



Antrim County Economic Development Corporation



*Mission Statement: Retain, expand, and promote County-wide
economic growth and stability*

MEMBERS

Sherry Comben
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12/31/2025

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12/31/2027

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Kathleen Peterson
12/31/2026

Tim Timmer
12/31/2028

Vacancy
12/31/2028

Vacancy
12/31/2026

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SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

If you wish to attend a meeting and require special assistance, please contact the Administration Office.

The Antrim County Economic Development Corporation
meeting is scheduled for

Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Antrim County Building
Board of Commissioners Room
203 East Cayuga Street, Bellaire, Michigan

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comment
3. Approval of Minutes – [June 20, 2023](#)
4. Discussion: Strategic Planning
 - a. Review of Community & Human Services Objectives
 - b. Review of Environmental Objectives
 - c. Discussion of Outreach Procedures (Tabled 6/20)
5. Vacancy Recommendations to Board Chairman
6. Various Matters / Roundtable Updates
7. Public Comment
8. Adjourn

If you have any questions, concerns, please contact the Administration and Planning Office at 231-533-6265.
We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. Thank you



Memorandum Administration Office

June 20, 2023

TO: Antrim County Economic Development Corporation

FR: Administration Office

RE: Approval of Minutes (5/16)

You received the [minutes from the June 20, 2023](#) Economic Development Corporation meeting via electronic communication on July 3, 2023. If there are no corrections to those minutes, please consider the following action:

Motion by _____, seconded by _____ to approve the minutes of the July 3, 2023 meeting as presented.



Antrim County *Administration Office*

July 18, 2023

TO: Antrim County Economic Development Corporation

FR: Janet Koch, Deputy Administrator

RE: Strategic Planning – Review of Community & Human Services / Environmental Objectives

In previous months, the EDC has come to a consensus regarding Organizational Objectives and Business & Economic Development categories in the strategic planning process. As mentioned previously, when the EDC agrees upon the general direction and language of a strategic plan, it is my intention to format into a document for your final approval. The strategic plan in its entirety will include a summary, topic categories with action steps, metrics, charts, etc. The remaining categories to discuss are:

- Environmental
- Community & Human Services

The following were included in your April 18, 2023 agenda packet. Please discuss on how/if to include in the EDC's 2024 Strategic Plan.

Environmental

Preserve and Protect Natural Resources: Continue to recognize Antrim County's valuable natural resources by supporting and promoting area parks, trails, rivers, lakes, etc., encouraging responsible usage and direct intentional economic development growth areas.

- a) Plume Status – Work with EGLE and other environmental experts to update the public on the status of the plume and mitigation activities. Promote access to plume materials available at the County building.
- b) Access to Resources – Provide links to DNR, local conservation groups, trail systems, etc. on EDC or County website.

PRIORITY: _____

TIMELINE: _____

Community & Human Services

1. Affordable Housing: Promote and advocate housing initiatives by providing access to resources and education supporting the housing needs of Antrim County.

- a) EDC Education – Presentations from partner agencies (Housing North, Northern Homes, Habitat for Humanity, etc.) on various housing topics. Topics could include buyer education, regional housing efforts, Community Land Trust, development incentives, infrastructure, etc.
- b) Access to Resources – Provide links to housing partner agencies on EDC or County website.

PRIORITY: _____

TIMELINE: _____

2. **General needs of growing population/Health Facilities:** Understand Antrim County’s needs of the growing population and status of health facilities.

EDC Education – Presentations from health care industry experts (Health Department of NW Michigan, East Jordan Family Health Center, County Health Department, etc.) to gain an understanding of what is available to Antrim County residents of all ages and income, what is needed or missing, and plans to address the growing needs for the future.

PRIORITY: _____

TIMELINE: _____

3. **Childcare:** Understand Antrim County’s childcare status and what the needs are.

a) EDC Education – Presentations from childcare industry experts (United Way, Great Start Collaborative, etc.) to gain an understanding of what is available to Antrim County residents, program opportunities, what is needed for the county, and plans to address the growing needs for the future.

b) Access to Resources – Provide links to childcare partner agencies on EDC or County website.

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