### DRAFT - Agenda

# Tuscola County Board of Commissioners Committee of the Whole – Tuesday, August 13, 2013 - 7:00 A.M. HH Purdy Building - 125 W. Lincoln, Caro, MI

#### **Finance**

Committee Leaders-Commissioners Kirkpatrick and Trisch

#### **Primary Finance**

- 1. County Financial Assessment (Material to be provided at meeting)
- 2. Schedule Future Closed Session Discussion for Labor Negotiations
- 3. Medical Examiner (See A)
- 4. Digital Parcel Mapping Saginaw Valley State University
- 5. Nextera Tax Appeal Status Escrow County Funds
- 6. Letter to send to State Tax Commission (See B)
- 7. Animal Control Agreement (See C)
- 8. Workers Compensation (See D)
- 9. Potential Re-Use of former Camp Tuscola (See E)
- 10.MAC Summit Meetings Update

#### On-Going Finance

- 1. Dentist Legal Cost Request for County Cost Sharing
- 2. Denmark Township Litigation Update
- Register of Deeds Land Transaction Recordings Regarding Wind Energy
- 4. Medical Care Facility Certificate of Need for Small House Project Update
- 5. Prepare Bids for the 2013 County Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (Audit)
- 6. BC/BS Access Fees Lawsuit
- 7. Tuscola "In Sync"
- 8. Fixed Asset Inventory
- 9. Health Insurance Affordable Care Act

#### Personnel

Committee Leader-Commissioners Kirkpatrick and Trisch

#### **Primary Personnel**

- 1. Construction Code Board of Appeals
- 2. MERS Uniform Transfer Provisions (See F)
- 3. Employee Request to Purchase MERS Service Time
- 4. Equalization Waiver Request (See G)
- 5. Class Action Lawsuit Settled (See H)
- 6. Farm Bureau Annual Meeting (See I)

#### On-Going Personnel

- 1. Court Personnel Policy Revisions
- 2. Preservation of the Joint Tuscola/Huron Equalization Director
- 3. MERS Employee Delegate

#### **Building and Grounds**

Committee Leader-Commissioners Allen and Beirlein

#### Primary Building and Grounds

- 1. Jail Bed Addition Project Update
- 2. State Police Post Update
- 3. Completion of 2013 Budget Equipment/Capital Improvement Projects
- 4. Dead Ash Trees Roadway Problems/Concerns

#### On-Going Building and Grounds

- 1. Update to the County Solid Waste Management Plan EDC
- 2. Cass River Greenway
- 3. State Purchase of Private Land in Tuscola County

#### Other Business as Necessary

**Public Comment Period** 

Closed Session – If Necessary

Other Business as Necessary

#### **Statutory Finance Committee**

Claims Review and Approval

#### Notes:

Except for the Statutory Finance Committee, committee meetings of the whole are advisory only. Any decision made at an advisory committee is only a recommendation and must be approved by a formal meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

If you need accommodations to attend this meeting please notify the Tuscola County Controller/Administrator's Office (989-672-3700) two days in advance of the meeting.

This is a draft agenda and subject to change. Items may be added the day of the meeting or covered under other business at the meeting.

From: Commissioner Bierlein [mbierlein@tuscolacounty.org]

Sent: Tuesday, August 06, 2013 9:57 PM

To: <mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org>

Subject: Fwd: Tuscola County Medical Examiner

Mike, can you put this on the agenda for the Tuesday committee meeting?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Debra Kranz < kranzfuneralhome@gmail.com>

Date: August 6, 2013, 6:58:39 PM EDT

**To:** <a href="mailto:documents.org">to: <a href="mailto:documents.org">tbardwell@tuscolacounty.org">, <a href="mailto:documents.org">beetman95@yahoo.com</a>>, <a href="mailto:documents.org">ctrish@tuscolacounty.org</a>, <a href="mailto:documents.org">kirkpatrick\_craig@sbcglobal.net</a>>,

<mbedselein@tuscolacounty.org>

Subject: Tuscola County Medical Examiner

Dear Tuscola County Commissioners,

I am writing to you in regard to the Medical Examiner's office being closed each Monday. In my experience, Monday is the busiest day for that office. Any deaths which occur Friday, Saturday or Sunday which require cremation authorization have to wait until Monday. By having the office closed on Monday you increase the time to 4 days with unembalmed bodies and without authorization for cremation from the Medical Examiner.

