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**DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
May 21, 2024**

Escanaba, Michigan

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

May 2, 2024

The Honorable Members of the Delta
County Board of Commissioners

Dear Commissioners:

A Re-Organizational Meeting of the Delta County Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday May 21, 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, Croasdell, van Ginhoven, and Jensen.

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. Election of Chair.

County Clerk Przewrocki opened the nominations for Chairperson. Moved by Commissioner Viau to nominate Commissioner Malnar as Chairperson. There were no other nominations. MOTION CARRIED and Commissioner Malnar was elected Board Chair.

2. Election of Vice Chair.

Moved by Commissioner Jensen to nominate Commissioner van Ginhoven as Vice Chair. MOTION CARRIED and Commissioner van Ginhoven was elected Vice Chair. Commissioner Viau was opposed.

3. 2024 Board Assignments

Chair Malnar announced his Board assignments.

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V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2024 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Croasdell to approve the agenda, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None.

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS.

None.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Joe Kaplan, Ford River, Conservation District Chair, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding MAEAP letter to MDARD, suggested releasing the Forest Management Plans and MAEAP Plans to the public.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to receive the Administrator's Report and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Department Updates.

Nancy Przewrocki, County Clerk and Register of Deeds, gave the Board a brief update on the Register of Deed's office and the backloading project.

Steve Wery, Parks Manager, gave the Board an update on the Parks: Congratulated the new commissioners - he has an open door policy. He is working with Dana from the Health Department and Josh from EGLE. The 20 rustic sites are now modern - have electric but may not have water until he can get the water pressure on the 4th well up an additional 10 gallons per minute - working with Maintenance Director Cory Schroeder to make that happen. Wants the public to have involvement in the parks - their meetings are public.

XI. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP).

The letter of complaint was sent to MDARD on May 8, 2024. Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to contact MDARD that we are going in a different direction and to withdraw the confidentiality complaint. Motion Withdrawn.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Croasdell to withdraw the complaint. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to release the County MAEAP Management Plans. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Appointment to DATA (1 opening).

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to appoint Theresa Nelson to the Delta Area Transit Authority, as recommended by the Township Association. MOTION CARRIED.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Jensen and seconded by Commissioner Croasdell to pay bills in the amount of \$ 3,468,691.46 and Commissioners expenses of \$ 971.94.

ROLL CALL	VIAU	YES
	CROASDELL	YES
	JENSEN	YES
	VAN GINHOVEN	YES
	MALNAR	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Multi-County Materials Management Plan - Resolution and Interlocal Agreement.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to adopt the Multi-County Materials Management Resolution and approve the Interlocal Agreement, as presented. Ryan Carrig, CUPPAD, was present to answer questions.

ROLL CALL	VIAU	YES
	CROASDELL	YES
	JENSEN	YES
	VAN GINHOVEN	YES
	MALNAR	YES

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3. Resignation of S. Balkum, Request for Lump Sum Payout and to Fill Corrections Position.

Moved by Commissioner Croasdell and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to accept the resignation of S. Balkum, approve the lump sum payout, send a letter of appreciation, and to fill the corrections position. MOTION CARRIED.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Al Ettenhofer, Escanaba, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding he would like to continue working with the Parks Community Forest - he is ready to go.

John Myers, Wells Township, Delta County Board of Canvassers, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding removing one of the Canvassers from her appointment for not following her oath, he is concerned about November.

Nate Cheesebro, Escanaba, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding removing a Board of Canvasser for not performing her duty.

Sema Deeds, Escanaba, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding what a group of people had been doing during the meetings for the past months. Chaos came with the recall.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Viau: Gave his deepest gratitude to Commissioners Barron, Moyle and Petersen, was an honor serving with them, dedicated, many positive accomplishments, learning experience with each of them, best wishes - they have done much work in the county even with a lot of disruptions, social media - first recall of County Commissioners in Delta County history. Also talked about the possibility of plasma gasification at the landfill, cybersecurity, and quantum computers. He will continue his energy and focus on the issues, proud to work with the new commissioners.

Commissioner Croasdell: None.

Commissioner Jensen: Two pieces of legislation he will be watching - septic system and Open Meetings Act - 3 tier system.

Commissioner van Ginhoven: Thanked Administrator Young, Clerk Przewrocki and Brandon Couvillion - IT, for working to get them up and going, and the grounds crew for making the Courthouse grounds look good. The Farmers Market will open on Saturday June 1st.

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Commissioner Malnar: Would like to thank everybody, thanked the Commissioners for putting him in charge of being Chair.

Clerk Przewrocki: Thank you to Canvasser John Myers for his kind words and thank you to my staff for all the hard work they have put in for the election while getting their regular work done.

Administrator Ashleigh Young: Looking for volunteers for Friday May 24 to put flags on Veterans graves at the Fernwood Cemetery.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

June 4 th	5:00 p.m.	Board meeting.
June 20 th	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.

XV. NOTICES

30-day notice of appointments: Central Upper Peninsula Materials Management Planning Committee.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to adjourn at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy J. Przewrocki, County Clerk

John Malnar, Board Chair