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DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
July 1, 2025

Escanaba, Michigan

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

June 26, 2025

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 1, 2025, 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, Williams, 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.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2025 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Jensen and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the agenda, as amended, adding Item 10. FOIA Appeal #25-109 under New Business. MOTION CARRIED.

VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED:

1. Letter from Army Corps of Engineers
2. Letter from CUPPAD
3. Resolution from Chippewa County

4. Resolution from Genesee County (2)
5. Resolution from Washtenaw County

B. COMMUNICATIONS FORWARDED:

1. Letter to Stephen Wery
2. Letter in Jennifer Plumley
3. Letter to Timothy Schaaf
4. Letter to Mamie Shalifoe
5. Letter to Michael Morrison
6. Letter to Tammy Wettuhn

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY COMMITTEES

1. Central Dispatch minutes of 6-13-24, 7-17-24, 1-15-24
2. Airport Advisory Board minutes of 1-13-25, 2-10-25, 3-10-25, 4-14-25
3. Human Services Board minutes of 2-27-25, 3-27-25
4. Public Health Board minutes of 5-13-25.

VIII. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

1. Superior Trade Zone minutes of 1-9-24.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to receive the communications and place on file.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Rory Mattson, Escanaba, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding the Drain Commissioner salary, unlimited expenses, mandatory meetings and non-mandatory meetings.

Robert W. Barron, Escanaba Township, addressed the Board with his concerns regarding the Drain Commissioner salary, UPCAP Resolution and Jonathan Mead.

Joseph Parrotta, addressed the Board via remote, regarding his FOIA Appeal.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.

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

2. Finance Committee minutes of 6-20-25.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Williams to receive the Finance Committee minutes of 6-20-25 and place on file. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Department Updates. None.

XI. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Drain Commissioner - Request Increase in Annual Salary.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to increase the Drain Commissioner annual salary to \$3,000, up to \$4,200 for travel and lodging and \$900 for dues, \$240 for Parks per diem. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Appointment to Central Upper Peninsula Materials Management Planning Committee.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to appoint Todd Kangas to the Central Upper Peninsula Materials Management Planning Committee. MOTION CARRIED.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner Williams to pay bills in the amount of \$ 1,440,892.35 and Commissioners expenses of \$ 0.

ROLL CALL	JOHNSON	YES
	WILLIAMS	YES
	VAN GINHOVEN	YES
	JENSEN	YES
	MALNAR	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Resolution - UP Area Agency on Aging (UPAAA) 2026 - Implementation Plan for Services to the Elderly.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to approve the Resolution for UP Area Agency on Aging (UPAAA) 2026 Implementation Plan for Services to the Elderly, as presented.

ROLL CALL	JOHNSON	YES
	WILLIAMS	YES
	VAN GINHOVEN	YES
	JENSEN	YES
	MALNAR	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

3. LOA - Probate Court - Juvenile Diversion Caseworker.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to approve the Letter of Agreement with Probate Court - Juvenile Diversion Caseworker, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

ROLL CALL	JOHNSON	YES
	WILLIAMS	YES
	VAN GINHOVEN	YES
	JENSEN	YES
	MALNAR	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

4. M. Hughes Transfer, Request to Fill Probation Officer Position.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to authorize filling Probate Probation Officer position, as presented. MOTION CARRIED

5. Resolution/Request for Support for Re-designation of United States Bicycle Route 10 and the Iron Bell Trail.

Moved by Commissioner Jensen and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to issue a Letter of Support for the Re-designation of the United States Bicycle Route 10 and the Iron Bell Trail, as presented.

ROLL CALL	JOHNSON	YES
	WILLIAMS	YES
	VAN GINHOVEN	YES
	JENSEN	YES
	MALNAR	YES

MOTION CARRIED.

6. Appointment of Emily DeSalvo effective 6-23-25.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Williams to appoint Administrator Emily DeSalvo to the Delta County Central Dispatch Authority, Superior Trade Zone - 2nd Alternate, the Superior Watershed Partnership - Liaison, the Remonumentation Grant Administrator, the MMRMA County's Member Representative and the County FOIA Coordinator, effective June 23, 2025, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Assignment to the Planning Commission - 1 Commissioner Removal.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to ratify the Chair's decision to appoint

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Commissioner Jensen and remove van Ginhoven from the Planning Commission, once the Delta County Township Association makes their appointment. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Dump Trailer.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to rescind the motion of 12-19-23 regarding the Dump Trailer. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to relinquish all rights to the dump trailer. MOTION CARRIED.

9. FOIA Appeal #25-120.

Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to uphold the denial based on the requested information can not be created. MOTION CARRIED. Commissioner van Gin Hoven opposed.

10. FOIA Appeal #25-109.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Williams to request a 10-day extension to collect data. MOTION CARRIED.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to direct the Administrator to contact MMRMA FOIA Specialist regarding FOIA Appeal #25-109. MOTION CARRIED.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Rory Mattson, Escanaba, addressed the Board with his concerns with the salary for the Drain Commissioner - a better plan. Would like the Parks and Planning Commission meetings moved the Service Center so that the meetings can be recorded and watched by the public.

Bob Barron, Escanaba Township, addressed the Board with his concerns with July 4th and read from the Declaration of Independence and the Bible.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Johnson: Happy 4th of July - Happy Independence Day. Looking forward to moving forward.

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Commissioner Williams: Guide published in the Daily Press - page 21 refers to Fuller Park as Fuller County Park, and it states that there is an entrance fee - which there is not.

Commissioner van Ginhoven: Opioid Taskforce RFP's are open for funds for the 2025-26. Congratulated Barbara Bellinger on her promotion - we will miss her. Happy 4th of July.

Commissioner Jensen: Roof repaired on the Ruth Butler building. Improved lighting at the Fairgrounds. Ongoing exercises for Fairground response. Non-motorized trail, rough estimate on how to get bicyclists from the Escanaba River Bridge to P Road. July 4th, we don't always agree, but we can all agree that we live in the greatest country. Happy Birthday America.

Commissioner Malnar: MAC legislative update and approved 5 committees, very productive. Happy 4th of July.

Administrator DeSalvo: Safe 4th of July to everyone and those first responders working the 4th of July weekend.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

July 15 th	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.
August 5 th	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.
August 19 th	5:15 p.m.	Board meeting.

XV. NOTICES

30 day notice of appointments: Opioid Taskforce and Planning Commission.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to adjourn at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy J. Przewrocki, County Clerk

John Malnar, Chair