

**ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING**

May 21, 2018

Minutes are subject to corrections and approval

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 – none.

The board of commissioners said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public comment session was open. Ken Ohman from North Country Disposal submitted a proposal for waste removal and recycling. There was no further public comment; thus, the public comment session was closed.

Commissioner Pullen would like to amend the agenda to add Resolution #2018-08 Support for Cormorant Control Act as item 7. It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to approve the consent agenda which includes the following items:

Authorize to purchase the BS&A program for the Building Department in the amount of \$37,475.00

Cost Summary

Application and Annual Service Fee prices based on an approximate SEV of 482.5 million. Software is licensed for use only by municipality identified on the cover page. If used for additional entities or agencies, please contact BS&A for appropriate pricing.

Prices subject to change if the actual count is significantly different than the estimated count.

Applications

Building Department .NET	\$11,800
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Data Conversions/Database Setup

Convert existing Custom Program data to BS&A format. Conversion prices provided for estimation purposes only. Firm pricing, as well as scope of data conversion to be determined upon a review of data provided.

Building Department (per database)	\$10,030
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Project Management and Implementation Planning

Services include:

- Analyzing customer processes to ensure all critical components are addressed.
- Creating and managing the project schedule in accordance with the customer's existing processes and needs.
- Planning and scheduling training around any planned process changes included in the project plan.
- Modifying the project schedule as needed to accommodate any changes to the scope and requirements of the project that are discovered.
- Providing a central contact between the customer's project leaders, developers, trainers, IT staff, conversion staff, and other resources required throughout the transition period.
- Installing the software and providing IT consultation for network, server, and workstation configuration and requirements.
- Reviewing and addressing the specifications for needed customizations to meet customer needs (when applicable).

\$4,000

Implementation and Training

- \$1,000/day
- Days quoted are estimates; you are billed for actual days used

Services include:

- Setting up users and user security rights for each application
- Performing final process and procedure review
- Configuring custom settings in each application to fit the needs of the customer
- Setting up application integration and workflow methods
- Onsite verification of converted data for balancing and auditing purposes
- Training and Go-Live

Software Setup	Days: 1	\$1,000
Building Department .NET	Days: 7	\$7,000
	Total: 8	Subtotal \$8,000

Cost Totals

Not including Annual Service Fees

Applications	\$11,800
Data Conversions	\$10,030
Project Management and Implementation Planning	\$4,000
Implementation and Training	\$8,000

Total Proposed **\$33,830**

Travel Expenses \$3,645

Payment Schedule

1st Payment: **\$14,030** to be invoiced upon execution of this agreement.

2nd Payment: **\$11,800** to be invoiced at start of training.

3rd Payment: **\$11,645** to be invoiced upon completion of training.

Annual Service Fees

Unlimited service and support during your first year with the program are included in your purchase price. Thereafter, Service Fees are billed annually. BS&A Software reserves the right to increase the Annual Service Fee by no more than the yearly Consumers Price Index (CPI).

Building Department .NET \$2,360

- Approve ALTRAN millage language;
- Approve renewing a three-year subscription for the jail program in the amount of \$795.00;
- A payment of the airport insurance in the amount of \$2,599.00;
- Affirm airport liability coverage declination page;
- Affirm renting a porta potty for the airport;
- Affirm by-passing the bidding process and approve the bid for the electrical at the airport with Alger County Electric in the amount of \$1,411.00;
- Affirm authorizing Guardian Pest Solutions for pest solutions for the courthouse, jail, and ambulance garage in the amount of \$1,311.00;
- Authorize the purchase of a floor machine for Building & Grounds in the amount of \$2,600.00;

QTY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	LINE TOTAL
1ea	Windsor SC17 17" Floor Machine		\$2600.00
2ea	New 12 volt batteries		
1st	New Skirt		
1st	New squeegee blades		
1ea	New Drain Hose		
1ea	New Vac Hose		

- Authorize the Register and Chief Deputy Register to attend the PRIA Conference in August in Rhode Island in the approximate amount of \$3,000;
- Reappoint Kathy Reynolds, Andy Reickert, and JoAnn Carlson to the Alger County Brownfield Authority for a three-year term ending 12/31/2020;
- Authorize payment to NorthCare Network for their substance abuse appropriation in the amount of \$4,206.00 (101-631-969.000);
- Authorize payment of board bills;
- Approve Financial Reports for all funds (Trial Balance Report Available);
- Authorize the treasurer to amend revenues in reimbursements in the amount of \$183,013.33 (\$70,263.33 security construction project & \$112,750.00 for employee fringe benefits);
- Authorize the treasurer to amend revenues in transfer in ambulance in the amount of \$6,000.00;
- Authorize the treasurer to amend revenues in transfer in foreclosure in the amount of \$43,108.33;
- Authorize the clerk to amend expenditures in general fund capital improvements in the amount of \$119,371.66;
- Authorize the clerk to amend expenditures in general fund employee fringe benefits in the amount of \$112.750;
- Authorize the clerk to transfer from the jail budget into the general fund capital improvements budget the amount of \$17,290;

