

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Whole
Arenac County Board of County Commissioners:
July 11, 2023 @ 9:30 a.m.**

Present: Commissioners Harold Woolhiser, Sally Mrozinski, Roberta Burke, Lisa Salgat and Jim Hergott.

Absent: None

Other Employees: Nancy A. Selle - Arenac County Clerk, Austin Hazeltine – ACBC Confidential Asst/HR Admin., Larry Davis – Drain Commissioner and Kaylin Czymbor.

Guests: Cole Watson – Solid Circle (via Zoom) and Judy Valley.

Public Comment:

9:50 Arenac County Drain Commissioner – Larry Davis presented a quote from Solid Circle for Drain Ledger software. Total cost would be \$16,844. Implementation and Conversion costs \$11,924; with an additional annual fee of \$4,920 for Hosting/Support/Maintenance. Cole Watson of Solid Circle provided information and answered questions. The current BS&A Ledger program has not been supported for years and is not functioning properly. Kaylin researched software with Midland County Drain Commission and feels the program will be adequate for Arenac County Drain office. Discussion on funding resources.

Building & Grounds: Hergott

Arenac County Veteran Affairs– Currently working on 2024 state grant budget. Radio ads are currently running. The Arenac County Veteran Affairs will have a booth set up at the 2023 Arenac County Fair. The ACVA is sponsoring “Free Admission” to Veterans entering the Arenac County Fair, Wednesday, July 19, 2023, in appreciation for their service.

Sunrise Senior Center – SSC will attend ACBC meeting in October or November for an annual review of the Sunrise Senior Center status. “Senior Day” will be recognized at the Arenac County Fair, with free admission, Wednesday, July 19, 2023.

County Affairs: Mrozinski

2023 Arenac County Fair – The 2023 Arenac County Fair is scheduled for Tuesday, July 18th through Saturday, July 22, 2023.

Budget & Finance: Woolhiser

ARPA – ARPA committee approved recommendation to the ACBC, to pay current BS&A invoices with ARPA funds.

Arenac County Event and Agricultural Center – A Preliminary Wetland and Jurisdiction Determination Report was received by Voice Environmental Group pertaining to the wetland evaluation of the Arenac County Event and Agricultural Center property. The report was then forwarded to the county attorney, Craig Horn, for review/recommendation/options. Clark Hill provided a report for review, pertaining to the Arenac County Event and Agricultural Center. After review of the project as a whole, the Arenac County Event and Agricultural Center sub-committee, has made the recommendation to the ACBC to abandon the Event & Agricultural Center project, at parcels 040-6-014-200-018-40 and 040-6-011-300-135-80, until a new viable project location is identified.

Au Gres River Drain – Legal communications have been received from property owner, Boyle, in the Au Gres Drainage District.

BS&A Onsite – BS&A will be on site three (3) days, August 9-11, 2023.

Health & Public Safety: Burke

Animal Control – Request from Animal Control Officer to payout remaining 196 PTO hours, before her anniversary date of July 28, 2023. Due to lack of staffing, ACO has stated that she will not be able to use them before her anniversary date. Discussion/review of contract language.

Applications have been received for the two (2) part time Animal Shelter positions posted.

MSU-E – Employee – Julie Darton of MSU-E sent communications that they have hired a temporary, part time individual to work at Arenac County until a final candidate is hired. The Arenac County part time MSU-E position is still open; four (4) additional candidates have applied.

Judicial & Legal: Salgat

Au Gres County Park – A fallen tree needed to be removed from the Au Gres County Park.

Special Committee: None

Unfinished Business:

Waste Management Plan – Hergott expressed the need for updating the County Waste Management Plan, as presented by Arenac Conservation District Director and confirmed by Rob Pallarito, Rep for State Senate Representative Michele Hoytenga. EMCOG and Arenac Conservation District are eligible to assist. Funding resources of up to \$65,000 are available to assist with updating plan. Discussion on how to proceed forward.

New Business:

Assistants Report

Financial Statements:

Book of Bills for July, 11, 2023 and Checks on Demand for June 2023 were reviewed.

Public Comment: None

Adjourn: 11:30 a.m.