

Draft
Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Committee of the Whole
Monday, October 14, 2019 – 8:00 A.M.
HH Purdy Building - 125 W. Lincoln, Caro, MI

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young, District 2 - Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Kim Vaughan, District 4 - Mark Jensen, District 5 - Daniel Grimshaw (arrived at 8:03 a.m.)

Absent: None

Also Present: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Eean Lee, Mike Miller, Nancy Laskowski, Ann Hepfer, John Axe, Treasurer Patricia Donovan-Gray, Nancy Erdody, Marilyn Holt, Shelly Lutz, Mark Haney, Jean Doss (via conference call)

Finance/Technology
Committee Leaders-Commissioners Young and Jensen

Primary Finance/Technology

1. **Land Bank** - John Axe reviewed the changes made to the Resolution to Create the Tuscola County Land Bank Authority. He also explained how the Articles of Incorporation and By-laws would be adopted. Commissioner Grimshaw expressed concern over how much the County Land Bank would be utilized. Board discussed at length. Matter to be placed on Thursday's board agenda.
2. **Health Department Personnel Policies** – Ann Hepfer, Health Officer reviewed changes made in the Tuscola County Health Department changes in 2019 personnel policies. Board discussed when health insurance to a new employee would be effective. Board discussed at length. Matter to be placed on Thursday's board agenda.
3. **“Made in the Thumb”, Jennifer Leitzel** - Ms. Leitzel did not appear to discuss the matter.
4. **Economic/Enrichment, Brian Ewald** - Mr. Ewald did not appear to discuss the matter.
5. **Building Codes Permit Summary Report** - Clayette Zechmeister provided the report on behalf of SCMCCI. Board discussed current procedures and what enforcement options are available if a person does not follow the guidelines provided. Matter discussed at length.
6. **Report from Jean Doss (matter added)** - Jean Doss provided a report regarding the FY 2019-20 State Budget and the vetoes that were issued by the Governor. Matters relating to the Caro Center were discussed. Board discussed the matter.
7. **Annual Delegation of School Plan Reviews** - Clayette Zechmeister presented the annual delegation of school plan reviews which need to be approved by the Board and signed by the Board Chair. Clayette will contact SCMCCI for clarification on what happens if the Reese School Plan is not approved. Each school plan approval is to be placed on Thursday's board agenda.
8. **Governor Vetoes Funds Effect on Tuscola County** - Clayette Zechmeister reviewed how the vetoed funds will affect Tuscola County. Matter discussed by the Board.

Recessed at 10:41 a.m.

Reconvened at 10:49 a.m.

9. **Security Status Updates** - Eean Lee presented a quarterly update regarding security of Tuscola County Information Systems.
10. **Dog Ordinance Review** - Clayette Zechmeister has provided a draft ordinance to the Commissioners to review prior to the meeting on Thursday where it will be an agenda item. Commissioner Grimshaw expressed concerns over the draft ordinance. Board discussed proposed ordinance. Meeting to be set up to discuss proposed changes.
11. **Caro Center Water** - Commissioner Young reported that Drain Commissioner Mantey would like to be invited to any meetings that may be scheduled to discuss water to the Caro Center.

On-Going and Other Finance

Finance

1. MREC - updates
2. Update Regarding Assessing/Taxation Disputes with Wind Turbine Companies – SB 46
3. Preparation of Updated Multi-Year Financial Plan
4. Continue Review of Road Commission Legacy Costs
5. 2020 Budget Development

Technology

1. GIS Update
2. Increasing On-Line Services/Updating Web Page
3. Implementation of New Computer Aided Dispatch System

Personnel

Committee Leader-Commissioner Vaughan and Bardwell

Primary Personnel - None

On-Going and Other Personnel

1. Negotiation of Expiring Union Contracts – Setting Financial and Other Objectives
2. Strengthen and Streamline Year-End Open Enrollment
3. Scheduling a MAC 7th Meeting to Determine if Organization will Continue - matter can be removed.

Building and Grounds

Committee Leaders-Commissioners Jensen and Grimshaw

Primary Building and Grounds

1. **Farm Lease Tax Clarification of Property** - Board discussed the current lease that was put out for bid and whose responsibility it is to pay the taxes. Mike Miller opened the two bids received. The first bid was from Putnam Developing and Demolition for \$71.00 per acre. The second bid was from Schriber Farms for \$155.00 per acre. Matter to be placed on Thursday's agenda.
2. **Vanderbilt Park Request to Survey** - Board discussed the potential need to have a new survey completed. Commissioner Grimshaw will contact Robert McKay to review the matter and get clarification.

-Commissioner Vaughan provided an update regarding the state land and having a survey completed on that land to provide to the State. Matter to be added to Thursday's agenda.

On-Going and Other Building and Grounds

1. County Jail Study
2. Recycling Relocation Update
3. County Physical and Electronic Record Storage Needs – Potential Use of Recycling Pole Building
4. Review of Alternative Solutions Concerning the Caro Dam

Other Business as Necessary - None

Public Comment Period - None

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

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