Authorize the clerk to transfer from the building & grounds budget into the general fund capital improvements budget the amount of \$2,628.34;

Authorize the clerk to transfer \$139,290 from the general fund capital improvements budget to Fund #404 Capital Improvements;

Authorize the clerk to transfer \$6,865.94 from the general fund secondary road patrol for investigations (101-333) into Fund #206 Snowmobile;

Approve Resolution#2018-07 911 Surcharge;

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to approve the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of April 9, 2018 and the Board of Commissioners meeting minutes of April 16, 2018. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner Rondeau to approve Resolution #2018-08 Supports the Cormorant Control Act:

WHEREAS, State and Federal natural resource agencies tracked migratory bird populations in the Great Lakes area beginning in the 1900's and annual bird counts documented that the number of Double-crested cormorants (cormorants) appeared to have peaked in the 1940s, with about 6,000 birds. By the mid-1970's there was concern over the decline of most migratory birds in the Great Lakes region due to the effects of contamination (I.e., DDT), and cormorant numbers were estimated to be less than 100 birds; and

WHEREAS, Cormorants migrate from the Gulf of Mexico to the Great Lakes region for the breeding season, spending approximately 150 days along the coastal island areas such as provided by Saginaw Bay. The diet of cormorants is almost exclusively fish and they depend on their surrounding waters to sustain both the breeding adults and their young once they hatch. An adult cormorant will eat 1.3 pounds of fish each day;

WHEREAS, throughout the 1980-1990's protections were afforded to migratory birds and their numbers began to increase, persistent chemicals were banned, and extensive environmental clean-up projects were undertaken. During this same period, state, federal and tribal fisheries managers instituted extensive fish stocking programs to restore a better balance to the Great Lakes food web; and

WHEREAS, today the Great Lakes supports several important fisheries including commercial, recreational, and tribal, which are collectively valued at more than \$7 billion annually and support more than 75,000 jobs. Yellow perch in particular is a key staple of the cormorant diet but also the centerpiece of Michigan's recreational fishery, Friday dinner fish fry's and an important economic draw; and

WHEREAS, Resource managers in the Great Lakes now estimate that cormorant numbers have peaked at about 115,000 breeding pair and at these numbers their fish consumption is estimated 77 million pounds each year. In conjunction, there has also been a drastic decline in yellow perch harvest from a high of 375,000 fish to just 695 fish by the year 2000. Bait shops, fishing resorts, and fishing related service Industries declined or closed in some communities by up to 40%; and

WHEREAS, in 1998 and again in 2003, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service developed orders to allow for state level management of cormorant populations for the benefit of fish, and when implemented, the numbers of yellow perch and other game fish rebounded. However, the orders were rescinded in 2016 by the U.S. District Court until the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service can reissue an Environmental Assessment to show the effect of the orders allowing lethal control on cormorant populations. In Saginaw Bay the effect of two years without any cormorant control was easily seen last summer when the sky was blackened by high numbers of the distinctive birds flying over the horizon in miles and miles of lines of cormorants; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has gone on record in support of U.S. House Bill 4429 for reinstating effective cormorant management, applied in the same collaboratively way that we use to protect our other natural resources, to support our important Great Lakes fisheries valued at more than \$7 billion annually and more than 75,00 jobs.

THEREFORE, be it that the Alger County Board of Commissioners hereby supports the "Cormorant Control Act" House Bill 4429 directing the reissuance of a rule relating to extension of the expiration dates for double-crested cormorant depredation orders.

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

There was no unfinished business.

There were no miscellaneous financial matters.

Committee reports were next. Commissioner Rondeau updated the board on airport matters and the Veterans Museum. Commissioner Pullen updated the board on the animal shelter and additional airport matters. There was some discussion regarding the airport.

Correspondence was briefly read from Michigan Association of Counties and Michigan Association of Family Court Administrators.

Board comments were next. Commissioner Doucette discussed legislative issues. Commissioner Rondeau discussed highway speed limits throughout the U.P.

Staff comments were next.

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

It was moved by Commissioner Rondeau and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to adjourn this meeting at 5:42 p.m. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

Jerry Doucette, Chairman
Alger County Board of Commissioners

Mary Ann Froberg
Alger County Clerk