

Minutes of a Meeting of the Arenac County Commissioners April 28, 2020

Chair Harold Woolhiser called the scheduled meeting of the Arenac County Board of Commissioners to order at 1:30 PM in Room 201 of the Arenac County Building in Standish, Michigan pursuant to Public Notice and the Open Meetings Act with the Board reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the U. S. Flag.

Present: Commissioners: Adam Kroczaleski, Bobbe Burke, Harold Woolhiser, Lisa Salgat, & Sally Mrozinski.

Approval of an Agenda:

Moved by Ms. Burke & 2nd by Mr. Kroczaleski to approve the proposed agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None.

Approval of Various Minutes:

Committee of the Whole of April 14, 2020: Moved by Ms. Mrozinski & 2nd by Ms. Salgat to approve the minutes correcting a word on page 1 to reflect Adam Kroczaleski as Chair of the Republican Party. Motion carried.

Board Session of April 14, 2020: Moved by Mr. Kroczaleski & 2nd by Ms. Mrozinski to approve the minutes of the meeting as prepared. Motion carried.

Claims & Accounts: Book of Bills:

Moved by Ms. Salgat & 2nd by Ms. Mrozinski to approve payment of the Book of Bills in the amount of \$46,047.06. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: None.

Review of Correspondence Listing:

The Board reviewed the Correspondence Listing with the Clerk. After review, the Chair directed that said be placed on file.

Order of the Day: Grievance from Police Officers Association of Michigan: Closed Session.

Moved by Ms. Salgat & 2nd by Ms. Mrozinski to move in to Closed Session with Mr. William P. Borushko of Employment Relations Advisors regarding a Grievance filed by the POAM. Roll Call Vote: Yes: Mrozinski, Salgat, Kroczaleski, Burke, & Woolhiser. No: None. Motion carried by a 5 yes to 0 no vote and the Board moved into Closed Session at 1:42 PM with Mr. Borushko and the Board Secretary.

Order of the Day: Return to Open Session:

Moved by Ms. Salgat & 2nd by Ms. Burke to return to Open Session at 1:55 PM. Roll Call Vote: Yes: Salgat, Kroczaleski, Burke, Mrozinski, and Woolhiser. Motion carried by a 5 yes to 0 no vote. The Board returned to Open Session.

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Order of the Day: Motion:

Moved by Ms. Mrozinski & 2nd by Ms. Burke to authorize Mr. Borushko to proceed with an answer to the grievance as directed in Closed Session. Motion carried.

Motions to be acted upon: Motion 1: 2020 Equalization Report:

The Commissioners reviewed the proposed 2020 Arenac County Equalization Report as presented by Mr. Tony Meyaard, Arenac County Equalization Director this morning in the Committee of the Whole Meeting. After some more review and discussion, moved by Ms. Mrozinski & 2nd by Mr. Kroczaleski to approve the proposed resolution adopting the following Arenac County Equalization Resolution:

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ARENAC COUNTY, MICHIGAN: Your County Equalization Department respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION 2020-03

WHEREAS, MCL 211.34(1) requires the county board of commissioners to meet in April each year to determine county equalized valuations; which equalization shall be completed and submitted along with the tabular statement required by Section 5 of Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1911, as amended no later than May 1 of each year; and

WHEREAS, the assessment rolls of the various assessment jurisdictions have been reviewed by the various local Boards of Review throughout the County of Arenac and submitted to your Equalization Department in the appropriate timely manner; and

WHEREAS, those assessment rolls have been audited and balanced by the Equalization Department in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan and the guidelines of the State Tax Commission; the results such being listed on the attached equalization report and on the prescribed Michigan Department of Treasury Form L 4024 (County Equalization Directors Report of County Equalization).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Arenac County Board of Commissioners approve the County Equalized Valuations as indicated within the attached equalization report a cumulative total for Real Property of \$703,025,315 (Seven Hundred Three Million, Twenty Five Thousand, Three hundred Fifteen Dollars) and a cumulative total for Personal Property of \$50,062,550 (Fifty Million, Sixty Two Thousand, Five Hundred Fifty Dollars). The combined total of Real and Personal Property of the Cities and the Townships in Arenac County is \$753,087,865 (Seven Hundred Fifty Three Million, Eighty Seven Thousand, Eight Hundred Sixty Five Dollars).

Roll Call Vote: Yes: Burke, Salgat, Kroczaleski, Mrozinski, & Woolhiser. No: None. Motion carried by a 5 yes to 0 no vote.

Motion 2: Placement of County Proposals on the August 4, 2020 Primary Election Ballot:

After discussion earlier today and followed by further discussion this afternoon, moved by Ms. Mrozinski & 2nd by Mr. Kroczaleski to place the following County Proposals on the August 4, 2020 Primary Election Ballot in respective number and order as listed below for consideration by the voters of Arenac County in the August 4, 2020 Arenac County Primary Election as follows:

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**PROPOSAL 1
TRANSPORTATION MILLAGE**

Shall the County of Arenac levy a tax of .6 mill, being \$.60 for every \$1,000.00 of taxable value upon all real and personal property in the County of Arenac, Michigan, under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution, for a period of five (5) years, being 2020 through 2024, inclusive, for the purpose of providing County-Wide Transportation & other related Transit Services to the Citizens of the County of Arenac, Michigan? If approved and levied, the estimated amount of revenue for 2020 is \$360,156.

