

**ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

**August 19, 2009**

Pursuant to recess, the Alger County Board of Commissioners convened in the conference room of the county building at 8:00 p.m. on the above date.

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

The Board of Commissioners said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public comment session was open. Commissioner VanLandschoot discussed correspondence regarding reducing the funds for aging. There was no other public comment from the floor; thus, the public comment session was closed.

It was moved by Commissioner Lindstrom and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to add a Resolution for a museum of the Old North Lighthouse as item 5a on the agenda. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ó Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, VanLandschoot, and Pullen. Nays ó none. Absent ó none.

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

It was moved by Commissioner VanLandschoot and seconded by Commissioner Doucette to authorize the following Resolution for the Old North Lighthouse:

**RESOLUTION #2009-23**

The County of Alger hereby resolves that it supports the establishment of a self-sustaining endowed museum open to the public in the Old North Lighthouse on Grand Island.

The County of Alger further supports the proposed land exchange between Loren and Pat Graham and the United States Forest Service that is necessary to establish private ownership of the land (1.44 acres) that the Old North Lighthouse is built upon.

This Resolution is based upon the letter written by Loren and Pat Graham dated July 24, 2009 and statements made therein.

Dated: August 19, 2009

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Catherine A. Pullen, Chair  
Alger County Board of Commissioners

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

There was discussion on Alger County proposing an operating millage to the people of Alger County. It was discussed that there needs to be an example to what people could be spending at a millage renewal of 6.15 mills to what the County is asking for at 5.0781 mills. The Clerk is to talk to Pat Suboski about this and a decision will be made at a Special Board meeting on Saturday, August 22, 2009 at 8:00 a.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to approve \$500 to Elizabeth Coyne of the Alger Conservation District contingent upon receiving the grant for which the training is needed. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ó Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, VanLandschoot, and Pullen. Nays ó none. Absent ó none.

It was moved by Commissioner VanLandschoot and seconded by Commissioner Doucette to amend the revenues in the PILT account in the amount of \$14,000. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ó Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, VanLandschoot, and Pullen. Nays ó none. Absent ó none.

On a motion by Commissioner Mattson, seconded by Commissioner Lindstrom to amend the expenditures in the Circuit Court budget in the amount of \$13,000 (\$12,000 in the Reimbursement for payroll line item and \$1,000 to the Witness Mileage line item). Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ó Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, VanLandschoot, and Pullen. Nays ó none. Absent ó none.

It was moved by Commissioner Lindstrom and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to amend the expenditures in the Advertising budget in the amount of \$1,000. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ó Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, VanLandschoot, and Pullen. Nays ó none. Absent ó none.

Public comment session was open. Commissioner VanLandschoot discussed a meeting he attended for a wildfire protection plan for Lost Lake and Powell Lake residence. There is to be another meeting scheduled. Commissioner Doucette discussed a meeting he attended at the Alger County Correctional Facility. Commissioner Lindstrom discussed the MAC (Michigan Association of Counties) summer conference that he attended at Boyne Mountain Lodge. There was no other public comment; thus, the public comment session was closed.

On a motion by Commissioner Lindstrom, seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ó Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, VanLandschoot, and Pullen. Nays ó none. Absent ó none.

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Catherine A. Pullen, Chairwoman  
Alger County Board of Commissioners

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Mary Ann Froberg  
Alger County Clerk