

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

December 8, 2025

Approved January 20, 2026

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 Seaberg with the following commissioners present: Commissioners Hughes, Livermore, Nettleton, Rondeau, and Seaberg. Absent – none.

The board of commissioners said the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

It was moved by Commissioner Livermore and seconded by Commissioner Nettleton to approve 3% wage increase for the AFSCME Court Staff union. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Hughes, Livermore, Nettleton, and Rondeau. Nays – Commissioner Seaberg. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Livermore and seconded by Commissioner Nettleton to approve a 3% wage increase for the AFSCME Court Staff union for 2026. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Hughes, Livermore, Nettleton, and Rondeau. Nays – Commissioner Seaberg. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Livermore and seconded by Commissioner Nettleton to approve the 2026 annual salary for the Magistrate at \$51,633.40. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Hughes, Livermore, Nettleton, Rondeau, and Seaberg. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Hughes and seconded by Commissioner Rondeau to approve a 3% wage increase for: POAM Sheriff's Association; TPOAM Courthouse Employees Association; Clerk, Sheriff, Treasurer, and Prosecuting Attorney; Undersheriff; Maintenance Supervisor & Custodian; Circuit Court Administrator; Chief Public Defender, Legal Assistant, & Legal Secretary; set the hourly rate for the Animal Control Supervisor at \$21.97; Juvenile Officer at \$28.37. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Hughes, Livermore, Nettleton, Rondeau, and Seaberg. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was moved by Commissioner Livermore and seconded by Commissioner Hughes to approve advertising Request for Proposals for Courthouse HVAC System Maintenance due by December 12, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. Motion carried by the following vote: Ayes – Commissioners Hughes, Livermore, Nettleton, Rondeau, and Seaberg. Nays – none. Absent – none.

It was the consensus of the board to approve requesting proposals for the management of the County Animal Shelter.

It was the consensus of the board to reappoint Kelly Livermore and Joel VandeVelde to the Brownfield Authority for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2028.

It was the consensus of the board to approve the 9-1-1 CAD system multi-county fee schedule.

It was the consensus of the board to approve the purchase of eight computers to replace obsolete units.

It was the consensus of the board to authorize the FY2026 CUPPAD dues payment fo\$9,450.00.

It was the consensus of the board to approve the Opioid Settlement Steering Committee Bylaws.

It was the consensus of the board to authorize the letter to legal counsel regarding outstanding autopsy reports.

It was the consensus of the board to approve the autopsy request procedure and fee.

Closing MERS DB Division 33 and amending the DC Adoption Agreement will be on next week's agenda for further discussion.

Prosecuting Attorney Robert Steinhoff noted that language in the NSF Policy should be changed from “Prosecutor” to “Law Enforcement.” It was the consensus of the board to approve the NSF Policy with the recommended change.

The revised Personnel Policy will be reviewed for the next meeting.

There was no unfinished business.

It was the consensus of the board to approve all board bills as recommended by the Audit Committee.

It was the consensus of the board to approve the financial reports for all funds (Trial Balance Report Available).

It was the consensus of the board to approve the FY2025 budget amendments (see sheet).

It was the consensus of the board to authorize the treasurer to establish Fund #366 Jail Building Debt Fund.

Commissioner Nettleton reported that the ceiling has been installed at the animal shelter, lights will be installed soon, and insulation work will begin next week. Commissioner Livermore reported that CUPPAD is having difficulties attaining a quorum.

Correspondence was briefly read and placed on file.

The prosecutor thanked law enforcement and animal control for their assistance with a recent case.

The public comment session was open. Court Staff wages were discussed. The board was thanked for being polite in negotiations. There was no further public comment; thus, the public comment session was closed.

The Chairman adjourned this meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Dean Seaberg, Chairman
Alger County Board of Commissioners

Joel VandeVelde
Alger County Clerk