Most of us do not have cooling units to secure the bodies in. Therefore making decomposition proceed faster and the possibility of odors increased. All in all making an unpleasant situation. The number of cremations with unembalmed bodies continues to increase. Therefore this problem will continue to worsen.

Is it possible to close the office another day during the week? Perhaps on Wednesday.

I appreciate you taking the time to read this. Please give this your consideration.

Thank you,

Debra L. Kranz
Kranz Funeral Home
6850 Main St.
Cass City, MI 48726
989-872-2195
kranzfuneralhome@gmail.com



August 4, 2013

To: Kel

Kelli Sobel

Michigan State Tax Commission

P.O. Box 30471

Lansing, Michigan 48909-7971

Subject: Proposed 2014 Wind Energy System Form 4565 Comments

Dear Ms. Sobel

I would like to express my appreciation that the Michigan State Tax Commission is considering changes to the multiplier schedule for Wind Energy Systems. Wind Energy Systems have only a brief history in our state which has added to the difficulty in assuring the multipliers used do reflect true cash value. I believe that there is data available that could support more accurate multipliers. Just establishing multipliers for compromise purposes does not result in what is fair and equitable to any of the parties involved. If the commission is inclined to approve the proposed multipliers as an interim solution to allow time for comprehensive studies and hearings where all parties could present information, I could understand that position.

Other changes needed in Form 4565 include as follows:

The GPTA clearly states the following in clarifying what makes up a Wind Energy System

"208. (1) For taxes levied after December 31, 2005, a wind energy system. As used in this subdivision, "wind Energy system" means an integrated unit consisting of a wind turbine composed of a rotor, an electrical generator, a control system, an inverter or other power conditioning unit, and a tower, which uses moving air to produce power."

Yet the proposed Form 4565 Form Part 3 Site Improvements includes roads, fences and communication facilities which state law does not codify as part of the wind energy system. Therefore only the components codified by the GPTA should be considered in Part 3 Site improvements. Roads, fences and communication facilities should be classified as are other similar properties are and be removed from Part 3 of Form 4565.

Another change that is necessary is to add a section at the bottom of Form 4565 to add the true cash value of Part 2 and Part 3 for a total True Cash Value.

Once again I appreciate the efforts of The State Tax Commission to assure that all parties are heard, but ask that all decisions be based on facts that are accumulated through a process open to input from all parties.

Sincerely,

Michael Krause 1785 Thompson Rd Bad Axe Michigan 48413 Certified Personal property Examiner

## Comparison County Run Animal Control Verses Agreement with Sanilac County

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	First Year Tuscola Budget (Including Truck	Second Year Tuscola Budget (Excludes Truck	2012 with Sanilac	Full Year with Sanilac Agreement	
Account	Purchases)	Purchases)	Agreement	increase	Comments
Revenue					
Animal Licenses	\$147,000	\$147,000	\$120,097	\$147,000	2013 Fee increase
Animal Boarding	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$1,745	\$2,000	
Animal Sales	\$200	\$200	\$170	\$200	
Reimbursement Gas	NA	NA	\$12,189	\$12,189	
Total Revenue	\$149,200	\$149,200	\$134,201	\$161,389	
Operating Expenditures					
Sanilac Agreement	NA	NA	\$123,555	\$133,555	\$10,000 increase
Supervisor Salary	\$36,500	\$36,500			
Full Time Salaries	\$29,500	\$29,500			
Part-Time Employee	\$10,000	\$10,000			
Summer Employee	\$5,000	\$5,000			
Overtime	\$4,000	\$4,000			
FICA and Medicare	\$8,000	\$8,000			
Retirement	\$12,000	\$12,000			
Health Insurance	\$30,000	\$30,000			
Disability	\$1,000	\$1,000			
Office Supplies	\$400	\$400	\$1,111	\$1,111	
Euthanasia Expenses	\$400	\$400			
Postage	\$100	\$100			
Uniforms and Accessories	\$500	\$500			Gas reimbursed
Gas, Oil, etc.	\$23,500	\$23,500	\$12,189	\$12,189	under agreement
Janitorial Supplies	\$1,000	\$1,000			
Dog Food	\$2,000	\$2,000	_		
Animal Disposal	\$1,800	\$1,800			
Vet. Services	\$1,500	\$1,500			
Telephone	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$573	\$573	
Utilities	\$3,500	\$3,500			
Building Repair/Maint.	\$1,000	\$1,000			
Total Operating					
Expenditures	\$173,200	\$173,200	\$137,428	\$147,428	
Capital Expenditures					
2 Trucks	\$36,000	\$0	\$0		Startup cost
2 Truck Mounted Dog Boxe	\$8,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	Startup cost
Total Capital Expenditures	\$44,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Operating and Capital Expenditures	\$217,200	\$173,200	\$137,428	\$147,428	Agreement lowest cost
Revenue Minus Expenditures	-\$68,000	-\$24,000	-\$3,227	\$13,961	



