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DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
September 3, 2024

Escanaba, Michigan

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

August 30, 2024

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 September 3, 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.

IV. SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

1. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2024-2025 BUDGET

Moved by Commissioner Jensen and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to open the Public Hearing at 5:17 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Judi Lacosse, Escanaba, addressed the Board asking if the Committee of the Whole meetings mentioned are similar to what the City of Escanaba does?

Christine Williams, Ford River Township, addressed the Board regarding reducing the budget by elimination of duplicated services.

Mary Harrington, Ford River Township, addressed the Board regarding looking at what other counties are doing to save cost costs in the budget.

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Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Viau to close the Public Hearing at 5:30 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Recognition of Michigan Association of County Clerks Award for Clerk of the Year to Nancy J. Przewrocki.

Clerk Przewrocki - Thank you for recognizing the Clerk of the Year award - it was quite a surprise and a very nice honor.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2024 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Jensen and seconded by Commissioner Croasdell to approve the agenda, as amended removing item 7. Opioid By-Laws. MOTION CARRIED.

VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A. Communications Received:

1. Letter from US Army Corps of Engineers.
2. Letter from DTE.
3. Letter from US Dept of the Interior.

B. Communications forwarded.

1. Letter to Nate Brockman.
2. Letter to Carmel Ceravolo.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to receive the Communications and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

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

1. Pinecrest Board minutes of 4-25-24, 5-30-24, & 8-1-24.
2. Human Services minutes of 6-27-24.
3. Airport Advisory Board minutes of 7-8-24 and 8-12-24.
3. Public Health minutes of 7-9-24.

VIII. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to receive the Reports of Standing, Statutory and Special Committees and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

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Cheryl Corbiere, Escanaba, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding Fuller Park.

Glenn Vande Water, Escanaba, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding OB Fuller Park.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.

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

2. Finance Committee minutes of 8-22-24.

Moved by Commissioner Croasdell and seconded by Commissioner Viau to receive the Finance minutes of 8-22-24 and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Personnel Committee minutes of 8-26-24.

Moved by Commissioner Jensen and seconded by Commissioner Viau to receive the Personnel Committee minutes of 8-26-24 and place on file.

4. Department Updates.

Steve Wery, Parks Manager, gave the Board an update. No EGLE permit is necessary for the Fuller Park project. He spoke to Jon Mayes - will not eliminate the current Day Use site. The project is for the campers and to extend the Day Use area for the public.

XI. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Croasdell to pay bills in the amount of \$1,577,066.68 and Commissioners expenses of \$ 2,865.70.

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

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2. FY25 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Agreement.

Administrator Young, presented the Emergency Management Performance Grant to the Board. Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Croasdell to approve the EMPG Agreement, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

3. FY25 County Veteran Service Fund Grant (CVSF).

Moved by Commissioner Jensen and seconded by Commissioner Viau to approve the County Veteran Service Fund Grant for FY25, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

4. 2024 Taxable Value Reports.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to receive the 2024 Taxable Value Reports and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Fuller Park - Pavilion and Picnic Area Development-Recommendation to Halt the Project.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to pause the Fuller Park Pavilion Project.

ROLL CALL	VIAU	NO
	CROASDELL	NO
	JENSEN	NO
	VAN GINHOVEN	YES
	MALNAR	NO

MOTION FAILED.

6. Out of County Travel - UPACC.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to approve out of county travel to Harris for the UP Association of County Commissioners Fall Conference on October 17 and 18, 2024. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Opioid Taskforce Bylaws.

Removed from agenda.

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8. Resignation of N. Nelson, Seasonal Parks.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to accept the resignation of N. Nelson and send a letter of appreciation. MOTION CARRIED.

9. Resignation of E. Blair, Seasonal Parks.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to accept the resignation of E. Blair and send a letter of appreciation. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Retirement of T. Lewis, Request for Lump Sum Payout.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Croasdell to approve the lump sum payout for T. Lewis upon his retirement and send a letter of appreciation for his years of service. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to take a 5 minute recess at 7:08 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to reconvene at 7:13 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

11. Closed Session - Collective Bargaining.

Moved by Commissioner Malnar and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to move into closed session at 7:14 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a collective bargaining agreement under OMI Section 15.268(8)(c).

ROLL CALL

VIAU	YES
CROASELL	YES
VANGINHOVEN	YES
JENSEN	YES
MALNAR	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Croasdell to reconvene into regular session at 7:38 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

No actions were taken during executive session.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to ratify the 3 year Road Patrol contract, as presented by Administrator Young. MOTION CARRIED.

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XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Christine Williams, Ford River Township, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the budget and Fuller Park.

Cheryl Corbiere, Escanaba, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding Fuller Park.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Croasdell: Congratulations to Nancy Przewrocki and her Clerk of the Year award. Thank you to Ashleigh Young, Matt Jensen and John Malnar on their hard work on the budget.

Commissioner Viau: O.B. Fuller Park - trust that everything will be done in accordance to the trust fund and will have full day use for the citizens. Pinecrest has to downsize to 85% capacity to receive Medicaid and Medicare funding. It has 62 residents and a 120-bed capacity. Delta County Historical Society Lighthouse is closed for the season but is willing to open for the Soo-Line event. Friday September 13 is Railroad day at the Steam and Gas Antique Village - open for free. Besse Forest Products closed - hope employees that were let go utilize Michigan Works! Opioid meeting this Friday. Nancy - good job. Fun fact.DNR pocket park is shaped like the U.P.

Commissioner van Ginhoven: None.

Commissioner Jensen: Field branding agreements for the Airport. Light at the end of the tunnel for the budget. One down, 4 more contracts to go - we will get there.

Commissioner Malnar: This was his first Emergency Management drill - amazing number of people involved from all different entities.

Administrator Young - Congratulated Clerk Przewrocki on her award.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

September 17 th	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.
October 1 st	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.
October 8 th	5:15 p.m.	Statutory Board meeting.
October 15 th	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.

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XV. NOTICES

30-day notice of appointments: DATA Board, Dept. of Human Services Board, Soldiers & Sailors Relief Commission (Probate Appt.), Building Authority, Airport Board, Construction and Zoning Board of Appeals, Land Bank, Parks and Recreation Commission, Planning Commission.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Viau and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to adjourn at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy J. Przewrocki, County Clerk

John Malnar, Board Chair