ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

November 24, 2010

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

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Mattson with the following Commissioners present: Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, Mattson, and VanLandschoot. Absent ï Commissioner Pullen.

The Board of Commissioners said the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

It was moved by Commissioner VanLandschoot and seconded by Commissioner Doucette to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ï Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, VanLandschoot, and Mattson. Nays ï none. Absent ï Commissioner Pullen.

The 2011 budgets were discussed. Revenues were gone through and $1,000 was added in current tax collection. $60,000 was added in the administrative collection fee. It was discussed that with a 3% raise the difference was $336,810.08. With a 1.5% raise the difference was $303,693.56. The new insurance was discussed. With the new plan there was an approximate cost savings of $86,000, which would bring the deficit to $250,810. It was discussed that with a pay freeze, there would be a $66,233.04 savings.

The Treasurer subtracted $500 from her supplies.

The Clerk added $1,000 in the revenues for pistol permits.

The commissioners stayed the same.

The board had a sign-up sheet with departments to discuss their 2011 budget. First was Glenn Marshall, the Veterans Officer. He subtracted $250 from his per diems and $50 from his mileage.

The board then went over various miscellaneous departments. $1,000 was subtracted from the duplicating account.

The Prosecutor was next. She subtracted $250 from witness mileage.

Revenues were then looked at and $3,000 was subtracted from the CFR account.

The Sheriff was next. In his revenues $3,000 was added to transfer in ambulance; $36,000 was added to transfer in wireless 911; and $3,000 was added to county inmate. In expenses $2,000 was added to the jail in training and education. In the sheriff department $500 was subtracted in equipment repairs and $200 was subtracted in miscellaneous. The motor pool budget stayed the same. $2,300 was subtracted in the snowmobile budget. The marine budget, the park patrol budget, and the secondary road patrol budget stayed the same. The emergency management budget added $6,244.

Pat Suboski was next. There was no change in the equalization department.

Next was building and grounds. $750 was subtracted from equipment repair and $4,000 was subtracted from professional services.

On a motion by Commissioner VanLandschoot and seconded by Commissioner Lindstrom to break and have lunch. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ï Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, VanLandschoot, and Mattson. Nays ï none. Absent ï Commissioner Pullen.

It was moved by Commissioner VanLandschoot and seconded by Commissioner Lindstrom to reconvene. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ï Commissioners Doucette, Lindstrom, VanLandschoot, and Mattson. Nays ï none. Absent ï Commissioner Pullen.

District Court was next. $3,000 was added to district court costs, $200 was subtracted in jury mileage, $300 was subtracted in witness mileage, $300 was subtracted from mileage/lodging/bridge, and $500 was subtracted from jury fees.

Circuit Court was next. $5,000 was subtracted from attorney fees, $100 from subtracted from supplies, $2,000 was subtracted from jury fees, $1,000 was subtracted from witness fees, $400 was subtracted from jury mileage, $500 was subtracted from appellate fees, and $524 was subtracted from mileage.

The medical examiners budget was gone through. $100 was subtracted from mileage and $200 was subtracted from lodging.

$1,000 in the heat was subtracted from the animal shelters budget.

In the airport budget $200 was subtracted from maintenance, $100 was subtracted from gas/oil, and $100 was subtracted from supplies.

In discussion after meetings with the department heads there is still a deficit of $127,497.04.

Commissioner Pullen arrived at 3:00 p.m.

Board comments and were next. Commissioner Pullen talked about a meeting that was held with City Commissioner Tom Dolaski, County Commissioner Cathy Pullen, and County Clerk Mary Ann Froberg. Tom said that the City has sold the city hall building. He said that the City has looked at over 14 different sites to place City Hall. He asked on the thought of putting City Hall and Alger County in the same building. Commissioner Pullen said she told Tom that she would go more in depth about it at the Committee of the Whole meeting and she would like to involve the Sheriff.

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

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

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Catherine A. Pullen, Chairwoman	Mary Ann Froberg
Alger County Board of Commissioners	Alger County Clerk