

Lenawee County

Newsletter

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GREETINGS

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Welcome to the first edition of the Lenawee County Newsletter. The intent of the newsletter is to keep county residents, governments, agencies and employees informed on county activities that may affect them.

rates and anticipated budget changes for 2012 and 2013. Details on those actions are included in this newsletter.

Over the next few months the county expects to start work on the Solid Waste drop-off station

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The most recent actions by the Commission include actions with regard to the current millage

which will be a significant improvement in the recycling efforts in the county. The county computer upgrade, which will improve communications with local police departments, is also proceeding.

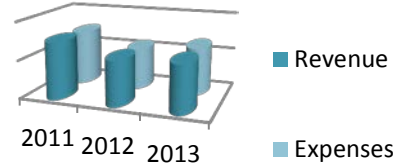
I look forward to bringing information and opportunities to you each month through this newsletter. Please feel free to contact this office at any time.

FINANCE REPORT

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Actual revenues for 2011 were \$27,498,324, estimated revenues for 2012 are \$25,864,799, and the estimated revenues for 2013 are \$26,191,733.

2011 total expenditures were \$27,210,682, the 2012 projected expenses are \$25,417,529, and the 2013 target expenses are \$26,191,733.



Expenses are expected to remain fairly constant for 2013 and 2014.

There were **No findings** in the 2011 Audited Financial Statements.

Imminent Danger

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K2, Spice, Bath Salts, and types of synthetic marijuana have become a significant problem in Lenawee County.

Emergency Order 2012-01, enacted June 13, 2012, provides for the immediate cessation of the selling, trading, giving, bartering, serving, providing or otherwise making available any product or substance containing or reasonably believed to contain synthetic marijuana or cathinones, until such time as the imminent danger has been removed by further order or action.

Updates

Board of Commissioners: At the June meeting, Commissioners approved a County operating levy of 4.9412 mills (\$4.9412 per \$1,000 TV); .1000 mills for Veterans Relief Fund special millage; and .4820 mills for Department on Aging special millage for 2012.

Energy Conservation Project: The Phase 3 energy conservation project has begun and includes improvements to building envelopes, lighting, and water conservation in several of the county buildings. These energy saving measures will continually reduce the costs of energy and allow precious tax-payer dollars to be used in other areas of county government.

Repaving of the Judicial Building parking lot: Repaving of the Judicial Building parking lot will take place during the month of July. Every effort will be made to complete this project as quickly and efficiently as possible.

Red Mill Pond: The process of establishing a legal water level for Red Mill Pond (Tecumseh) and a special assessment district to pay for dam repair and maintenance has commenced. The Lenawee County Drain Commission will administer the lake level and would like to have repairs completed this year.

Suicide Prevention



Tecumseh Public Schools

Effective suicide and violence prevention takes commitment from parents, school administration, staff, and students to create a positive climate with trusting student/adult relationships and supportive mental health services.

Tecumseh Public Schools have become involved in the Lenawee County Anti-Bullying Task Force, Suicide Prevention Workgroup, they offer education on risk factors, warning signs, and intervention, and the high school has become a Yellow Ribbon Chapter.

The Board of Commissioners recently commended Tecumseh Public Schools for addressing the reality of suicide and for taking steps toward prevention.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Water Quality Workshops (Soil Conservation Services) June 21 and Sept 8
- Center for Excellence Field Day - August 15th
- MAC Annual Conference: September 23-25, 2012 in Shanty Creek, MI
- Maurice Spear Campus 50th Anniversary: September 15, 2012 - 2:00 pm

Department Spotlight



Lenawee County Airport

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The Lenawee County Airport is the closest airport to Michigan International Speedway, the Irish Hills, Michigan State University's Hidden Lake Gardens; Siena Heights University, Adrian College, and Jackson Community College. It is centrally located between Ann Arbor, Jackson, and Toledo.

The airport is a vital hub for economic growth in Lenawee County by providing access to many businesses. There is a railroad spur, two Michigan and one U.S. highway within a mile of the airport, and there is undeveloped land available for corporate hangars or cargo facilities.

The Lenawee County Airport offers pilot supplies and support, self and full service fuel, and a clean spacious lounge. They also host community events including the family fun **Lenawee County Airport's Summer Blast** with kid activities, plane rides, and the Jr. Achievement Grand Prix; **Community Days**, and an annual **Breakfast Fly-In**.