

Minutes of a Scheduled Meeting of the Arenac County Board of Commissioners

June 25, 2019

Chair Adam Kroczaleski called the scheduled meeting of the Arenac County Board of County Commissioners to order at 1:32 P. M. pursuant to Public Notice and the Michigan 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. Salgat & 2nd by Mr. Woolhiser to approve the proposed agenda adding Motion 5: MERS.

Public Comments:

Reporter Trevor Drew from the Arenac County Independent asked questions about Board of Commissioners involvement with the new Arenac County Fairgrounds Property Purchase and related development. Chair answered his Questions.

Nancy Selle, Drain Clerk, discussed GIS and related issues with the Board and the status of the three Villages and the program.

County Clerk Rick Rockwell addressed certain issues regarding Villages and their relationship to the Townships in which they are located noting all Village properties are assessed by the respective Township and pay the same township taxes and that the Township Assessor is the official Village Assessor.

Approval of Various Minutes:

Committee of the Whole of June 11, 2019: Moved by Ms. Burke & 2nd by Ms. Salgat to approve the minutes as prepared. Motion carried.

Board Session of June 11, 2019: Moved by Ms. Mrozinski & 2nd by Ms. Burke to approve the minutes as prepared. Motion carried.

Budget & Finance Committee: Moved by Mr. Woolhiser & 2nd by Mr. Kroczaleski to approve the minutes as prepared. Motion carried.

Order of the Day: Fairgrounds Property Purchase and Related Issues:

County Treasurer Dennis Stawowy appeared before the Board to discuss the financing agreement and the proposed fairgrounds property financing document noting that signatures need to be obtained and noted timelines for purchase of said, as well as what is happening at this time, further noting document has been sent to the seller by legal counsel at Thrun Law Firm. He reviewed the bid summary with the County Commissioners. He further requested a motion to authorize the proceeding to a Closing on the Promissory Note. County Treasurer noted that he has possession of all of the respective documentation and will forward same once signatures and certification is received and further noted that a closing date and time will be scheduled with Thrun and Independent Bank.

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Order of the Day: Fairgrounds Note Financing Closing:

Moved by Ms. Salgat & 2nd by Mr. Kroczaleski to accept the low bid of Independent Bank and authorize County Treasurer Dennis Stawowy to effect closing on the proposed Fairgrounds Property Purchase, to further authorize him and the Board Chair to sign any necessary documentation as well as authorize the Treasurer to set up whatever necessary accounts related to said borrowing and accounting related. Motion carried.

Claims & Accounts: Book of Bills:

Moved by Ms. Salgat & 2nd by Mr. Kroczaleski to approve payment of the Claims & Accounts in the aggregate amount of \$115,965.06 and include a revised total of \$116,495.04 once Mr. Trombley signs the respective billing for Parks. Motion carried. (Mr. Trombley arrived later in the meeting and authorized the respective payment of the bill as presented.).

Review of Correspondence:

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

Motions to be acted upon:

Motion 1: 2018 Arenac County All Funds Audit Document:

Moved by Ms. Salgat & 2nd by Mr. Woolhiser to approve the 2018 All Funds Arenac County Audit as presented. Motion carried.

Motion 2: Resolution 2019-08: Housing Preservation Grant:

Moved by Ms. Salgat and seconded by Ms. Burke to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2019-08

WHEREAS, the County of Arenac is interested in the continuing effort to upgrade housing conditions for its low and very low income homeowners;

WHEREAS, the County has demonstrated a need for this assistance with the date outlined in the pre-application;

WHEREAS, the County intends to meet this need by leveraging the present program funds with the proposed HPG funds thus meeting more needs;

WHEREAS, said County Board of Commissioners accepts the recommendation of Housing Consulting Services LLC on behalf of the Arenac County Home Improvement Program to apply for \$25,000 for USDA Housing Preservation Grant Program;

WHEREAS, said County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chief Elected Official to sign said pre-application and future documents relating to this HPG application;

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Arenac authorize the Housing Consulting Services LLC to submit the pre-application to the USDA Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) Program on its behalf.

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

Motion 3: Arenac County Master and Recreation Plans:

Board discussed the fact that the Arenac County Recreation Plan needs updated by April 1, 2020 and the Arenac County Master Plan is overdue for an update likewise. It was also noted that the County received a Tribal 2% Grant for update of both plans for the amount: \$38,000. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Woolhiser & 2nd by Ms. Mrozinski to approve the hiring of Spicer Engineering in the aggregate amount of \$35,500 to prepare both the new Master Plan and the Arenac County Recreation Plan as in the written proposal presented to Commissioners. Motion carried.

Motion 4: Municipal Employees Retirement System Annual Meeting:

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Woolhiser & 2nd by Ms. Salgat to approve the appointment of Ricky Rockwell, Employer Delegate to the MERS Annual Meeting and to further appoint Dennis Stawowy as the Employer Alternate Delegate to the Annual Meeting and to further authorize the County Clerk to conduct the required election for the Employee Delegate and Alternate to be chosen by the "non-supervisory employees who are MERS Members. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business from AM Committee of the Whole:

The Board discussed an upcoming meeting on MERIT scheduled for October 24, 2019 at Gaylord and possible Commissioner attendance.

Order of the Day: Purchase of Scanner & Printer as listed:

Moved by Ms. Burke & 2nd by Ms. Mrozinski to authorize the Board Secretary and/or agent to purchase a scanner for the Equalization Department and a replacement Printer, Fax, & Copier combination for the Board Office. Motion carried.

Saginaw Bay Workshop in Tawas:

The Board discussed an upcoming workshop in the Tawas Area, actually two sessions, which require pre-registration.

The Board discussed the possible relocation of Ed Rohn's (Emergency Management Office) in the Courthouse.

The Board also shortly discussed a "long range" copier study for the County of Arenac noting that said has been promised by Michigan Office Solutions on more than one occasion.

County Treasurer Dennis Stawowy discussed the August 2, 2019 Tax Foreclosure Sale scheduled for Tawas which includes properties located in Arenac, Iosco, and Ogemaw Counties at the East Tawas City Hall Complex on Newman Street. He noted that information is on line.

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Mr. Stawowy also announced that Riverview Campground is also sponsoring "Trash Tuesday" every week at Riverview at which customers get a free canoe trip as part of the Rifle River Cleanup Efforts. One only needs contact Riverview for information regarding said events.

Ms. Burke brought up the issue of the Animal Control Department request to her for the setup of a program that will allow her to collect fees via Credit/Debit Cards to lessen the amount of cash kept on hand at the shelter and to allow for the Credit/Debit payments. It was agreed that Ms. LeMunyon would contact Dennis relating to the matter and they would progress further.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the Chair declared that the meeting was adjourned at 3:08 P.M.

Sincerely,

Attest: _____
Adam Kroczaleski, Chair of the Board

Ricky R. Rockwell
Arenac County Clerk