

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

June 11, 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, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot and Doucette. Absent – none.

The board of commissioners said the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

It was the consensus of the board to accept the agenda as presented.

There was some discussion regarding the North Country Disposal quote for Recycling & Waste Removal Services. There was consensus of the board to approve services for North Country recycling and waste removal for the Courthouse and waste removal for the Animal Shelter.

It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner Rondeau to approve materials in the amount of \$541.15 and equipment rental in the amount of \$136 for Animal Shelter repairs (101-421-931.000) provided legal requirements for contracted labor is met. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none. This item will be reaffirmed at the next board meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Pullen to authorize purchase of vehicle for Building Department in the approximate amount of \$28,000. Monies to come from DTR and repaid over 48 months starting 2019 through 2022 (249-000-801.050). Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none. This item will be reaffirmed at the next board meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Rondeau and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to appoint Dan Rushford to Brownfield Authority to replace Terry Grout. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none. This item will be reaffirmed at the next board meeting.

It was the consensus of board to advertise request for proposals for IT Services. This item will be added to the consent agenda.

There was some discussion regarding a three-year Agreement for Michigan Centralized Birth Certification System in the amount of \$1,000 per year. This item will be postponed until the next Regular Board meeting for further discussion.

There was some discussion regarding attendance to MAC Conference. Steve Webber and Commissioners Doucette and Pullen are interested in attending.

There was some discussion regarding an invoice for dock space at Bayshore Marina and rescues.

It was the consensus of board to authorize purchase of new shower heads for the jail (Indigent Fund #595). This item will be added to the consent agenda.

It was the consensus of board to authorize purchase of a sofa & recliner for EMS in the amount of \$1,400 (Ambulance Fund #210). This item will be added to the consent agenda.

Purchase of 7' x 12' trailer in the approximate amount of \$1,700 will be postponed until the next Regular Board meeting.

The board discussed a Lean-To for trailers and would like to see this item researched.

The eaves at the jail need repairs or painting. Undersheriff Blank is researching available monies for aesthetic upgrades.

The implementation of a \$500 flat fee for negligent or careless rescues was discussed. Further legal advice is needed from the Alger County Prosecutor and the Michigan Sheriff's Association is needed. This item will be postponed pending further research.

Demolition of the airport building and the use of Brownfield monies will be researched by Pamela Johnson.

Commissioner Doucette discussed opposition to State of Michigan's proposed assessing legislation. Commissioner Mattson noted that relationships with the townships could possibly be strengthened.

Commissioner Mattson had previously mentioned working with the townships to provide assessing services as a revenue source.

There was no unfinished business.

It was the consensus of the board to authorize payment to LMAS for their quarterly appropriation for April – June 2018 in the amount of \$20,049 (101-601-969.000). This item will be added to the consent agenda.

It was the consensus of the board to authorize payment to Northcare Network for their substance abuse appropriation in the amount of \$4,206 (101-631-969.000). This item will be added to the consent agenda.

It was the consensus of the board to authorize payment of 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 treasurer to transfer \$28,000 from DTR Fund to Building Department Fund for purchase of a vehicle. This item will be added to the consent agenda.

It was the consensus of the board to authorize the clerk to transfer \$48.22 from the District Court budget in to the Community Corrections budget. This item will be added to the consent agenda.

There were no miscellaneous financial matters.

There were no resolutions.

Committee reports were next. Commissioner Pullen will speak with Joe Cilc regarding the Animal Shelter maintenance. Commissioner Pullen discussed eco-tourism; removal of an extrication vehicle at the airport; and legislative updates addressed at the recent MAC conference. Commissioner Rondeau explained the electrical meter is now installed at the airport. Commissioner Doucette explained current proposed legislation.

Correspondence was briefly read from MMRMA; Senator Stabenow; MACMHB; and Cohl, Stoker & Toskey, P.C.

Commissioner Rondeau commented on marijuana laws. Commissioner Rondeau would like to see the airport building demolished.

Public comment session was open. Recycling and negligent fees were discussed. Matt Morgan will be at Bayshore Park for a meet and greet. There was no public comment from the floor; thus, the public comment session was closed.

The Chairman adjourned this meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Jerry Doucette, Chairman
Alger County Board of Commissioners

Mary Ann Froberg
Alger County Clerk