

**ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**January 4, 2017**

**Minutes are subject to corrections and approval**

The organizational meeting of 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 the County Clerk Mary Ann Froberg with the following Commissioners present: District 1 – Commissioner Pullen; District 2 – Commissioner VanLandschoot; District 3 – Commissioner Mattson; and District 4 – Commissioner Doucette, and District 5 – Commissioner Rondeau.

The Board of Commissioners said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mary Ann Froberg, the County Clerk, opened up the floor to nominations for Chairman. Commissioner Pullen nominated Jerry Doucette as Chairman for a two-year term. There were no other nominations. It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner Mattson to close nominations and that a unanimous ballot be cast to appoint Commissioner Doucette as Chairman for a two-year term. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

Commissioner Doucette, Chairman opened the floor to nominations for Vice-Chairperson. Commissioner VanLandschoot nominated Esley Mattson as Vice-Chair. There were no other nominations from the floor. It was moved by Commissioner Rondeau and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to close nominations and a unanimous ballot be cast for Esley Mattson as Vice-Chairman for the year 2017. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

On a motion by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to approve the following commissioner's salaries:

Chairman - \$2,700; Vice-Chairman - \$2,507; Commissioners (3 members) - \$2,254

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

On a motion by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Pullen to retain the per diems at \$35 per board meeting. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

On a motion by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Rondeau to hold the Committee of the Whole meetings at 4:00 p.m. on the following dates:

**2017 Committee of the Whole meeting dates will be held at 4:00 p.m. in the  
Alger County Building Conference Room on the following dates:**

January 9, 2017  
February 13, 2017  
March 13, 2017  
April 10, 2017  
May 8, 2017  
June 12, 2017  
July 10, 2017  
August 14, 2017  
September 11, 2017  
October 10, 2017  
November 13, 2017  
December 11, 2017

And to hold the regular Board of Commissioner's meeting dates at 4:00 p.m. as follows:

**2017 Board of Commissioners meeting dates will be held at 4:00 p.m. in the  
Alger County Building Conference Room on the following dates:**

- January 17, 2017
- February 21, 2017
- March 20, 2017
- April 17, 2017
- May 15, 2017
- June 19, 2017
- July 17, 2017
- August 21, 2017
- September 18, 2017
- October 16, 2017
- November 20, 2017
- December 18, 2017

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

On a motion by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot that the mileage rate is to be the same as the current IRS rate of .53½ cents per mile. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

On a motion by Commissioner VanLandschoot and seconded by Commissioner Pullen to keep the costs of the meals the same at \$10 for breakfast, \$15 for lunch, and \$20 for dinner with a maximum amount of \$45 per day; or with the amount not to exceed \$45 per day if at a conference. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

There were board comments. Commissioner Doucette said that this year he would like to get some different business cards, which he had a sample of. He would also like to start using I.D. cards. He discussed his goals for the county this year. Commissioner Mattson said that he is happy with everything that has happened this last year. Commissioner Pullen discussed in the future to try having all of the elected officials (being county commissioners and elected officials) being sworn in at the same time. There was discussion that there is a regional government meeting February 22, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall.

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

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Jerry Doucette, Chairman  
Alger County Board of Commissioners

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Mary Ann Froberg  
Alger County Clerk