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Mr. Michael Hoagland, Administrator/Controller County of Tuscola 125 W. Lincoln St. Caro, MI 45983

Dear Mike:

Sanilac County's Personnel Committee is proposing making the following rate increases and changes to the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal Control Services. This proposal is conditional upon the employee agreeing to enter into an employment contract with these terms.

- Single Subscriber Health Insurance Projected rate increase \*\$6,800.00, subject to rate change May 2014
- Clerk I 5 year salary scale 44 hours per week subject to step increases. Beginning wage \$11.16 per hour. Projected rate increase \$2,500.00
- Unemployment benefits paid by the county terminating the agreement.

The Personnel Committee believes this is a fair and affordable option so long as the agreement allows for automatic adjustments resulting from increases in health care costs and wage step increases. The above numbers are based on actual costs so there is really no room for negotiation. Again, these terms are subject to employee acceptance.

This joint arrangement has worked well for Sanilac County and it is our desire to continue providing Animal Control services for Tuscola County.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Dorman, Administrator County of Sanilac

<sup>\*</sup>Estimated Annual Cost. Health Insurance includes health, dental and vision coverage provided to other county employees.



From:

Short, Jeffery [Jeffery.Short@cmi-yorkrsg.com]

Sent:

Tuesday, August 06, 2013 11:08 AM

To: Cc: mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org

Jeffrey.Packard@yorkrsg.com; ggs@tuscolacounty.org; pturner@tuscolacounty.org; kgreen@tuscolacounty.org

Subject:

MAC WC Fund & CMI Safety resources

Attachments: Slip and Fall Prevention Poster.doc; JJ Keller September Prevention.pdf; Client survey Jeff Short

2013.doc; CMI Internal Video List- 2013.pdf; 911 Dispatchers Ergonomics.pdf; 2013 MIOSHA

GHS training.pptx; MAC Tuscola County August 2013.docx

#### Mike

Hi, on behalf of the Michigan Counties Workers' Compensation Fund (MAC) please accept the attached written report as confirmation of my recent meeting with your staff- Glen, Penny @ Sheriff's office, Mike @ Maintenance and Kim @ Mosquito Abatement. Your workers' compensation results are trending better than industry average, continue the fine advances in employee education and workplace safety.

Areas of most concern include: elimination of fitness equipment at Sheriff's office (free weights and remote access to room, etc...), Mounted Division (volunteers) pose unique hazards listed within the attached report. will forward to Jeff Packard- CMI Account Manager regarding the question/concern raised by your CERT team members and their desire to have a written document stating they are covered under workers' compensation while working for the county.

For your convenience, I have attached several safety documents for your review and possible use at Tuscola County. In addition, I have attached a quality survey (5 brief questions) to rate my level of customer service, please feel free to comment as necessary. If you need any other safety or risk management related information feel free to contact me directly.

Warm regards enjoy the rest of the summer,

Jeff

Jeffery A. Short CSP/ARM Senior Loss Prevention Consultant 517 256 3149 cell 517.338.5081 fax Jeffery.Short@cml-yorkrsg.com email

CMI, A York Risk Services Company 645 W. Grand River Avenue Suite 100 Howell, MI 48843



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## TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

125 W. Lincoln Street Suite 500 Caro, MI 48723 Telephone: 989-672 3700

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August 1, 2013

Mr. Charles Brown
Michigan Department of Corrections Staff
Grand View Plaza
206 E. Michigan Avenue
P.O. Box 30003
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Mr. Brown and DOC Staff:

The purpose of this follow up letter is to express our appreciation for the response from Director Hines to the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners June 13, 2013 letter regarding solutions to the aging state prisoner population. Our letter discussed the proposed formation of a partnership with the DOC. The purpose of the partnership is to help solve the problems of meeting the expanded needs of the aging prisoner population by capitalizing on the strong medical capabilities in the area and by re-use of the former Camp Tuscola. Another objective of this communication is to express our sincere desire and interest to assist in whatever manner is beneficial.

