

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**  
**MEETING AMENDED AGENDA HELD BY VIRTUAL MEETING**  
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**May 10, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.**

1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Brief public comment
5. Agenda
6. Minutes
7. Authorize an RFP for a building at the airport for the sheriff's department storage
  - A. Establish a policy to authorize any storage at the airport
8. Authorize the Medical Examiner Contract Revision
9. Authorize the Burt Township Road Patrol Contract
10. Discuss a request from CN Railroad
11. Cost saving ideas / revenue sources
12. Unfinished Business
  - A. Discuss replanting trees and windbreak at airport
13. Financial Matters
  - A. Appropriations
    - a. Authorize payment to NorthCare for their substance abuse appropriation in the amount of \$8,536
  - B. Board Bills
  - C. Approve Financial Reports for all funds (Trial Balance Report Available)
  - D. Amend revenues in the Donations in the amount of \$1,014.35 (101-000-415.200)
  - E. Amend expenditures in the Sheriff's Dept K-9 supplies in the amount of \$1,014.35 (101-301-727.060)
  - F. Miscellaneous
14. Resolutions
15. Committee Reports
16. Administrator's Report
17. Correspondence
18. Board Comments
19. Staff Comments
20. Brief Public Comment
21. Adjourn

**(PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO TWO (2) MINUTES PER PERSON PER BOARD POLICY)**  
**(PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND STEP UP TO THE MICROPHONE)**

# ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Mary Ann Froberg, Clerk  
101 COURT STREET, MUNISING, MI 49862

## **Professional Agreement between: Chelsea Ray, MD, & Alger County Medical Examiner Services**

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This Agreement made and effective this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2020, by and between Chelsea Ray, MD, and Alger County Board of Commissioners will be for the purpose of establishing a system for Chelsea Ray, MD, to provide Medical Examiner Services to Alger County.

In accordance with ACT 181 of 1953, County Medical Examiners:

- (1) The board of commissioners of each county of this state shall by resolution abolish the office of coroner and appoint a county medical examiner to hold office for a period of 4 years. If the office of county medical examiner becomes vacant before the expiration of the term of office, the board of commissioners may appoint a successor to complete the term of office. In counties with a civil service system, the appointment and tenure of the medical examiner shall be made in accordance with the provisions of that civil service system.
- (2) County medical examiners shall be physicians licensed to practice within this state or, if the county does not have an accredited hospital, licensed in another state that borders the county.
- (3) Two or more counties, by resolution of the respective boards of commissioners, may enter into an agreement to employ the same person to act as medical examiner for all of the counties.

### **ME Responsibilities**

- The Alger County Medical Examiner's Office serves the residents of Alger County by issuing permits and death certificates, approving cremations, and conducting medical investigations on all unexplained deaths throughout the entire Alger County area.
- MEs work closely with the funeral homes, physician offices, hospitals, EMS, and local law enforcement agencies to get a complete record of information on each individual that goes through the ME Office.
- The Medical Examiner will be immediately available to investigate any sudden, violent, unexpected or suspicious deaths that occur in Alger County, and to perform any and all statutorily prescribed duties set forth in MCL 52.201, et seq., regardless of whether specifically listed herein.

**ALGER COUNTY Responsibilities**

Fees: In consideration for services, Alger County shall pay Chelsea Ray, MD \$12,000 annually. Payments of \$1000 will be due no later than 15 days following the end of the month. These fees shall include any and all actual and necessary travel and other expenses authorized under MCL 52.201e incurred by the Medical Examiner in the performance of his duties.

**INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

The Medical Examiner shall be an independent contractor and shall not be deemed an employee of Alger County for any purpose.

**AMENDMENT**

This Agreement may be modified or amended by mutual assent of the parties hereto, and such modifications will be attached to and become a part of this Agreement.

**TERMINATION**

This Agreement commences with an effective date of June 01, 2020 for a period of four (4) years, expiring on May 31, 2024, unless terminated sooner by any party. This Agreement is in effect with Chelsea Ray, MD, and will not transfer responsibility should Chelsea Ray, MD, cease practice in Alger County.

