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DELTA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
September 2, 2025

Escanaba, Michigan

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

August 28, 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 September 2, 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, Williams, van Ginhoven, and Johnson.

EXCUSED: Commissioner Jensen.

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

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2025-2026 BUDGET

Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to open the Public Hearing at 5:17 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

No Public Comment.

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

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2025 Special meeting and the August 19, 2025 meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

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VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

VII. PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED:

1. Letter from CUPPAD.
2. Letter from Federal Energy Regulatory Commission(2)
3. Resolution from Berrien County.
4. Letter from US Dept. of the Interior.
5. Letter from Fahey Schultz Burzy (Baldwin Township).
6. Letter from Fahey Schultz Burzy (Maple Ridge & Ewing Twps
7. Letter from Joseph Parrotta.

B. COMMUNICATIONS FORWARDED:

1. Letter to Caleb Sturtevant-Roesly.
2. Letter to Giselle Laurila.
3. Letter to Jill Johnson.
4. Letter to Terry Aicher.

VIII. REPORTS OF STANDING AND STATUTORY COMMITTEES

1. Pinecrest Board minutes of 1-23-25, 2-27-25, 3-27-25, 5-22-25
2. Opioid Taskforce minutes of 6-6-25, 7-11-25
3. Public Health minutes of 7-8-25

VIII. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHERS

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

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Dana Van Effen, Escanaba, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding Commissioner Malnar should be given presentations after attending MAC conferences.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Administrator's Report.

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

2. Department Updates. None.

XI. GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Appointment to Opioid Taskforce.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Williams to table. MOTION CARRIED.

2. FOIA Appeal #25-138.

Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to uphold the denial Appeal #25-138.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

3. FOIA Appeal #25-175.

Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to reverse Appeal #25-175.

ROLL CALL	JOHNSON	NO
	WILLIAMS	YES
	VAN GINHOVEN	YES
	JENSEN	ABSENT
	MALNAR	NO

MOTION FAILED.

4. FOIA Appeal #25-176.

Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to uphold the denial Appeal #25-176.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

5. FOIA Appeal #25-178.

Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to uphold the denial Appeal #25-178.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

6. FOIA Appeal #25-180.

Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to uphold the denial Appeal #25-180.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

7. FOIA Appeal #25-183.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Malnar to uphold the denial Appeal #25-183.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

8. FOIA Appeal #25-186.

Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to reverse the denial Appeal #25-186.

ROLL CALL	JOHNSON	NO
	WILLIAMS	YES
	VAN GINHOVEN	YES
	JENSEN	ABSENT
	MALNAR	NO

MOTION FAILED.

9. FOIA Appeal #25-188.

Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to uphold the denial Appeal #25-188.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Payment of Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to pay bills in the amount of \$436,496.18 and Commissioners expenses of \$ 393.50.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

2. 2025 Contract Amendment - Davis/Wanic Surveyors.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Williams to authorize the 2025 Contract Amendment with Davis/Wanic Surveyors, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Medical Examiner Services Agreement with Dickinson County.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the Medical Examiner Services Contract with Dickinson County, effective October 1st, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

4. MDNRTF - Contractor Agreement with Cross General Contracting for Fairgrounds Bathroom/Shower Facility.

Moved by Commissioner Williams and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to authorize the Michigan DNR Trust Fund Contractor Agreement with Cross General Contracting for the Fairgrounds Bathroom/Shower Facility, to start in the spring of 2026, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Retirement of J. Dix, Request for Lump Sum Payout and to Fill Probation Supervisor Position.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to accept the retirement of J. Dix, approve the request for lump sum payout, send a letter of appreciation and to fill Probation Supervisor position. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Out of County Travel - MAC Meeting - Malnar.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve out of county travel for Commissioner Malnar to attend a MAC meeting in Lansing on November 21st, as requested. MOTION CARRIED.

7. LOA-Teamsters Dispatch-401K Grandfathering for DeLany.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to authorize the Letter of Agreement with the Teamsters Dispatch grandfathering 401K for DeLany, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

8. LOA-Teamsters Dispatch-Full time/Part time Seniority.

Moved by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner van Ginhoven to authorize the Letter of Agreement with the Teamsters Dispatch regarding treatment of seniority for employees who transition from full-time or part-time employment, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

9. LOA-Teamsters Dispatch-Creation of Supervisor Position.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to authorize the Letter of Agreement with the Teamsters Dispatch creating new Dispatch Supervisor position, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Closed Session.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to move into closed session at 5:55 p.m. for the purpose of discussing written attorney memorandum under OMA Section 15.268(8)(h).

ROLL CALL	JOHNSON	YES
	WILLIAMS	YES
	VANGINHOVEN	YES
	JENSEN	ABSENT
	MALNAR	YES

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Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to reconvene into regular session at 6:24 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED.

No actions were taken during executive session.

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Williams to direct the Administrator to reach out to Scott Graham's office every two weeks reminding him that he has 60 days from August 7th to comply with our request.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

XIII. COMMISSIONERS CONCERNS

Commissioner Johnson: At the Pinecrest meeting, had some dignitaries look at the third floor to see about other services they can offer. It's promising, but nothing is moving forward yet.

Commissioner Williams: Wanted to let the public know that there is now a search function for meeting minutes on the County website. Great new feature for the public. Thank you IT Department.

Commissioner van Ginhoven: Attended monthly Solid Waste Authority meeting, Jeff Lampi and Jim McNeil were in attendance because they are having some issues with foul odor on the dump road. They are currently conducting a study that will take up to 18 months to complete to find where the odor is coming from and what is causing it and how to mitigate the odor. Trying to come up with some short-term solutions that they are hoping will work. Will be meeting with the Escanaba City Council to come up with some budgeting to address the issue. Also attended the Upper Peninsula Material Management Planning Committee meeting, thanked Ryan Carrig from CUPPAD for spearheading the entire future of recycling in the U.P. - long process. Attended the Escanaba City Council meeting. Potential condo investment and build and the sale of 6 city blocks on south 32nd street. Both items were put on hold.

Commissioner Jensen: None.

Commissioner Malnar: He and Administrator DeSalvo attended a meeting Baldwin Township regarding the taxes on solar panels in Maple Ridge and Baldwin Townships. Baldwin approved the certificate

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of exemption. \$700 per mega watt for 1000 mega watts equating \$700,000. Have to wait for Maple Ridge Township to make a decision.

County Clerk Przewrocki: None.

Administrator DeSalvo: None.

XIV. MEETING SCHEDULE

September 16th 5:15 p.m. Board meeting.
October 7th 5:15 p.m. Board meeting.
October 14th 5:15 p.m. Statutory Board meeting.
October 21st 5:15 p.m. Board meeting.

XV. NOTICES

30-day notice of appointments:

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner van Ginhoven and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to adjourn at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy J. Przewrocki, County Clerk

John Malnar, Chair