

**ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

April 13, 2009

Pursuant to recess, the Alger County Board of Commissioners convened in the conference room of the county building at 4:00 p.m. on the above date.

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Pullen with the following Commissioners present: Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Absent – none.

The Board of Commissioners said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public comment session was open. Joe Cilc was present to talk about a surgery he has to have. He asked the board permission to have his wife drive him around while recovering from surgery. There will be no cost to the county, but it is to be made known for insurance purposes, Joe will draft a letter for Commissioner Pullen to sign. Joe also said the board might be getting some heat from people regarding building materials and 11 buildings that collapsed in the winter. He said seven of them were basically new buildings and that it had to do with the trusses that were used. He is sending out a letter to the manufacturers and suppliers of the trusses. He also talked about getting all of the counties in the U.P. to be represented in an organization for the U.P. State Fair in Escanaba. The U.P. State Fair will no longer be funded by the state starting next year. There was no other public comment from the floor; thus, public comment was closed.

On a motion by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Lindstrom to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and supported by Commissioner Doucette to approve the minutes with corrections as presented. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

Pat Suboski was present to give the equalization report. On a motion by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Lindstrom to adopt the equalization report as follows:

Michigan Department of Treasury STC
608 (Rev. 3-02)

Personal and Real Property - TOTALS

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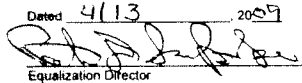
Alger County

Statement of acreage and valuation in the year 2009 made in accordance with Sections 209.1 - 209.8 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

Township or City	Number of Acres Assessed	Total Real Property Valuations		Personal Property Valuations		Total Real Plus Personal Property	
	(Col 1) Acres Hundredths	(Col 2) Assessed Valuation	(Col 3) Equalized Valuation	(Col 4) Assessed Valuation	(Col 5) Equalized Valuation	(Col 6) Assessed Valuation	(Col 7) Equalized Valuation
Au Train	90,944.00	87,423,500	87,423,500	1,810,900	1,810,900	89,234,400	89,234,400
Burt	147,840.00	70,999,100	70,999,100	869,450	869,450	71,868,550	71,868,550
Grand Island	14,336.00	5,265,400	5,265,400	253,300	253,300	5,518,700	5,518,700
Limestone	47,744.00	24,522,700	24,522,700	402,800	402,800	24,925,500	24,925,500
Mattias	45,440.00	29,468,090	29,468,090	578,900	578,900	30,046,990	30,046,990
Munising	129,664.00	89,177,500	89,177,500	6,306,400	6,306,400	95,483,900	95,483,900
Onota	56,320.00	56,522,550	56,522,550	348,200	348,200	56,870,750	56,870,750
Rock River	51,776.00	45,277,600	45,277,600	1,456,900	1,456,900	46,734,500	46,734,500
Munising	3,308.00	63,989,620	63,989,620	12,652,900	12,652,900	76,642,520	76,642,520
Totals for County	587,372.00	472,646,060	472,646,060	24,679,650	24,679,650	497,325,710	497,325,710

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ALGER COUNTY

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true statement of the number of acres of land, the value of the real property and of the personal property, the aggregate valuation of the real property and personal property, the equalized and assessed valuations of real property classifications in each township and city in said county as equalized by the Board of Commissioners in April of the reporting year, at a meeting of said board held in pursuant to the provisions of sections 209.1 - 209.8, MCL. I further certify that said statement does not embrace any property taxed under P.A. 77 of 1951, P.A. 68 of 1963, P.A. 199 of 1974, P.A. 385 of 1994, P.A. 224 of 1995, P.A. 147 of 1992 or Section 5 of Article IX of the Constitution of the State

Dated 4/13 2009

Equalization Director

Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

Chairperson of Board of Commissioners

Michigan Department of Treasury STC
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Equalized Valuations - REAL

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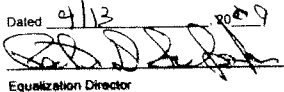
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Township or City	Real Property Equalized by County Board of Commissioners						Total Real Property
	(Col 1) Agricultural	(Col 2) Commercial	(Col 3) Industrial	(Col 4) Residential	(Col 5) Timber-Cutover	(Col 6) Developmental	
Au Train	140,400	4,342,600	401,000	82,529,500	0	0	87,423,500
Burt	0	3,299,300	0	67,699,800	0	0	70,999,100
Grand Island	0	1,429,600	0	3,835,800	0	0	5,265,400
Limestone	530,100	121,400	0	23,811,900	59,300	0	24,522,700
Mattias	3,862,900	673,700	0	24,931,400	0	0	29,468,090
Munising	0	8,832,100	6,493,200	73,852,200	0	0	89,177,500
Onota	0	1,374,950	0	55,147,600	0	0	56,522,550
Rock River	2,630,300	1,587,400	23,200	41,036,700	0	0	45,277,600
Munising	0	17,541,220	3,612,400	42,836,000	0	0	63,989,620
Total for County	7,163,700	39,202,270	10,529,800	415,690,990	59,300	0	472,646,060

