

**ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING**

May 18, 2020

Approved June 15, 2020

Pursuant to recess, the Alger County Board of Commissioners convened virtually via Gotomeeting at 1:30 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. The necessity of Resolution #2020-05 Disagreement with EO 2020-42 was discussed. Consideration for the elderly and health care professional should be taken. A letter in support of the purchase of a cellphone for the victim's advocate was read. There was no further public comment; thus, the public comment was closed.

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

Affirm Chuck Cardinal's payout of \$12,316.17 – Monies to come from the ambulance budget;

Affirm the sheriff to hire a full-time replacement for Chuck Cardinal's position;

Affirm payment of \$108,500 to Alerus Financial (OPEB Trust) for retiree health funding vehicle (Monies to come from OPEB payments in employee fringe benefits 101-862-724.100);

Amend MERS Health Care Savings Program Participation Agreement;

Authorize to get bids for the airport logging;

Approve payment of all Board Bills;

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

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 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of March 9, 2020. 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 Board of Commissioners meeting minutes of April 27, 2020. 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 victim's advocate in the prosecutor's office to purchase a cellphone. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – Commissioner Rondeau. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner Mattson to approve a new county server in the amount of \$36,491.94 (\$10,000 coming from the Foreclosure Fund and \$13,245 to come from 911 and \$13,246.94 to be borrowed from the DTR and paid back next year by 911). 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 Rondeau to approve Alger County's COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Mattson, Pullen, Rondeau, VanLandschoot, and Doucette. Nays – none. Absent – none.

There were no miscellaneous financial matters.

It was moved by Commissioner Pullen and seconded by Commissioner Rondeau to rescind Resolution #2020-05 Disagreement with EO 2020-42. 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 Pullen to approve **Resolution #2020-06 Continuation of Enacted 911 Surcharge of .42** with no change:

WHEREAS, the Alger County Board of Commissioners held the authority under 2007 PA 164, which amended Michigan's Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act, being MCL 484.1101 *et seq.*, as amended ("9-1-1 Act") to set a default county 9-1-1 surcharge cap ("default surcharge cap") on all communications devices of residents within the county under Section 401 e(1) and (2) of the 9-1-1 Act, being MCL §484.1401e(1) and (2) provided the Board acted before February 15, 2008 and the Michigan Public Service Commission ("MPSC") approved the rate set; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Alger County Board of Commissioners authorizes the continuation of its local commission enacted 911 surcharge of .42 with no change in the amount from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

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

Correspondence was briefly read.

Commissioner VanLandschoot noted that next week's Committee of the Whole meeting will move back to 4:00 p.m. Commissioner Rondeau stated that opening the courthouse is a move in the right direction. Commissioner Pullen said there will be an airport meeting on May 20th and thanked everyone for their patience and attendance.

Sheriff Brock explained that the Administrator has been working closely with the Sheriff's Department; the virus is not political; no positive cases amongst inmates or employees.

Prosecuting Attorney Robert Steinhoff thanked the board for its leadership with the Preparedness Plan and noted that we all must remain vigilant.

Administrator Steve Webber thanked everyone for working together; Charles Bouth is preparing a document concerning work with Sgt. Peters.

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 3:10 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