

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

September 10, 2018

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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, Rondeau, VanLandschoot and Doucette. Absent – Commissioner Pullen.

The board of commissioners said the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

The agenda was accepted as presented.

Sue Buitenhuis was present to discuss the 2017 Alger County audit.

Financial Highlights

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded the liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at December 31, 2017 by \$358,132 (net position).
- At December 31, 2017, the County's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$1,660,637 of which \$213,491 was unassigned.
- At December 31, 2017, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$213,491, or approximately 5% of the general fund's annualized expenditures.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to authorize the clerk and administrator to advertise for the Defense Attorney position for MIDC. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – Commissioner Pullen.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Rondeau to authorize signing Engagement Letter and Statement of Work with Mercer for retirees' insurance. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – Commissioner Pullen.

It was moved by Commissioner Rondeau and seconded by Commissioner Mattson to authorize the sheriff to have the sheriff department building eaves painted in the amount of \$1,730. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – Commissioner Pullen.

It was moved by Commissioner Rondeau and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to authorize wi-fi points in ambulance garage and part of county building in the amount of \$900. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – Commissioner Pullen.

It was moved by Commissioner Rondeau and seconded by Commissioner Mattson to authorize up to five employees to attend the U.P. Association of County Commissioners fall conference October 18 & 19. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – Commissioner Pullen.

It was the consensus of the board to reimburse \$2,091.59 to Fund #215 Friend of the Court from general fund for 2017 monies that are owed. This item will be added to the consent agenda.

It was the consensus of the board to reimburse monies owed to Schoolcraft County for the Probate Judge's salary. This item will be added to the consent agenda.

It was the consensus of the board to authorize going out on bids for a concrete slab and 320 square feet of sand for the 16'X 20' airport building. This item will be added to the consent agenda.

Cost saving ideas / revenue sources

There was no unfinished Business

There were no appropriations

It was the consensus of the board to approve payment of all board bills as recommended by the Audit Committee. This item will be added to the consent agenda.

It was the consensus of the board to approve Financial Reports for all funds (Trial Balance Report Available). This item will be added to the consent agenda.

It was the consensus of the board to authorize the clerk to transfer \$56.77 from general fund secondary road patrol 101-333 to Fund #206 Snowmobile. This item will be added to the consent agenda.

It was the consensus of the board to authorize treasurer to transfer \$20,000 from Transfer in Foreclosure to general fund Land Bank and to reaffirm transfer from general fund to Fund #792 Land Bank. This item will be added to the consent agenda.

There were no miscellaneous financial matters.

It was the consensus of the board to approve Resolution #2018-14 Support the Development of an Additional Lock. This item will be added to the consent agenda.

It was the consensus of the board to approve Resolution #2018-15 Signing for Airport Exchange. This item will be added to the consent agenda.

Committee reports were next. Commissioner VanLandschoot attended an LMAS meeting and there were concerns regarding changes to the septic code. Commissioners Rondeau and Mattson discussed costs associated with the airport. Commissioner Doucette attended an UPWARD reorganizational meeting.

Correspondence was briefly read from DEQ.

Board comments were next. Commissioner Doucette discussed MAC President Steve Currie will be in Munising on September 24, 2018 at 9:00 am. Commissioner Doucette resigned from the State Commission on Services to the Aging. Commissioner Doucette gave legislative updates. Commissioner Rondeau would to support Beau LaFave regarding No Fault Insurance. Commissioner Rondeau has concerns about highway speed limits. Commissioner Doucette commented on Senate legislation regarding county road speed limit increases.

Staff comments were next. Laurie Pine commented that Bryan Hill moved the directory to the main lobby and the first floor hallway was painted.

Public comment session was open. Septic code changes were briefly discussed. There was no public comment from the floor; thus, the public comment session was closed.

The Chairman adjourned this meeting at 5:22 p.m.

Jerry Doucette, Chairman
Alger County Board of Commissioners

Mary Ann Froberg
Alger County Clerk