

**ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

October 6, 2010

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Pursuant to recess, the Alger County Board of Commissioners convened in the conference room of the county building at 3:15 p.m. on the above date.

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

The board of commissioners said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public comment session was open. There was no public comment from the floor; thus, public comment was closed.

It was the consensus of the board to look at the minutes and make a motion at Monday's regular board meeting.

The agenda was presented.

Jim Isleib and Jim Lucas from MSU Extension were present to talk about the MSU millage. Jim Lucas said they would like it to continue the millage at .25 mill and that they are planning on going for the millage in May 2011.

Terry McLaren discussed the foster care program and said that it depends on what placement the youth is in. He said Alger County will still get \$3.50 out of a \$7.00 charge from state reimbursement.

The county jail reimbursement program was discussed. Under the sheriff's recommendation, the county should take option B. The county has not received any money under option A. It was the consensus of the board to approve option B.

Commissioner VanLandschoot reported that Dick Bowerman said he would be the new airport manager.

The sheriff's compensation pay was next of the agenda. Commissioner Pullen read a letter from Karen Bahrman. Commissioner Pullen said that the new sheriff will have to agree to a reduction to the present wages.

There was no old business to discuss.

There were no appropriations.

It was the consensus of the Board to approve payment of all of the board bills as recommended by the audit committee. Commissioner Pullen had some questions, but all were answered.

It was the consensus of the board to approve the financial reports for all funds. A full 30-page report is available upon request with the treasurer.

It was the consensus of the board to approve the following transfers:

\$3,500 from the building department fund into the general fund – rent.

\$3,400 from remonumentation grant to general fund transfer in remonumentation admin.

\$4,500 from the foreclosure fund to general fund – postage account.

\$5,000 from the foreclosure fund to the general fund transfer in foreclosure fund – clerical.

\$2,000 from the homestead property tax audit fund to the general fund – transfer in homestead property tax.

\$49,098.80 from wireless 911 to the general fund – transfer in wireless 911.

\$15,307.91 from the ambulance fund to the general fund – transfer in ambulance.

It was the consensus of the board to amend the revenues in the transfer in summer tax collection (101-000-444.200) in the amount of \$1,365.26.

It was the consensus of the board to amend the expenditures in the treasurer's budget in the amount of \$1,365.26

It was the consensus of the board to amend the revenues in transfer in foreclosure fund (101-000-446.000) in the amount of \$9,892.94.

It was the consensus of the board to amend the expenditures in the treasurer's budget in the amount of \$9,892.94.

It was the consensus of the board to amend the revenues in the federal park patrol budget in the amount of \$4,003.

It was the consensus of the board to amend the expenditures in the federal park patrol budget in the amount of \$4,003.

It was the consensus of the board to amend the revenues in reimbursements in the amount of \$6,172.63.

It was the consensus of the board to amend the expenditures in the motor pool budget in the amount of \$6,172.63.

There was discussion on paying the GMBPCD dba Alger County Chamber of Commerce dues in the amount of \$310. The consensus of the board is to postpone paying the dues.

There were no resolutions.

Committee reports were next. Commissioner Pullen said that she and Esley attended the three-county meeting and that she will submit a written report. Commissioner Doucette said that he attended an energy summit this morning. He talked about the new Chevy Volt car.

The 2010 budgets were discussed and that almost 84% of the revenues are in. Expenses were then discussed and that some of the budgets will be over. Commissioner Pullen made a statement for everyone to work together on the 2011 budget. There is to be a Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled October 12, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. to talk with Judge Luoma. Terry McLaren said that probate child care is going to need an extra \$20,000 this year and that next year the cost is said to be around \$100,000 to \$200,000.

Correspondence was read, discussed, and will be placed in the file. Commissioner Pullen also read some new correspondence that she had.

Board comments were next. Commissioner Mattson said he was talking to a commissioner from Mackinac County whom is a retired sheriff. He said that he thought that Sheriff Cromell was number one with his years and thanked him for his service.

Public comment session was open. There was no public comment; thus, the public comment session was closed.

This meeting is now adjourned.

Catherine A. Pullen, Chairwoman
Alger County Board of Commissioners

Mary Ann Froberg
Alger County Clerk