We understand that DOC has not yet reached a point of determining how specific physical jail space needs of this prisoner population will be resolved. However, we would appreciate being involved as early as possible in the process to demonstrate that re-use of former Camp Tuscola is both practical and feasible. This is an important opportunity for Tuscola County and the State to achieve a viable re-use for this facility. It makes good business sense to re-use a viable existing facility rather incur the major capital costs of constructing new prison facilities. This is especially true when skilled and capable medical resources are in proximity to the facility.

If you would like specific information regarding specialized medical capabilities in the area we could provide this information. Meetings with Chief Executive Officers of area medical providers could be organized. Also, the Caro Regional Center is next to the former Camp Tuscola. Certain medical resources that are already available at this state facility could be extended to the aging prisoner re-use at the former Camp Tuscola. The state has made significant investments over multiple years at Camp Tuscola to keep it structurally sound and in good overall condition.

Tuscola County officials remain ready and optimistic of partnering with the DOC in the best interest of efficient and cost effective service delivery. We believe, as has been successfully accomplished in the past, that we can again partner with the DOC to help solve the special medical and other needs of this aging prisoner population through the re-use of Camp Tuscola.

Please advise the county of potential meeting dates so we can schedule local officials for attendance. You may contact the Tuscola County Controller/Administrator (Michael Hoagland) at 989-672-3700 <a href="mailto:mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org">mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org</a>.

Sincerely,

Thomas Bardwell

Roger Allen

Matthew Bierlein

Craig Kirkpatrick

Christine Trisch



From:

Dawn Bowden [dbowden@tuscolacounty.org]

Sent:

Tuesday, July 30, 2013 1:26 PM

To:

mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org

Subject:

FW: MERS resolution

Attachments: 2013\_06\_07\_15\_12\_37.pdf

Mike.

Bob Klenk asked that I resend this to you.

Thanks,

Dawn Bowden
HR Director
Tuscola County Controller's Office
125 W. Lincoln Street
Caro, MI 48723

Phone: 989-672-3705 Fax: 989-672-4011

dbowden@tuscolacounty.org

From: Dawn Bowden [mailto:dbowden@tuscolacounty.org]

**Sent:** Friday, June 07, 2013 3:25 PM **To:** 'mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org'

Subject: MERS resolution

Mike.

As we spoke about before, the way our MERS retirement divisions are currently set up as closed and open division. All new hire and transfer employees are placed into the open divisions. Without this attached resolution currently that I am not able to place a transfer employee into a closed unit.

Here is the problem I see with this matter. Currently the transferred employee are forced into the open division which means they have to pay a higher employee contributions and receive a lesser benefit. This also makes all their service credits transfers to whatever the benefit provisions are in the new DB plan division they are transferring too. This could cause an increase or a decrease in the employees pension.

I believe that the employees hired before 1/1/11 should be grandfathered to be entered into the closed division they are transferring to.

Here is an example: say my hire date was 1/1/10 and I was currently in the Non union salary division which is a B3 level and employee contributions 4.7%. I have accepted a position within the Treasury's dept which is ASCME division. The only open division is for ASCME hired at 1/1/11 which is a B2 level and employee contributions 6.7%. All of my previous service in non union salary division will transfer from a B3 to B2 level and my contributions will increase by 2%.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

Dawn Bowden HR Director Tuscola County Controller's Office

## EMPLOYER RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING UNIFORM TRANSFER PROVISION



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		(Title)

### Example Scenarios of the Uniform Transfer Rules

#### Example 1

The City of Tree has two divisions: Division 01 has the MERS Defined Benefit Plan with a 2.0% multiplier. Division 99 converted from the MERS Defined Benefit Plan with a 2.25% multiplier to the MERS Defined Contribution Plan in 2000. Thus for division 99 the Defined Contribution Plan is the open plan, and the Defined Benefit Plan is the closed plan. However in this scenario the City of Tree still has active employees that are covered under the closed Defined Benefit Plan in division 99.

