

**ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING**

**March 18, 2019**

**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. There was no public comment; thus, the public comment was closed.

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

Approve appointment of Megan Webber and Sheila Peters to the Alger County Land Bank Authority.

Accept John Hocko and Penny Ray’s resignation from the Library Board and to authorize to advertise.

Approve payment of board bills;

Approve Financial Reports for all funds (Trial Balance Report Available);

Authorize the clerk to transfer between the 2018 budgets:

- \*\$205.40 from Public Safety / Rescue 21 budget into the Probate Court budget
- \*\$516.16 from Public Safety / Rescue 21 budget into the County Juvenile Officer budget
- \*\$591.31 from Elections budget into the County Clerk budget
- \*\$.01 from the Public Safety / Rescue 21 budget into the County Treasurer budget

Authorize the clerk to amend the 2018 general fund secondary road patrol budget in the amount of \$3,400;

Authorize the treasurer to amend the miscellaneous revenues in the 2018 general fund in the amount of \$3,400;

Authorize the treasurer to transfer \$3,400 from 2018 general fund Secondary Road Patrol into the 2018 Fund #260 Sheriff Secondary Road Patrol;

Authorize the treasurer to transfer 2018 revenues received in 2019 back into 2018 revenues in the amount of \$62,000:

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<b><u>ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE</u></b>		
101-000040000	\$62,000.00	
101-000403000 Current Tax		\$5,524.41
101-000403010 Current Tax Interest		\$265.97
101-000403050 County Property Tax Adm		\$39.99
101-000477000 Dog License		\$0.00
101-000502000 Friend of the Court		\$22,012.96
101-000503000 P.A. ADC		\$5,601.94
101-000504000 P.A. Crime Victim Rights		\$8,046.00
101-000544000 P.A. Atty Fees - State Inmate		\$0.00
101-000567000 Diverted Felons		\$4,180.00
101-000571000 Convention Facility Tax		\$0.00
101-000573000 Court Equity Fund Distrib		\$0.00
101-000576000 Diversion Officer		\$0.00
101-000577000 County Juv. Officer		\$0.00
101-000616000 Sheriff		\$0.00
101-000612000 Treasurer		\$0.00
101-000614000 ROD		\$0.00
101-000615000 Real Estate Transfer Tax		\$0.00
101-000628000 Remonumentation Adm. Fee		\$0.00
101-000645000 County Inmate Room & Board		\$15,377.54
101-000664000 Interest on Investments		\$0.00
101-000668000 Rent		\$0.00
<u>101-000676000 Reimbursement</u>		\$951.19

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

It was moved by Commissioner VanLandschoot and seconded by Commissioner Mattson to approve the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of February 11, 2019. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Rondeau and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to approve Special Board meeting minutes of February 18, 2019. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

Commissioner Pullen noted that the motion to approve the Juvenile Officer's hours and pay should specify the Board's intent for the position to be part-time. It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner VanLandschoot to approve the Board of Commissioners meeting minutes of February 19, 2019 as amended. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

Nick DeRusha was present to give the 2018 Annual LMAS Health Department Report. Commissioner Rondeau asked if LMAS has addressed the opioid crisis. Nick explained there is possible Regional Harm Reduction funding for a needle exchange.

Glenn Marshall submitted a letter of resignation to the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Marshall explained that the required knowledge base and training for a veteran's affairs officer is quite extensive. It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner Rondeau to authorize the Veteran's Committee to draft an advertisement with the County Administrator for a new veteran's officer. 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 Mattson to approve the 3-year bid from Maximus. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Mattson and seconded by Commissioner Pullen to authorize a 5-year contract with Thompson Reuters for Patron Access to the Law Library. 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 the Grant Agreement with the State of Michigan, Michigan Department of State and Alger County for Qualified Voter File's Electronic Poll Book (EPB) Laptop & Accessories Purchase. 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.

It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner Rondeau to approve Resolution #2019-03 Support for the Creation of the Committee of Michigan Mining Future with the addition of language added by the Alger County Resolutions Committee:

WHEREAS, the mining industry is a vital economic contributor, not just for Upper Peninsula and Marquette County, but for the State of Michigan, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of Marquette County and the State of Michigan to strengthen and develop sustainable mining practices for the future, and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of House Bill 4227 to create a Committee on Michigan's Mining Future to ensure a comprehensive plan focused on ferrous, non-ferrous, and aggregate mining industry needs such as infrastructure, transportation, energy, applied research, environmental quality, government policies, taxation, rural development, mining legacy cleanup funds, and communications and public outreach, and

WHEREAS, the proposed committee would be comprised of fifteen members with governor-appointed representatives from diverse areas of industry, state departments, environmental groups, tribal members and labor groups to meet the challenges and take advantage of opportunities for the future.

WHEREAS, that the County of Alger Board of Commissioners supports HB4227 IF provision is made to include at least one representative from each county where a mine is to be geographically located.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Alger Board of Commissioners supports House Bill 4227 in the interest of strengthening and developing the future of Michigan mining practices, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this resolution will be forwarded to all counties in Michigan, the Upper Peninsula Commission for Area Progress, the Michigan Townships Association, and the Michigan Association of Counties, Upper Peninsula legislators, and Governor Whitmer.

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

Committee reports were next. Commissioner Pullen and Steve Webber met with Daniel Aklufi regarding an item of minor concern with the Airport land swap language. Commissioner Pullen has an Animal Shelter meeting tomorrow. Commissioner Rondeau explained the Veteran’s Office has and will require a great deal of work. Commissioner Doucette explained he has been elected President of UPCAP.

Correspondence was briefly read from UPCAP; DHHS; DEQ; Representative Jack Bergman.

Board comments were next. Commissioner VanLandschoot’s meetings are at the end of the month. Commissioner Rondeau spoke with the treasurer’s office regarding Veteran’s Trust Fund monies available from the State. Steve Webber explained the Veteran’s Office has many moving parts, and will be an ongoing issue. Commissioner Pullen noted that the Sheriff’s Department Report did not mention negligent rescue fees and questioned the process.

Staff comments were next. Steve Webber updated the board regarding recent building & grounds issues.

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 Mattson to adjourn this meeting at 5:30 p.m. 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