

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
October 25, 2018 Minutes
H. H. Purdy Building

Commissioner Bardwell called the meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the H.H. Purdy Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, on the 25th day of October 2018, to order at 8:00 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Pastor William Sanders, Watrousville United Methodist Church

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Vaughan

Roll Call – Clerk Jodi Fetting

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young, District 2 - Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Kim Vaughan, District 4 - Mark Jensen, District 5 – Matthew Bierlein

Commissioner Absent: None

Also Present: Mike Hoagland, Clerk Jodi Fetting, Mike Miller, Register John Bishop, Pastor William Sanders, Nancy Laskowski, Mary Brissette, Angie Daniels, Ray Rendon, Cristi Smith, Bob Osborn, Steve Erickson, Leigh Nacy, Treasurer Patricia Donovan-Gray, Steve Anderson, Pam Shook, Joe Green

Adoption of Agenda -

18-M-165

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan to adopt the agenda as presented.
Motion Carried.

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -

18-M-166

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young to adopt the meeting minutes from the October 11, 2018 Regular Board and Statutory Finance meetings as presented.
Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only -

-Register John Bishop - Expressed concern over how the Board for the Land Bank will be appointed under the Interlocal Agreement and how the Chairman of that Board would be appointed.

Consent Agenda Resolution -

18-M-167

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young that the following Consent Agenda Resolution from the October 22, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Reference: A

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/22/18

Description of Matter: Move that the following adoption and deceased animal pickup fees be authorized for immediate implementation:

Adoption Fees:

Cats

Current Adoption Fee: \$30.00

FVRCP Vaccine	\$6.45
Deworming	\$.50 - \$2.00
FELV/FIV Test	\$13.50
Spay/Neuter & Rabies Vaccine	\$38.00
Flea Prevention	\$10.00
Food/Kennel Care	\$20.05
Total:	\$90.00

Adoption Fee for kittens or cats that cannot be altered immediately due to medical reasons: \$120.00 (\$30.00 refundable)

Dogs

Current Adoption Fee: \$40.00

DHPP Vaccine	\$6.70
Deworming	\$.50 - \$2.00
Heartworm Test	\$2.88
Spay/Neuter & Rabies Vaccine	\$58.00
Flea Prevention	\$11.00
Food/Kennel Care	\$44.42
Total:	\$125.00

Adoption Fee for puppies or dogs that cannot be altered immediately due to medical reasons: \$155.00 (\$30.00 refundable)

** Spay/Neuter Deposit will be changed back to \$30.00

Dead Animal Pick Up (for owned animals):

Current Price: \$0.00

New Price: \$35.00

** Animal Control is charged \$20.00 per animal for dead animal pickup.

Agenda Reference: B

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/22/18

Description of Matter: Move that the agreement between Millington Township and the Sheriff Department for the provision of police services for the years of 2019, 2020 and 2021 be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized.

Agenda Reference: C

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/22/18

Description of Matter: Move that the contract with Tuscola Behavioral Health System to provide mental health services for jail inmates be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized.

Agenda Reference: D

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/22/18

Description of Matter: Move that Elaine Romain be appointed to the Council on Aging until 12/31/18 to fill the vacant term of Edna Jaynes.

New Business -

-Potential Formation of a County Land Bank - The proposed Intergovernmental Agreement discussed today was included in the October 22, 2018 Committee of the Whole agenda packet as Item C. Register Bishop expressed concern over 4.10 that establishes the Economic Development Director always be appointed as the Chairperson. He feels that it should be a person the County Land Bank Board feels is the best to lead. Matter discussed at length.

18-M-168

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young that 4.10 naming a permanent Chairperson be stricken from the Interlocal Agreement between the Michigan Land Bank Fast Track Authority and the Treasurer of the County of Tuscola, Michigan creating the Tuscola County Land Bank Authority. Motion Carried.

Board read Resolution of the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners Approving Intergovernmental Agreement to Create the Tuscola County Land Bank Authority.

18-M-169

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Vaughan that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution as read to establish an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Tuscola County Treasurer and the Tuscola County Land Bank. Roll Call Vote - Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; Jensen - yes; Bierlein - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

-Providing Water to the New Caro Regional Center - Commissioner Vaughan stated for the best interest of all parties involved that Tuscola County step in to provide water to the Caro Center. Supervisor Rendon expressed his concern that Indianfields Township was not involved from the beginning and only became a player in the end. Nancy Laskowski believes that the DEQ would need to be involved and that could be a lengthy process. Commissioner Bardwell stated the Board has been concerned for quite some time that an agreement would not be able to be put into place between the City of Caro and Indianfields Township. Mike Hoagland explained the process of selling bonds in order to finance the project and the repayment process.

18-M-170

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Young to enter into an agreement with Schellenbarger Engineering and Surveying, PC for \$5,000 to perform services including: evaluating the present condition of the Regional Center water system, working with state officials to determine current and future water needs of the Regional Center, working with Indianfields Township officials to determine current and future water needs, determining system emergency power needs, identifying overall system capital improvement and annual operational costs. Also, all appropriate signatures regarding this agreement are authorized. (If this project proceeds engineering and legal costs can be incorporated with the bonds that would be issued). Motion Carried.

