 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy J. Przewrocki, County Clerk

David Moyle, Board Chair