This Agreement between Alger County and Chelsea Ray, MD, can be terminated at any time, with or without cause, given 60 days written notice by either party. Provided, however, that a hearing shall first be conducted as required under MCL 52.201f if it is claimed that the Medical Examiner has failed to properly discharge the duties of his office.

\_\_\_\_\_  
By: Chelsea Ray, MD  
Its: Physician

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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By: Steve Webber  
Its: County Representative  
Title: County Administrator

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

CFT

# RECEIPT

Number: 59269  
Cashier: JTAYLOR



Alger County Treasurer  
Pam Johnson  
101 Court St.  
Munising, MI. 49862  
(906) 387-4535

Date: 04/30/21  
Received Of: STATE OF MICHIGAN  
Amount: \$17072.00

## CONVENTION FACILITY TAX JAN-MAR 2021

CODE	DESCRIPTION	GL CREDIT	TENDER	CHECK #	AMOUNT
CONVFAC	CONVENTION FACILITY TAX	101-000-571.000			17,072.00

EFT

TOTAL PAID: \$17072.00  
CHANGE: 0.00

Signature Jamie Zla, deputy

1/2 goes to Substance Abuse Dept. #631

\$8,536.00

**Joel A. VandeVelde**

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**From:** Pam Johnson  
**Sent:** Friday, April 23, 2021 11:21 AM  
**To:** Paramedic S. Waldron  
**Cc:** Joel A. VandeVelde  
**Subject:** K-9

Hi Tina,

Per our auditor last year they asked that we close the account for K-9 and add to general fund. Donations (unused) should be rolled over each year, which we did not do, so here is the information needed to amend sheriff's budget.

Donations: 2020	\$ 489.35
Donations: 2021	<u>\$ 665.00</u>
Total	\$1,154.35 (Revenue thru April 23, 2021)

Expense: 2020           \$ -140.00

So, amount left that can be amended toward sheriff's dept. K9 supplies for 2021 is \$1,014.35.

*Pam Johnson*  
*Alger County Treasurer*  
*Alger County Land Bank*  
*906-387-4535 (Office)*  
*906-202-3309 (Cell)*

4/28/2021

Alger County  
**Mary Ann Froberg**  
 101 Court Street  
 Munising, MI 49862

**Email:** mfroberg@algercourthouse.com;jvandevelde@algercounty.gov

**Invoice Number:** 970-2020FA  
**Policy Term:** 01/01/2020-12/31/2020

**Member Number:** 970

**2020 Final Audit Invoice**

Code Description	2020 Estimated Payroll	Rate	Premium	2020 Audited Payroll	Rate	Premium	Comments
7380 Drivers	\$1,289,810.15	\$4.84	\$62,426.81	\$1,204,327.00	\$4.84	\$58,289.43	
7720 Police Officers	\$187,561.50	\$3.35	\$6,283.31	\$238,506.00	\$3.35	\$7,989.95	
7720 Police Officers	\$0.00	\$3.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3.35	\$0.00	
8742 Outside Sales	\$0.00	\$0.45	\$0.00	\$17,157.00	\$0.45	\$77.21	
8810 Clerical	\$765,164.99	\$0.28	\$2,142.46	\$710,725.00	\$0.28	\$1,990.03	
8810 Clerical	\$0.00	\$0.28	\$0.00	\$1,373.00	\$0.28	\$3.84	subcontractors
8820 Attorneys	\$346,118.43	\$0.22	\$761.46	\$342,241.00	\$0.22	\$752.93	
8820 Attorneys	\$48,200.00	\$0.22	\$106.04	\$21,764.00	\$0.22	\$47.88	subcontractors
8820 Attorneys	\$0.00	\$0.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.22	\$0.00	
9015 Janitorial Operations	\$73,218.54	\$3.95	\$2,892.13	\$71,594.00	\$3.95	\$2,827.96	
9410 Municipal Employees	\$213,702.36	\$1.30	\$2,778.13	\$260,334.00	\$1.30	\$3,384.34	
9410 Municipal Employees	\$20,000.00	\$1.30	\$260.00	\$55,458.00	\$1.30	\$720.95	subcontractors
	<b>\$2,943,775.97</b>		<b>\$77,650.35</b>	<b>\$2,923,479.00</b>		<b>\$76,084.53</b>	