YES () NO ()

**PROPOSAL 2
AMBULANCE SERVICE MILLAGE**

Shall the County of Arenac levy a tax at the rate of .25 mill, being \$.25 for every \$1,000.00 of taxable value, upon all real and personal property within the County of Arenac, Michigan, under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution for a period of three (3) years; 2020-2022 inclusive, for the purpose of providing for ambulance services and equipment within the County, thereby raising an estimated \$150,165 in the first year?

YES () NO ()

**PROPOSAL 3
RENEWAL OF SHERIFF ROAD PATROL MILLAGE**

Shall the County of Arenac renew its levy of a tax of 1.25 mill, being \$1.25 for every \$1,000.00 of taxable value upon all real and personal property within the County of Arenac, Michigan; under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution for a period of six (6) years; being 2021 through 2026 inclusive, for the purpose of providing a County-Wide Sheriff Department Road Patrol including the payment of wages and benefits to officers, vehicle purchases, and operational expenses incurred including but not limited to repair and maintenance? If approved and levied, the estimated amount of revenue for 2021 is \$750,325.

YES () NO ()

**PROPOSAL 4
RENEWAL OF SENIOR SERVICES MILLAGE**

Shall the County of Arenac renew its levy of a tax of .75 mill, being \$.75 for every \$1,000.00 of taxable value, upon all real and personal property within the County of Arenac, Michigan, under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution, for a period of six (6) years from 2021 through 2026 inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for services for older persons within Arenac County, including nutritional, environmental, educational, legal, health, emotional, recreational, transportation and social needs as provided through Public Act 39 of 1976 and to include nutritional and environmental assistance to those individuals in dire (need) circumstances? If approved and levied, the estimated amount of revenue for 2021 is \$450,195.

YES () NO ()

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Motion 3: Authorization and Approval of Michigan Department of Transportation Contract Number 2019-0013/P7 between Arenac County and the MDOT.

Moved by Ms. Mrozinski & 2nd by Ms. Burke to approve the proposed contract with MDOT and authorize the Board Chair to sign said contract for transit services in the estimated amount of \$350,000 for FY 2020. Motion carried. Chair signed contract and office will submit same to MDOT.

Motion 4: Extension of Limited Access to Arenac County Buildings & Courthouse:

After discussion and review of the Governor's request regarding distancing and social interactions, moved by Ms. Salgat & 2nd Ms. Mrozinski to extend the Limited Access to Arenac County Buildings and the Courthouse through Tuesday, May 12, 2020 which includes an officer remaining in the lobby during this period of time to control building access in the Courthouse. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None.

Commissioners Discussion Topics and Items Related:

Commissioner Burke brought up the subject of retention of Arenac County Building Department records and related materials and the need for a solid retention schedule. Board Chair agreed to further investigate the matter and report back at a subsequent meeting.

County Treasurer Dennis Stawowy via Zoom reported that his office has a general retention record policy that their association developed and is in use statewide and approved by the State of Michigan.

County Clerk Rick Rockwell stated likewise that his office has a retention schedule like the one Mr. Stawowy noted that is similarly used statewide and approved by the State of Michigan.

Adjournment:

Moved by Ms. Burke & 2nd by Ms. Mrozinski to adjourn at 2:40 P.M. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Sincerely,

Attest: _____
Harold Woolhiser, Chair of the Board

Ricky R. Rockwell
Arenac County Clerk

ELECTRONIC NOTICE OF MEETING

The Next Scheduled Meeting of the Arenac County Board of Commissioners will occur on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 in Room 201 of the Arenac County Building with the Board meeting in Committee of the Whole at 10 AM and in Board Session at 1:30 PM. Please attempt to have bills for the meeting to the County Clerk's Office by noon on Thursday, May 7th as the Building Offices are still observing reduced hours as this will allow us time to process said billings.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING

The Arenac County Board of Commissioners will meet on:

Tuesday, May 12th as follows:

10 AM in Committee of the Whole

1:30 PM in Board Session

Anyone desiring, may go the Board of Commissioners Site on the Arenac County Web Page and get the information to dial into the meeting to access proceedings of both meetings. There is a code and instructions to enter the code. Appointments for the meeting are still handled through the Board Office at 989 846 6188 and can be handled via Zoom, if desired.

Deadline for submission of bills for the Book of Bills remains on Thursday, May 7th NOON for this meeting as we are still operating on limited hours and limited access at the courthouse and other county owned and operated buildings.

Signed:

Ricky R. Rockwell
Arenac County Clerk

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