#### **Under Standard Transfer Rules**

John transfers from division 01 to division 99. Under the standard rules he would go into the active plan, which is the Defined Contribution Plan. John's accrued pension earned under the previous Defined Benefit Plan would be frozen and he would be enrolled in the Defined Contribution Plan moving forward.

#### Transfer Rules with Employee Choice

John transfers from division 01 to division 99. Under the alternative rules, he would receive the choice to either join the closed division with the same plan type (Defined Benefit) having active employees, or he could freeze his accrued pension and enroll in the open Defined Contribution Plan. If John chooses to enroll in the closed Defined Benefit Plan, then his entire accrued pension earned under the previous Defined Benefit Plan with the 2.0% multiplier would be transferred to the closed Defined Benefit Plan with the 2.25% multiplier (all defined benefit service applied to 2.25% multiplier).

#### Example 2

The City of Tree has two divisions: Division 01 has the MERS Defined Benefit Plan with a 2.0% multiplier. Division 99 converted from the MERS Defined Benefit Plan with a 2.25% multiplier to the MERS Defined Contribution Plan in 2000. Thus for division 99 the Defined Contribution Plan is the open plan, and the Defined Benefit Plan is the closed plan. However in this scenario the City of Tree has NO active employees under the closed Defined Benefit Plan in division 99.

#### **Under Standard Transfer Rules**

John transfers from division 01 to division 99. Under the standard rules he would go into the active plan, which is the Defined Contribution Plan. John's accrued pension earned under the previous Defined Benefit Plan would be frozen and he would be enrolled in the Defined Contribution Plan moving forward.

#### Transfer Rules with Employee Choice

John transfers from division 01 to division 99. He does not receive the choice to enroll in the closed Defined Benefit Plan however, because there are NO active employees in the closed plan. John's accrued pension earned under the previous Defined Benefit Plan would be frozen and he would be enrolled in the open Defined Contribution Plan moving forward.

From: Mike Hoagland [mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org]

Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2013 2:44 PM

To: Bowden Dawn (dbowden@tuscolacounty.org)

Subject: FW: MERS

Michael R. Hoagland Tuscola County/Controller Administrator 125 W. Lincoln Caro, Ml. 48723 989-672-3700 mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org

From: Robert Klenk [mailto:rklenk@tuscolacounty.org]

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 30, 2013 12:23 PM **To:** mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org

Subject: MERS

Mike,

I believe the board needs to take action on allowing an employee in one bargaining unit or non union group who moves to another bargaining unit that they be allowed to move with the original hiring date. I believe now if they were to move they would be considered a new hire and fall under the new hire after Jan 1, 2011 date of hire and have a B-2 retirement. You will want to check with Dawn on this to verify

**Thanks** 

Bob



From: Mike Hoagland [mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org]

Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2013 7:27 AM

To: Bierlein Matthew (mbierlein@tuscolacounty.org); Kirkpatrick Craig (kirkpatrick craig@sbcglobal.net); Roger Allen

(beetman95@yahoo.com); Tom Bardwell (tbardwell@hillsanddales.com; Trisch Christine

(christinetrisch@gmail.com)

Subject: FW: Huron and Tuscola County Equalization Director Waiver for 2014

Michael R. Hoagland
Tuscola County/Controller Administrator
125 W. Lincoln
Caro, Ml. 48723
989-672-3700
mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org

From: Ten Broeke, Kyle (Treasury) [mailto:TenbroekeK@michigan.gov]

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 31, 2013 4:36 PM

To: wsch@TuscolaCounty.org

Cc: mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org; 'Jodi Essenmacher'

Subject: RE: Huron and Tuscola County Equalization Director Waiver for 2014

Walt,

I have received your waiver applications. Unfortunately, I cannot give you exact timing for consideration of the applications as we are currently working on the annual review of assessor certification guidelines.

