

**ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

March 16, 2015

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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 Chairman Doucette with the following Commissioners present: Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Absent ó none.

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.

There were no minutes available.

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

It was moved by Commissioner VanLandschoot and seconded by Commissioner Pullen to approve the following 2015 Committee List:

2015 COMMITTEE LIST

AIRPORT

*Cathy Pullen, Mickey Rondeau

ALGER COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING

*Cathy Pullen, Mickey Rondeau

ALGER COUNTY FAIR BOARD

*Mickey Rondeau

Alternate: Jerry Doucette

ALGER-SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTIES SUB-JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

*Jerry Doucette, Esley Mattson

ALTRAN

*Cathy Pullen

Alternate: Mickey Rondeau

AMBULANCE, LAW ENFORCEMENT, EMERGENCY SERVICES/911/HAZ. WASTE, COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

*Jerry Doucette, Esley Mattson, Bob Hughes

Alternate: Cathy Pullen

AMCAB**

*Joseph VanLandschoot

AUDIT COMMITTEE

*Alternating, Mary Ann Froberg

BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

*Esley Mattson, Jerry Doucette, Pam Johnson, and Mary Ann Froberg

BUDGET

*Esley Mattson, Cathy Pullen, Mary Ann Froberg, Pam Johnson

Alternate: Jerry Doucette

BUILDING & GROUNDS

*Esley Mattson, Jerry Doucette, Mary Ann Froberg (See Addendum 406 of the Board Policy)

BUILDING CODES

*Mickey Rondeau, Cathy Pullen

COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

*Jerry Doucette

COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION (HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES & PARKS)

*Mickey Rondeau

Alternate: Jerry Doucette

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (DHS)

*Joseph VanLandschoot

EXTENSION, CONSERVATION, WATERSHED STEERING, RECREATION, RESOURCE & DEVELOPMENT

*Mickey Rondeau

Board bills were discussed. Commissioner Mattson said that he received a response from Judge Nebel regarding a reimbursement from June 2014 expenses. He said that Judge Nebel wrote that when he was going through expenses for his personal taxes is when he realized that he did not turn in his expenses to be reimbursed and that he has no good reason for the delay. Another board bill was discussed. There were no receipts for a sheriff's department employee. It was discussed that they are to hold off on paying this. It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to approve payment of all of the board bills as recommended by the audit committee and the committee of the whole, except for the one bill to the sheriff's department employee. It was also discussed that from now on if board bills are older than six months, it will not be paid. It was discussed that this should probably be two motions instead of one. It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to amend the motion to pay the board bills as presented, except for the one bill to the sheriff's department employee. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ó Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot and Doucette. Nays ó none. Absent ó none.

There was much discussion on paying old board bills. It was moved by Commissioner VanLandschoot and seconded by Commissioner Pullen that any bills older than six months will not be paid. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ó Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot and Doucette. Nays ó none. Absent ó none.

It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner Mattson to approve the financial reports for all funds. A full 30-page report is available upon request with the treasurer. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ó Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot and Doucette. Nays ó none. Absent ó none.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to authorize the treasurer to transfer the revenue received in 2015 for 2014 back into the 2014 budget as follows:

JOURNAL ENTRY			TV	
			12/31/2014	
REMARKS	TRANSFER REVENUE RECEIVED IN 2015 BACK TO 2014 BUDGET (PER MARCH 16, 2015 BOARD)			
			DEBIT	CREDIT
12/31/2014	101-000-040-000	ACCTS RECEIVABLE	\$25,395.14	
	101-000-403-000	Current Tax Collection		\$7,435.14
	101-000-403-010	Current Tax Coll. Interest		\$242.03
	101-000-502-000	FOC Co-Op		\$16,803.87
	101-000-576-000	Diversion Officer		\$914.10

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

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to authorize the treasurer to transfer \$12,253.85 from the general fund debt elimination budget into Fund #276 Michigan Drug Court Grant Program.

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

It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner Rondeau to authorize the clerk to transfer the following between the 2014 budgets:

- *Transfer \$5.50 from the Circuit Court budget into the Friend of the Court budget
- *Transfer \$16.50 from the Circuit Court budget into the Prosecuting Attorney budget
- *Transfer \$596.57 from the Jail budget into the Building & Grounds budget
- *Transfer \$9,666 from the Jail budget into the Substance Abuse budget

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

There were no miscellaneous financial matters.

There were no resolutions.

Committee reports were next. Commissioner Rondeau discussed meeting with Benishek and that it went very well. He said that the Forest Service is behind the airport land exchange. Commissioner VanLandschoot discussed AMCAB (Alger Marquette Community Action Board) and handed out a Housing Services AMCAB Board Report to the commissioners.

Correspondence was briefly read from the Department of Corrections for the commissioners to attend their Community Liaison Committee meeting and introducing Steven McDonald, Officer of the Year at Alger Correctional Facility; from the Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division's Pending New Source Review Application Report; and from the Department of Natural Resources to request for comment on Land Use Order of the Director (LUOD) rule change for portion of Marquette to Munising Junction Trail located on state owned land in Alger and Marquette Counties. It was discussed that the clerk will have to do a resolution for the officer of the year. These will be placed in the board file.

Board comments were next. Commissioner Rondeau discussed getting a meeting with Stacy Welling Haughey from the DNR (Department of Natural Resources) to get the land around the Forest Lake Basin to go back to the DNR and to continue the goose refuge. There was discussion on selling the property around the Forest Lake Basin. Commissioner Doucette said that he will talk with Stacy on this. Commissioner Doucette said that they signed the Memorandum of Agreement for the Sheriff's Union for the temporary employees. He discussed revenue sharing and that some of the younger senators said that they should be taking away the revenue sharing for this year and throwing it on for road repairs. He discussed DHS (Department of Human Services) leaving the county buildings in the state. He asked Rita Hale in the audience about this. She said that they have not heard very much. She said that she did hear that the state is looking into five counties in the Upper Peninsula that are targeted to cut their losses including Marquette and Schoolcraft counties. It was said that it would cost a lot less money if they moved to the old Central School. Commissioner Doucette also discussed starting with the jail renovations and that they will be bringing some of the sheriff offices into the courthouse for the time being and that they might have to ask some of the people to vacate their offices and move their offices. He said to be aware that this is happening and that it is only fair to give them time to move. He said that if they had any questions or comments to get ahold of him.

Staff comments were next. The sheriff said that they signed an agreement with GM (General Motors) this morning. He said that they will be reimbursing some of the monies for the chassis. He said that Tina did a great job and also complimented Toni from the Munising News regarding her article in the paper.

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

It was moved by Commissioner Rondeau and seconded by Commissioner Pullen to adjourn this meeting at 4:42 p.m. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes ó Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot and Doucette. Nays ó none. Absent ó none.

Jerry Doucette, Chairman
Alger County Board of Commissioners

Mary Ann Froberg
Alger County Clerk