November 19, 2025

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

Board – In Person With Public Participation Available Through Zoom

Commissioners Present: Hardy, Dutcher, Finley, Loeffler, and O'Farrell.
Absent: None.
Vacant: None.

Also Present: **Nancy Huebel**, County Clerk; **Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski**, County Controller/Finance Director; **Kathleen Murphy**, Board Secretary/Housing Director; **Mike Minger**, EMS Captain; **Scott Frank**, County Sheriff; **Brian Golden**, County Jail Administrator; **Carla Grezeszak**, Deputy Court Administrator/FOC Supervisor; **Zachary Klosowski-Lorenz**, Senior IT Director; **April Johnson**, County Treasurer; **Christopher Martin**, County Emergency Management Coordinator; **Tim Hissong**, Press; **Mark Elliot**, Tawas Bay Insurance Agency representative

Meeting called to order after immediately following the Full Board meeting.

New Business:

Nancy Huebel, County Clerk – Flag Redesign

Last year the board approved redesigning the flag to match the new County logo. The logo was redesigned when the website was updated. Hubel has received two different designs. Hardy motions not to change the flag design and Loeffler seconds. All ayes; motion carried.

Huebel will bring purchasing flags for resale to the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

Old Business:

None.

County Controller's Report: Jamie Carruthers-Soboleski, County Controller/Finance Director

- **Master Plan**
  - The survey is closed.
  - The draft County Master Plan should be completed by March 2026.
- **Recycling**
  - The Grand Opening will be held on Saturday, November 22, 2025, at the Whittemore Chamber of Commerce from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- **Budgets**
  - Carruthers-Soboleski and Huebel are still working on the budgets.
  - Hubel is doing a fantastic job.
  - Thank you to all department heads.
- **Inmate Contract with Alcona County**
  - Scott Frank, County Sheriff, informed the board that Alcona County is agreeable to the $400,000.00 contract with slight word changes.
  - These funds would be placed in the Capital Outlay budget line item if Alcona County Board of Commissioners moves to approve the Inmate Contract.
- **Capital Outlay Budget**
  - Carruthers-Soboleski would like to move any remaining Capital Outlay funds into an investment fund for future repairs. Hardy motions to take this to the full board for consideration and Finley seconds. All ayes. Motion carried.

Any Other Matters:

O'Farrell – MAC Conference in Lansing on Friday.

Carruthers-Soboleski – Holiday Potluck will be held after the December 17th meeting. No County funds are being used. There will be a Holiday Decorating Contest.

Hardy – Cannot attend the Grand Opening Event for the recycling drop sites.

Public Comments:

Carla Grezeszak, Deputy Court Administrator/FOC Supervisor – **Jail Remodel** – Jury box has been removed. Wiring in the basement has begun. State is going to provide poly-frame equipment. The board has an invitation to tour the courtrooms.

Claims and Accounts: Bills reviewed and approved by Finley, Dutcher, and Loeffler in the amount of $314,358.74.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully:

Kathleen Murphy
Board Secretary/Housing Director

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR December 3, 2025