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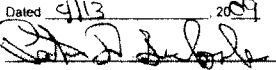
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Real Property Assessed Valuations Approved by Boards of Review							
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Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Doucette and seconded by Commissioner Mattson to allow the sheriff to raise the local surcharge of .18 to .42 per device to enhance the income for operations and approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION #09-05

TO ADOPT MONTHLY 9-1-1 SURCHARGES WITHIN ALGER COUNTY

WHEREAS, under the Public Act 379 of 2008, the Alger County Board of Commissioners approved the final 9-1-1 service plan on June 14, 1993 to benefit the citizens of Alger County by providing a uniform and well known emergency telephone number; and

WHEREAS, the Alger County Board of Commissioners continues to believe that the 911 service will benefit the citizens of Alger County; and

WHEREAS, Public Act 379 of 2008 allows for the creation of a county-based local 9-1-1 surcharge on all communications service providers that can access 9-1-1 and provides for the collection, disbursement, use, and audit of said funds; and

WHEREAS, Alger County has deemed that a monthly county-based surcharge of \$.42 be placed on all communications service providers as allowed under Public Act 379 of 2008 is necessary to defray the costs of being ready to process and of actually processing 9-1-1 calls placed within Alger County; and

WHEREAS, Public Act 379 of 2008 states than an estimated amount of anticipated annual revenue shall not exceed the amount necessary and reasonable to implement, maintain, and operate the 911 system in the County of Alger; and

FURTHER, that pursuant to Public Act 379 of 2008, the Alger County Board of Commissioners has modified the 9-1-1 Plan on April 13, 2009 to reflect the changes in 9-1-1 surcharges collected by Alger County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Alger County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the county-based 9-1-1 surcharge on communications devices as permitted under P.A. 379 of 2008.

The request, by statute, has to be in by May 15th. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

On a motion by Commissioner Lindstrom and seconded by Commissioner Mattson to authorize the sheriff to hire Health Professionals, LTD to provide health care for inmates for liability reasons under Option 1A as recommended by the Committee of the Whole in the amount of \$26,996.88. There will still be ER, dental, and prescription costs. See the following:



October 30, 2008

Sergeant David Latvala
Alger County Sheriff's Office
State of Michigan
101 E. Varnum Street
Munising, Michigan 49862-1125

Dear Sergeant Latvala,

Thank you again for your continuing interest Health Professionals, Ltd (HPL) providing inmate healthcare services in the Alger County Jail. Jim Gawne has relayed your request to review an alternate proposal that eliminates medical supplies and medical waste removal.

I have attached that Option, listed as 1A and included it amongst the original options for the sake of easy reference. If you would like to see additional options and/ or service levels just call. Again, thank you for your interest in HPL.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Jack T. Hartwig
Marketing Director



Please make us aware if we can provide any other options for your review.

OPTION 1:

- 2 hours per month of Physician services
- 6 hours per week of Licensed Practical Nursing services
- Malpractice Insurance
- Staff Training – Medical
- Mental Health crisis intervention training for all Correctional Officers
- Medical Supplies
- Medical Waste
- Dental – Oral Screening only

Cost: \$29,398.96 ADP = 18 PerDiem: \$0.18

OPTION 1A:

- 2 hours per month of Physician services
- 6 hours per week of Licensed Practical Nursing services
- Malpractice Insurance
- Staff Training – Medical
- Mental Health crisis intervention training for all Correctional Officers
- Dental – Oral Screening only

Cost: \$26,996.88 ADP = 18 PerDiem: N/A

OPTION 2:

- 2 hours per month of Physician services
- 8 hours per week of Licensed Practical Nursing services
- Malpractice Insurance
- Staff Training – Medical
- Mental Health crisis intervention training for all Correctional Officers
- Pharmacy – Medical only with annual aggregate CAP of \$1200 on HIV, Hep C and Biologicals
- Medical Supplies

- Medical Waste
- Dental – Oral Screening only

Cost: \$38,237.33 ADP = 18 PerDiem: \$0.89

This pricing proposal is valid for 90 days.

Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none.
Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Doucette to authorize additional training in the amount of \$436.63 for the medical examiner. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

On a motion by Commissioner Lindstrom and seconded by Commissioner Mattson to reappoint Doug Miron on the Jury Board with his term expiring April 30, 2015. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Doucette to approve the following amendments to the board policy as follows:

ADDENDUM
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EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

1. There will be a one week time span for replacement of lost checks
2. Vacation shall be used in the year it is earned
3. The Building and Grounds Committee shall consist of at least one (1) Commissioner from either District 2 or 3, and one (1) other as appointed by the Chairperson to make a two member committee.
4. Recurring board bills may be paid prior to board approval at the audit meeting in order to avoid interest and/or penalties.
5. In the event of multi-county employees, there may always be a contact with all counties involved. This contract will involve all aspects of employment, including retirement benefits and longevity and must be updated every two years.
6. Pay checks may be picked up from the delivery boxes in the Clerk's office after 11:30 a.m. on pay day. Department Heads will be notified if there is a delay.

Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

Jerry Doucette gave a brief presentation on the county website. Each page will be \$100 per year for each department and the page can be as long as you want. Each department can design their own web page and work with the company. It was also discussed about the county using a company that allows departments to use credit cards. This website is not intended to eliminate jobs, but is intended to make their jobs easier. On a motion by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Doucette to authorize the starting of the Alger County web page. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

There was discussion on old business for new grant forms from the Sault Ste Marie Tribe of Indians.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Lindstrom to authorize payment of board bills as presented by the audit committee. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

On a motion by Commissioner Lindstrom and seconded by Commissioner Doucette to accept the financial reports as presented by the treasurer. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Lindstrom and seconded by Commissioner Mattson to authorize the treasurer to transfer \$2,769.19 from Wireless 265 fund into the 911 central dispatch 264 fund. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

On a motion by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Lindstrom to authorize the treasurer to transfer \$18,757.76 from the termination allowance into the reimbursement account in the general fund for expenditure shortages for 2008 business. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and supported by Commissioner Doucette to amend the 2008 expenditures as follows:

COUNTY OF ALGER

Mary Ann Froberg
County Clerk & Register of Deeds
101 Court Street, PO Box 538
Munising, Michigan 49862
(906) 387-7036
Fax: (906) 387-2156

Alison S. Thoma
Patricia R. LaCombe
Chief Deputies

Paula R. Mannisto
Deputy

April 9, 2009

Please increase the budgets in the amount of \$18,757.76 for the following expenditures:

- *Circuit Court in the amount of \$1,540.47
- *District Court in the amount of \$342.66
- *Friend of the Court in the amount of \$132.96
- *Probate Court in the amount of \$600.40
- *County Clerk/ROD in the amount of \$481.21
- *Equalization Dept in the amount of \$116.81
- *Prosecuting Attorney in the amount of \$238.98
- *County Treasurer in the amount of \$197.57
- *Building and Grounds in the amount of \$2,911.93
- *Postage Account in the amount of \$303.90
- *Sheriff's Dept in the amount of \$574.54
- *Computers in the amount of \$54.31
- *Jail Dept in the amount of \$1,851.49
- *Animal Shelter in the amount of \$446.92
- *Medical Examiner in the amount of \$640.00
- *Community Mental Health in the amount of \$8,305.00
- *Veterans Affairs in the amount of \$18.61

Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

On a motion by Commissioner Doucette and seconded by Commissioner Lindstrom to authorize the treasurer to transfer \$951.07 from the reimbursement account into the family counselor trust and agency account for December 31, 2008 business. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Doucette and seconded by Commissioner Mattson to accept the ALLTEL bid for the use of county cell phones for county employees that need them with using 6,000 minutes total. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

On a motion by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Lindstrom to accept the bid of Computer Associates of Marquette for wireless access to the county building using Cisco 1200 Wireless in the amount of \$3,165 and installation at \$65 per hour. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Lindstrom and seconded by Commissioner Doucette to accept the bid of Computer Associates of Marquette in the amount \$3,131 for new computers and software for the clerk's office and the commissioner's office. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

Commissioner Lindstrom discussed meeting with the LMAS health department in Munising for the elimination of home health care in Alger, Schoolcraft, Delta and Menominee counties. He said Northwoods would be taking care of the home health.

Commissioner Pullen talked about the airport liability insurance with Alliant in California and our own Michigan Municipal Risk Management Association (MMRMA) company with U.P. Insurance Specialists in Ishpeming. On a motion by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Lindstrom to authorize Commissioner Pullen to use her own discretion about which insurance company to use. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

Commissioner Doucette was asking the board for their approval of a letter addressing the AuTrain River situation to the Governor and Lt. Governor requesting their support with the AuTrain River. It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Lindstrom authorizing Commissioner Doucette to send his letter. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

On a motion by Commissioner Lindstrom and seconded by Commissioner Mattson to authorize the Chair to sign an amendment to the Manatron contract deleting the treasurer's office from the equalization contract. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

The county clerk read correspondence which will be placed on file.

Commissioner Pullen read correspondence.

Public comment session was open. William Quarfoot was present and said he will be filing a criminal complaint on the Prosecuting Attorney. Commissioner Doucette asked about the \$5 fee that the drug court was supposed to receive. The treasurer said she will check on it. There was no other public comment; thus, the public comment session was closed.

It was moved by Commissioner Lindstrom, supported by Commissioner Mattson to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and Pullen. Nays – none. Absent – none.

Catherine A. Pullen, Chairwoman
Alger County Board of Commissioners

Mary Ann Froberg
Alger County Clerk