

Antrim County
District 3
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June 2023

County Employment Opportunities

- Antrim County Transportation-Driver (PT)
- Commission On Aging- Homemaker (PT)
- Commission On Aging-CENA (FT & PT)
- Sheriff's Office-Civil Process (PT) (2 positions)
- Sheriff's Office-Dispatcher (FT)
- Sheriff's Office-Corrections (FT)
- Sheriff's Office-Marine Patrol (PT)

Antrim County Sheriff Vacancy-

The position of Antrim County Sheriff will become vacant upon the retirement of Sheriff Daniel Bean, effective September 8, 2023. Per MCL 201.35, a statutory committee consisting of the judge of probate, the clerk, and the prosecuting attorney, shall appoint an interim Sheriff. Anyone interested in applying for the position, shall submit a written request/letter of interest to the Antrim County Clerk, P.O. Box 520, Bellaire, MI 49615 by June 8, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. As provided in Section 1 of Article XI of the State Constitution, the person appointed shall take the oath of office, grant bond in the manner required by law, and hold the office for the remainder of the unexpired term. The Antrim County Sheriff is an elected official. The open position will be on the 2024 ballot. A summary of the Antrim County Sheriff's duties and responsibilities have been posted in the local newspapers and on the County's facebook page.

Veterans Affairs Committee Vacancy-

Antrim County is seeking Interest Notification Forms for one (1) position on the Veterans Affairs Committee. Interested individuals must be an Antrim County resident and a registered voter in Antrim County who have served honorably on active duty in the United States armed forces. Interested residents should fill out and submit an Interest Notification Form found on the County website www.antrimcounty.org/. The completed form and a copy of the applicant's DD-214 must be returned no later than June 22, 2023 to the Administration Office, Antrim County Building, Room 204; emailed to countyadmin@antrimcounty.org; or mailed to Antrim County Administration Office, PO Box 187, Bellaire, MI 49615.

MSU Extension-

temporarily during construction into the Register of Deeds current space, and move the Building Department permanently into the Register of Deeds current space after the façade construction is complete. Public parking plans are underway. **Moved by LaVanway, and seconded by Hefferan, that the Board approve and authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$61,750.00 for the County Building offices renovation project and authorize the Finance Director to make all appropriate Budget Amendments. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Hefferan, Rubingh, VanAlstine, LaVanway; No – None; Absent – Helwig.**

Health Dept. Building Renovations:

Progressive was hired in December to work on relocating the Sheriff Departments road patrol and undersheriff offices to half of the Health Department building in Bellaire. This has been a planned move since last year and it is being coordinated with the County building construction job for better pricing. The project is scheduled to begin the second week in June. **Moved by Hefferan, and seconded by Helwig, that the Board approve and accept the health department building renovation bids as submitted by South Arm Construction and Top Line Electric contingent on satisfactory interviews and reference checks, to authorize \$228,480.00 for project construction and IT infrastructure, and to authorize the Board Chair to execute agreements with South Arm Construction and Top Line Electric. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Hefferan, Rubingh, VanAlstine, Helwig, LaVanway; No – None; Absent – None.**

Public Safety Center (new jail)-

Byce & Associates were hired last year to outline a preliminary plan and renderings for a Public Safety Center. The Sheriff with a committee has worked together on a concept plan. The consultants are working on a new updated plan. A Public Safety Center webpage has been created to keep everyone informed on progress and to answer questions. It is at:

https://www.antrimcounty.org/departments_services/administration_planning/public_safety_center/index.php.

911 Tower-

A new 911 tower has been planned to improve communications for 911. **Moved by LaVanway, and seconded by Helwig, that the Board approve and accept the bid from Allstate Tower, to authorize the expenditure of \$260,970.00 contingent on zoning approval, and to authorize the Board Chair to execute an agreement with Allstate Tower to erect a 199-foot tower, to include foundation, new tower fabrication, and demolition of the old tower, at the Orchard Hill tower location. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Hefferan, Rubingh, VanAlstine, Helwig, LaVanway; No – None; Absent – None.**

2023 Tax Rate Request-

The board approved of the following:

<u>Expires</u>	<u>Voted</u>	<u>2023</u>
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with the Land Conservancy will be writing a grant to make it a park on the South side of Torch Lake. **Moved by VanAlstine, and seconded by Hefferan, that the Board approve and authorize the Chair to execute a forty-year (40) lease with Milton Township for the Lot 33 property and that lease be reviewed every ten (10) years. Motion carried as follows: Yes – Hefferan, Rubingh, VanAlstine, Helwig, LaVanway; No – None; Absent – None.**

Commission on Aging ID Program-

Commission on Aging and the Sheriff's office is working together to promote "Miles for Memories" –Help Home Personal ID Program. It's a new program to assist loved ones with dementia or autism to return home safely. The program provides waterproof hypoallergenic bracelets which hold a QR code for participants to wear. The code can be loaded with medical and emergency contact information by the advocate. This will help reunite the lost with their loved ones by simply scanning the bracelet with a smart phone. There is a small monthly cost to users and is serviced through Verizon. The bracelets will be distributed at the COA office by appointment only if you know of someone that needs one.