<b>Experience Modification:</b>	0.70	<b>Experience Modification:</b>	0.70
<b>Modified Premium:</b>	\$54,355.24	<b>Modified Premium:</b>	\$53,259.17
<b>Expense Constant:</b>	\$0.00	<b>Expense Constant:</b>	\$0.00
<b>Estimated Premium:</b>	<b>\$54,355.24</b>	<b>Audited Premium:</b>	<b>\$53,259.17</b>
<b>Total Paid 2020:</b>	<b>\$54,355.26</b>		
<b>Additional or Return Premium:</b>	<b>(\$1,096.07)</b>		
<b>Adjusted Total or Refund Due:</b>	<b>(\$1,096.09)</b>		

\*No Payment is due. You will receive a refund check shortly.

Please make checks payable to: MICHIGAN COUNTIES WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND.

PLEASE NOTE NEW MAILING ADDRESS:  
 CompOne Administrators, Inc.  
 Attn: Mark Hankerd  
 P.O. Box 2530,  
 Okemos, MI 48805

If you have any questions, please contact Julie Watson at  
 jwatson@compone.net or (248) 344-2270.

## MaryAnn Froberg

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**From:** David Woodruff <david.woodruff@cn.ca>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 23, 2021 12:59 PM  
**To:** MaryAnn Froberg  
**Subject:** A Request from CN Railroad  
**Attachments:** DRAFT Government Support Letter to STB 042221\_12pm.docx

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

Good morning,

I hope this email finds you and yours staying safe and healthy during these challenging times. As you know, earlier this week CN Railway announced a proposal to acquire the Kansas City Southern railroad. We believe the combination of our two great railroads would create a network that fosters competition and brings new, sustainable transportation solutions to the customers and businesses in the community you serve. Additional information about our proposal can be found at [www.connectedcontinent.com](http://www.connectedcontinent.com).

As we move forward with this effort, we want to show support for our plan and for our role as neighbors and partners in your community's growth.

Can you help us? I ask if you could send a brief letter to our U.S. economic regulator, the Surface Transportation Board, showing your support. Attached is a suggested draft with language for you to use – I can submit that letter for you with others from across the country.

If you have any questions or need additional information about CN in your community, please let me know. I can be reached at 202 821-6525.

Thank you very much for your consideration,

Dave



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### David D. Woodruff

Assistant Vice President and  
Head of U.S. Public and Government Affairs  
mobile 202.821.6525  
*Celebrating 100 years | Célébrons nos 100 ans*

The Honorable Martin J. Oberman  
Chairman  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E. Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: FD 36514, Canadian National Railway Company, Grand Trunk Corporation, and CN's Rail Operating Subsidiaries—Control—Kansas City Southern, the Kansas City Southern Railway Company, Gateway Eastern Railway Company, and the Texas Mexican Railway Company

Dear Chairman Oberman:

Recently, Canadian National (CN) announced its proposal to combine with Kansas City Southern (KCS), which would create the premier railway for the 21<sup>st</sup> century, connecting ports in the United States, Mexico and Canada to facilitate trade and economic prosperity across the United States and particularly in [CITY/STATE]. I believe that this combination would serve [CITY/STATE] well by expanding the collective reach of both railroads and bringing new, sustainable transportation solutions to businesses in [CITY/STATE] and the [REGION].

For many years, CN has been an integral part of the transportation system in [CITY/STATE]. Their freight railroad safely and reliably connects [CITY/STATE] businesses, large and small, to markets around the world. Perhaps more importantly, as the most fuel-efficient railroad in North America, CN offers a sustainable transportation alternative to trucks – the more products we move by rail, the more we can help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and free up capacity on already congested roads and highways.

I have worked with CN for many years and appreciate their responsiveness and openness to the needs of local residents. CN has operated in the U.S. for more than 100 years and is committed to being a strong local partner in everyone community where it operates. [INSERT LINE ABOUT SPECIFIC COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS]. For all of the reasons outlined above, I strongly support CN's proposed combination with KCS and urge you and the Board to give the proposal every consideration.

Sincerely,

[NAME]  
[TITLE]