Thank you,

Kyle W. Ten Broeke State Tax Commission Analyst

Phone: 517-335-2532 Fax: 517-241-1650

From: Walt Schlichting [mailto:wsch@tuscolacounty.org]

Sent: Wednesday, July 31, 2013 10:39 AM

To: Ten Broeke, Kyle (Treasury)

Cc: mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org; 'Jodi Essenmacher'

Subject: Huron and Tuscola County Equalization Director Waiver for 2014

Kyle,

At the direction of the Boards of Commissioners of Huron and Tuscola County, I am submitting waiver applications so the counties can continue to share and Equalization Director in 2014.

Please let me know that you have received this submission.

The commissioners would also appreciate knowing when the waiver request will be considered by the State Tax Commission.

Thank you for your assistance.

Walt Schlichting Equalization Director 989-672-3833



From: Mike Hoagland [mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org]

**Sent:** Friday, August 02, 2013 7:52 AM

To: 'Bill Horton'
Subject: RE: McKesson

Bill

You may handle the accounting as you explained below.......

Thank you for your work on the class action law suit.......

#### Mike

Michael R. Hoagland Tuscola County/Controller Administrator 125 W. Lincoln Caro, Ml. 48723 989-672-3700 mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org

From: Bill Horton [mailto:bhorton@gmhlaw.com] Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2013 4:40 PM

To: mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org

Subject: FW: McKesson

Mike,

See emails below. We were able to recover \$9,243 for the County. Can I deposit the check in my client trust account, deduct the 10% and send you a check for the balance? We will, of course, also send you a copy of the original check showing the gross amount.

From: Mari Young [mailto:mari@tuscolacounty.org]

Sent: Monday, January 30, 2012 3:47 PM

To: Bill Horton

Subject: RE: McKesson

Bill - Please file on behalf of Tuscola County for this McKesson class action.

Thanks, Mari Young Tuscola County Fiscal Analyst

From: Bill Horton [mailto:bhorton@gmhlaw.com]

Sent: Saturday, January 28, 2012 3:10 PM

**To:** <u>mari@tuscolacounty.org</u> **Cc:** <u>JThompson@sommerspc.com</u>

Subject: McKesson

Mari,

I apologize in advance for writing to you over the weekend, but this is time sensitive. An attorney friend of mine who is involved in many national class actions asked me late last week if perhaps I might know of any governmental entities who were self-insured for their health care!

Here's the short version: the largest distributor of prescription drugs in the country, McKesson, got caught putting its thumb on the scale to the tune of 5% as the products passed through their system (sound familiar?). They got caught. There is a national class action and there will be a settlement. You are eligible to file a claim. But the last day to file a claim is Tuesday (Jan. 31)! Can we file a claim on behalf of Tuscola County?

Here are the particulars: We only need your ok by email to do so. We will file it. Later, we will obtain your claims data so we can ID the details to compile the amount of the claim (which we will get from the Blues). We will verify any computation of your settlement amount, etc. against the court orders and the settlement pot. No risk to you; we will handle for 10% of the recovery.

Let me know ASAP if you want to file. I've cc'd my colleague, Jason Thompson, on this email. If you want to go forward, we will file it immediately and follow up with more info later this week. Thanks

#### **Bill Horton**

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August 1, 2013

Dear County Commissioners,

The Board of Directors of Tuscola County Farm Bureau cordially invites you to attend the 2013 Tuscola County Annual Meeting on Thursday, August 22, 2013 at the Zwerk & Sons Farms, located at 7647 W. Sanilac Rd, Vassar.

We will begin the evening with registration and "Taste of Tuscola" at 5:00 p.m., Dinner at 6:30 p.m. The business meeting will follow dinner this will include Policy Development, Election of Directors, and the award recognition.

The "Taste of Tuscola" event will have vendors & growers from Tuscola County. You will have the opportunity to see and sample what's produced right here in Tuscola County.

We ask that you call the Tuscola County Farm Bureau office at 989-673-4157 or email <u>dfoley@ctyfb.com</u> with your reservation by <u>Friday</u>, <u>August 16</u>, 2013.

This year we are collecting your home grown garden produce and/or Michigan food items in exchange for your ticket cost. (Cash is also welcome). All collections will be donated locally within Tuscola County.

We look forward to seeing you at our County Annual Meeting. The attire for the evening will be business causal.

Sincerely,

Nathan Rupprecht

Nathan Rupprecht, President