-Michigan Renewable Energy Collaborative - Mike Hoagland provided an overview of the matter and how it relates to the taxing of wind turbines. He also expressed that we need to be supportive of Senator Green's proposed bill. There are other players that he feels should get involved. Mike Hoagland will continue to reach out to those parties. Nancy Laskowski stated that in general people do not understand how wind turbines are taxed and there needs to be an educational discussion held.

-Request to Lift the County Hiring Freeze and Re-fill Property Appraiser Position - Angie Daniels explained the need to re-fill the vacancy within the Equalization Department.

18-M-171

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan that per the request of the Equalization Director that the county hiring freeze be lifted and authorization is given to refill a vacant Property Appraiser position. Motion Carried.

Board discussed why there is still a hiring freeze in place.

-Primary Road Millage Transfer Request - Mike Hoagland explained request.

18-M-172

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young that per the request of the Road Commission to approve the Primary Road Millage transfer to the Road Commission General Fund of \$1,421,677.53 as identified by Voucher #01 of 2018 dated October 12, 2018. Motion Carried.

-Bridge Millage Transfer Request - Mike Hoagland explained request.

18-M-173

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan that per the request of the Road Commission to approve the Bridge Millage transfer to the Road Commission General fund of \$607,544.90 as identified by Voucher #02 of 2018 dated October 12, 2018. Motion Carried.

-Engineering Proposal for Work at Vanderbilt Park - Mike Miller explained request and proposed quote which includes the design of the system which would need approved at that point. It would also certify the current system.

18-M-174

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Young to approve entering into a service contract with Phillips Engineering for \$3,700 to design a commercial septic system for bidding and to verify the adequacy of the water system previously installed at the park. Also, service contract signatures and appropriate budget amendments are authorized. Motion Carried.

-Robert McKay, Parks and Recreation Committee Chairman, sent a letter to Chairman Bardwell requesting that the 2019 Budget Development include the funding to remove phragmites at Vanderbilt Park. Matter discussed but would need to be referred to a Committee of the Whole meeting.

-Sheriff Budget Amendment Request for Police Vehicles - Mike Hoagland explained the request.

18-M-175

Motion by Young, seconded by Bierlein that per the request of the Sheriff, that the Road Patrol budget be amended by \$95,301 to enable the purchase of three additional patrol cars in 2018. Motion Carried.

Old Business -

-Indigent Defense Interviews - The interviews are scheduled for tomorrow. Mike Hoagland will provide an overview of the candidates to the Board.

Correspondence/Resolutions -

- Road Commission minutes from October 4, 2018
- Health Department Report
- Senior Advisory Council minutes from October 15, 2018
- Letter from Parks and Recreation Commission

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTSYOUNG

Dispatch Authority Board
County Road Commission Liaison - Looking to replace the Akron Garage.
Considering leasing a building rather than building.
Board of Public Works
Senior Services Advisory Council
Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
MAC Agricultural/Tourism Committee
Strategic EDC Planning Committee
Jail Planning Committee
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
Region VI Economic Development Planning
Tuscola 2020
MI Renewable Energy Coalition
Cass River Greenways Pathway

VAUGHAN

Board of Health - Update provided regarding state-wide sewer code.
Planning Commission
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee
Parks and Recreation Commission
Tuscola County Fair Board Liaison
MAC Environmental Regulatory – Vice Chair
NACO-Energy, Environment & Land Use
State Land Bank (Caro Property Ad Hoc) Committee - Commissioner Vaughan is recommending that Commissioner Bierlein continue to serve on this committee after January 1, 2019.

BIERLEIN

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
Human Development Commission (HDC)
Recycling Advisory Committee
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
Great Start Collaborative Council
Local Unit of Government Activity Report - Discussed how DTE is supporting candidates in order that will support their cause.
MAC Board of Directors
Human Services Collaborative Council
MAC Judiciary Committee
Tuscola County College Access Network
MAC Agricultural/Tourism Committee
MEMS All Hazards

JENSEN

Community Corrections Advisory Board
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
Jail Planning Committee
Board of Health
Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison - Update provided.

BARDWELL

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
Caro DDA/TIFA
MAC Finance
MAC 7th District - Meeting upcoming.
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
TRIAD - Update provided.
Behavioral Health Systems Board
MAC Workers Comp Board - Update provided.

Other Business as Necessary - None

Extended Public Comment –

-Steve Erickson - Steve has updated Representative Canfield on the water to the Caro Center and is very excited about the progress. There is some documentation Representative Canfield would like to receive today and Mike Hoagland will work on that with Steve. Also, Steve discussed the Brownfield Development Board and grant funds received.

-Nancy Laskowski - Nancy asked if there was an update regarding Building Codes issuing permits for the wind turbines. Matter discussed. Nancy also expressed concern of her family members who are builders that have situational issues with Building Codes.

-Mary Brissette - Mary asked if a permit can be issued for a basement without a permit for a house as in essence that is what is being done for the wind turbines.

Meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk