

**TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING AGENDA**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2012 – 8:30 A.M.

**H. H. PURDY BUILDING BOARD ROOM
125 W. Lincoln Street
Caro, MI**

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- 8:30 A.M. Call to Order – Chairperson Bardwell
Prayer – Commissioner Peterson
Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Petzold
Roll Call – Clerk White
Adoption of Agenda
Action on Previous Meeting Minutes (See Correspondence #1)
Brief Public Comment Period
Consent Agenda Resolution (None)
New Business
- SCMCCI Soil Erosion Fee Schedule (See Correspondence #2)
 - Dental Clinic Update (See Correspondence #3)
 - Report of County Activities and Projects (See Correspondence #4)
 - State Revenue Sharing County Incentive Program Compliance –
Citizens Guide and Dashboard
 - 2013 County Budget Development
 - Advertise for Boards and Commissions Vacancies
 - Cancel Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting 11/15/12
 - Requests to Use Courthouse Lawn (See Correspondence #5 & 6)
 - 2012 General Fund Appropriation Changes (See Correspondence
#7)
 - MMRMA Board Appointments (See Correspondence #8)
 - Letters of Resignation–Sheriff Dept. (See Correspondence #9 & 10)
 - Letter of Retirement–Prosecutor’s Office (See Correspondence #11)
 - 2012 Budget Amendments
 - County Apportionment Report
- Old Business
Correspondence/Resolutions

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

BARDWELL

Caro DDA

Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

Economic Development Corporation

MAC Economic Development/Taxation

MAC 7TH District
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
Michigan Association of Counties – Board of Directors
NACo
NACo Agricultural Committee
NACo Rural Action Caucus

KERN

Thumb Area Consortium/Michigan Works
Human Development Commission
Health Board
Senior Services Advisory
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
Community Corrections Advisory Board
Behavioral Health Board
DHS/Medical Care Facility Liaison
Tuscola 2020

PETZOLD

Recycling Advisory
Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Technical Advisory Committee
Thumb Area Consortium/Michigan Works
Multi-County Solid Waste
TRIAD
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
Road Commission
Health Board

PETERSON

Human Development Commission
MEMS
Michigan Association of Counties – Aging Work Group
Michigan Association of Counties – Environmental
LEPC
NACo
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
Parks & Recreation
Dispatch Authority Board
County Planning Commission

ALLEN

Board of Public Works
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
Human Services Coordinating Council
Great Start Collaborative – Tuscola County
Parks & Recreation

Closed Session (If Necessary)

Other Business as Necessary

Extended Public Comment

Adjournment

Note: 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.

CORRESPONDENCE

- #1 October 22, 2012 Full Board Minutes
- #2 SCMCCI Soil Erosion Fee Schedule
- #3 Dental Clinic Update
- #4 Report of County Activities and Projects
- #5 Request to Use Courthouse Lawn – Right to Life
- #6 Request to Use Courthouse Lawn – Caro Women's Interfaith Committee for Christmas
- #7 2012 General Fund Appropriation Changes
- #8 MMRMA Board Appointments
- #9 Letter of Resignation – Sheriff Dept.
- #10 Letter of Resignation – Sheriff Dept.
- #11 Letter of Retirement – Prosecutor's Office
- #12 MAC – 2012 Legislative Priorities
- #13 October 11, 2012 Road Commission Minutes
- #14 State of Michigan – Grant Assistance Program Grants
- #15 October 2012 Tuscola County Health Department
- #16 Transfer Tax Issues Class Action Suit
- #17 Bay County Resolution Regarding St. Clair River

DRAFT
TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
 October 22, 2012 Minutes
 H. H. Purdy Building

Chairman Thomas 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 22nd day of October, 2012 to order at 8:32 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer by Commissioner Bardwell

Pledge by Commissioner Allen

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: District #1 Roger Allen, District #2 Thomas Bardwell, District #3 Tom Kern, District #4 Roy Petzold, District #5 Gerald Peterson

12-M-204

Motion by Peterson seconded by Petzold to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

12-M-205

Motion by Allen seconded by Peterson to approve the minutes of the 10/9/2012 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Brief Public Comment – none

12-M-206

Motion by Kern seconded by Allen that the following Consent Agenda Resolution be adopted:

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Reference:	A
Entity Proposing:	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/11/12
Description of Matter:	Move that the county hiring freeze be lifted and concur with the hiring of Christopher Whetstone as a Certified Road Patrol Deputy effective October 9, 2012 at the step 1 rate of pay (satisfactory background check and physical have been completed.)

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that any motion, resolution, or other act of Tuscola County inconsistent with this Resolution is hereby rescinded, modified, replaced or superseded by this Resolution.

YEAS: all

NAYS: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

EDC Executive Director Steve Erickson appeared to present a list of potential new members for approval.

12-M-207

Move that per the recommendation of the Tuscola County Economic Development Corporation, the following individuals be appointed to the EDC:

David Tatow (Village of Reese) - term ending 2018 (replaces Myron Ortner)
Karen Easterling (Baker College) - term ending 2018 (replaces Margie White)
Adam Barden (Vassar Hardware) - term ending 2018 (new)
Joe Green (City of Caro) – term ending 2018 (new). Motion carried.

Undersheriff Glen Skrent appeared regarding a broken metal detector.

12-M-208

Motion by Allen seconded by Kern to replace the malfunctioning security scanner used at the Courthouse for an amount of \$3,675. Also, because this is a public safety issue, county purchasing policies are waived in the interest of time and the scanner be purchased from the vendor from which the current scanner was purchased. Also, all appropriate budget amendments are authorized. Motion carried.

Public Hearing – Michigan Community Development Block Grant Application – Wendy Falls with Human Development Commission

12-M-209

Motion by Peterson seconded by Kern to approve application for a 2012 to 2014 Community Development Block Grant, a housing rehabilitation grant to be administered by the Human Development Commission, and authorize the Chairperson to sign all appropriate documents involving this grant application. Roll call: Peterson, yes; Bardwell, yes; Allen, yes; Kern, yes; Petzold, yes. Motion carried.

12-M-210

Motion by Kern seconded by Peterson to approve the resolution to finance \$4,600,000 using "Revenue Bonds" (secured solely by Medical Care Facility revenue) for the construction and equipping of "Small House" facilities for resident use. Also, Robert W. Baird & Company serve as financial consultant and Axe & Eckland serve as bond counsel. Additionally, other required steps explained in the resolution are authorized to be undertaken. Roll call: Kern, yes; Petzold, yes; Peterson, yes; Bardwell, yes; Allen, yes. Motion carried.

12-M-211

Motion by Kern seconded by Peterson that the lease of county property for crop farming purposes be awarded to Schriber Farms for the following amount per acre: 2013, \$217 per acre; 2014, \$217 and 2015, \$217. Motion carried.

12-M-212

Motion by Kern seconded by Allen to approve the intergovernmental agreement with Sanilac, Gratiot, Huron and Mason Counties to share legal expenses related to litigation of an appeal from a decision of the State Tax Commission pertaining to a new trending/multiplier schedule which results in substantial loss of revenue to all entities entitled to wind generator project revenue. Approval is provided with the understanding that Tuscola County has modified the original agreement limiting the county legal obligation to \$15,000 and eliminating the provision that a vote of the other counties is required for Tuscola to terminate the agreement. Also, the Chairperson is authorized to execute the revised Intergovernmental Agreement. Motion carried.

12-M-213

Motion by Allen seconded by Peterson that January 2, 2013 at 8:30 a.m., be established as the Board Organizational meeting date. Motion carried.

12-M-214

Motion by Kern seconded by Peterson that communication be sent to state officials stressing the critical importance of replacing revenue loss and carving out wind energy revenue so it is protected if the state eliminates the Personal Property Tax. Without full secure replacement of this revenue source the county will not be able to maintain state mandated services at current levels. Motion carried.

12-M-215

Motion by Allen seconded by Peterson to appoint Sam Moore to the County Parks and Recreation Commission effective immediately. Motion carried.

12-M-216

Motion by Kern seconded by Allen that per the recommendation of the county attorney and insurance company, an agreement required by Thumb Cellular indemnifying them from risk involved in transferring county computer equipment from the old to the new Thumb Cellular tower located on county property leased by Thumb Cellular not be signed. Instead, the county notify Thumb Cellular that they are going to directly retain the services of Thumb Radio to move the equipment and will forward the invoice for such services to Thumb Cellular pursuant to the agreement between the parties. Motion carried.

12-M-217

Motion by Kern seconded by Allen that per the recommendation of Bill Horton (Giamarco, Mullins & Horton), authorization is given to file an appeal appealing the Genesee County Court decision regarding the lawsuit filed against BC/BS concerning non-disclosure of "Access Fees". Motion carried.

12-M-218

Motion by Peterson seconded by Petzold to approve the Chairperson to sign the court cost allocation plan certification form. Motion carried.

12-M-219

Motion by Peterson seconded by Allen that the 2013 First Draft County Budget be sent to department officials for review and comment. Also, department comments and request for change be submitted to the Controller/Administrator in writing for discussion at the November 13, 2012 Board of Commissioners' meeting. Motion carried.

10:25 a.m. – recess

10:40 a.m. – meeting reconvened

12-M-220

Motion by Peterson seconded Allen by to go into closed session to discuss labor negotiations. Roll call: Peterson, yes; Bardwell, yes; Allen, yes; Kern, yes; Petzold, yes. Motion carried.

12-M-221

Motion by Allen seconded by Kern to come out of closed session. Motion carried.

12-M-222

Motion by Allen seconded by Kern, be it resolved that based on the correspondence of union representatives for POAM 911 Dispatchers, POAM Corrections Officers, POAM Sheriff Deputies and POLC Command Officers that their respective bargaining units agree to a one-year contract extension, Tuscola County does hereby accept and agree that the current labor contracts with the aforementioned unions and bargaining units set to expire at the end of the day on

December 31, 2012 be and are hereby extended through December 31, 2013 without any changes. Motion carried.

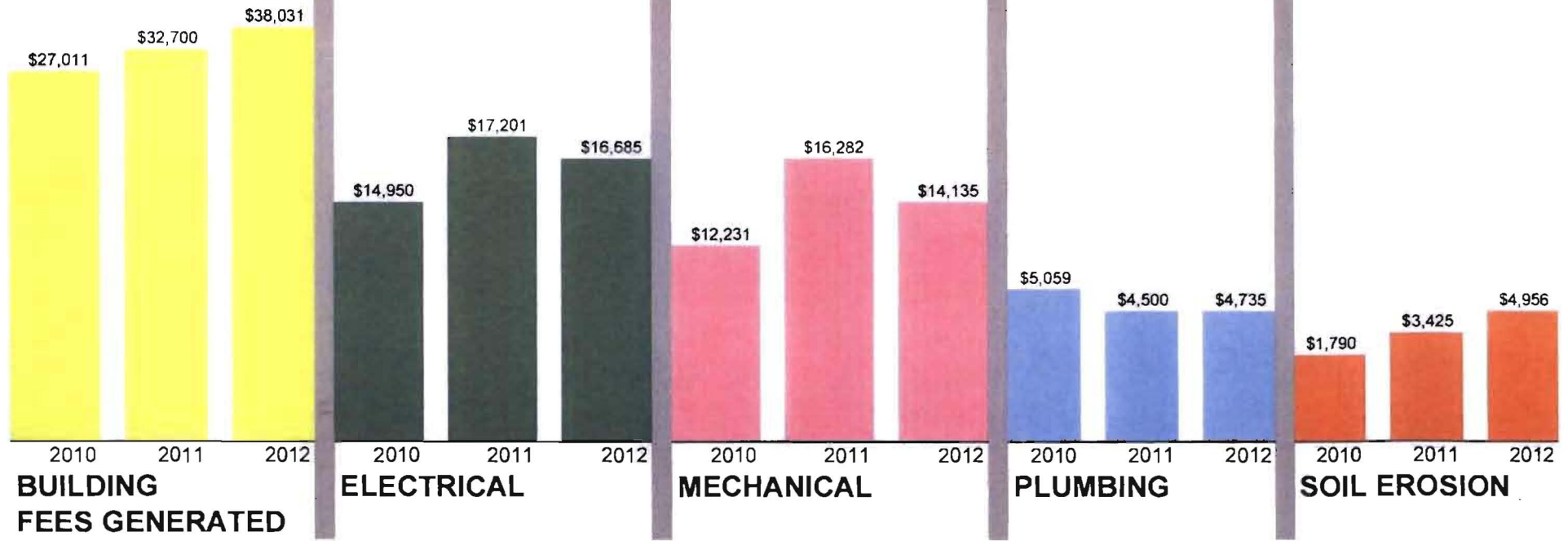
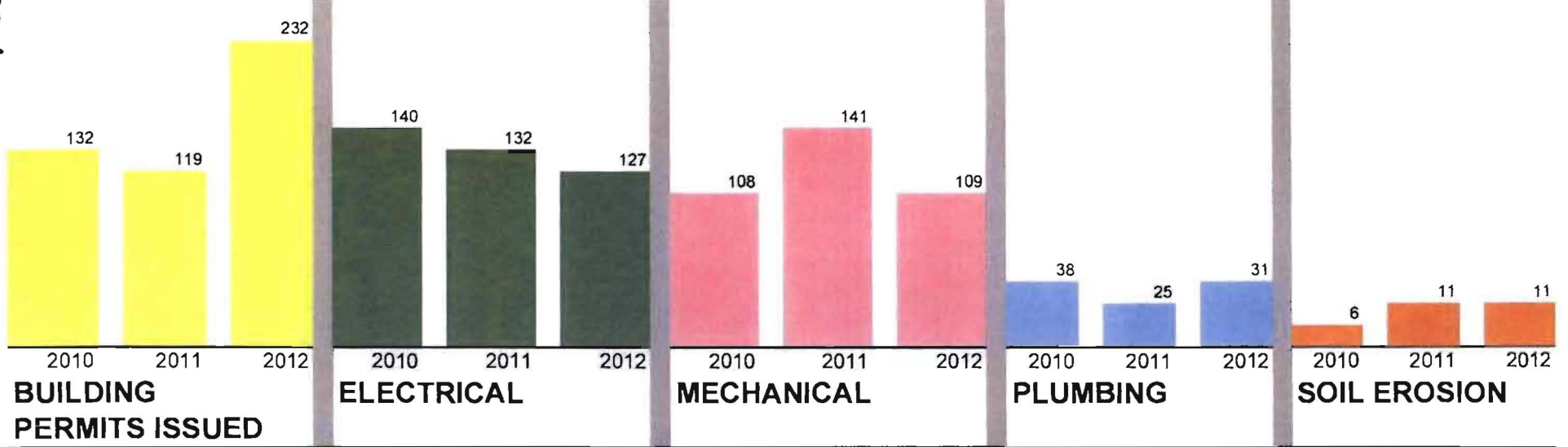
Extended Public Comment - none

Meeting adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

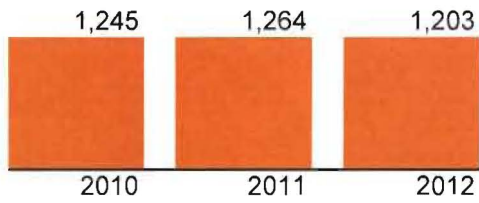
Margie A. White
Tuscola County Clerk

PERMITS ISSUED JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, 2010, 2011, 2012

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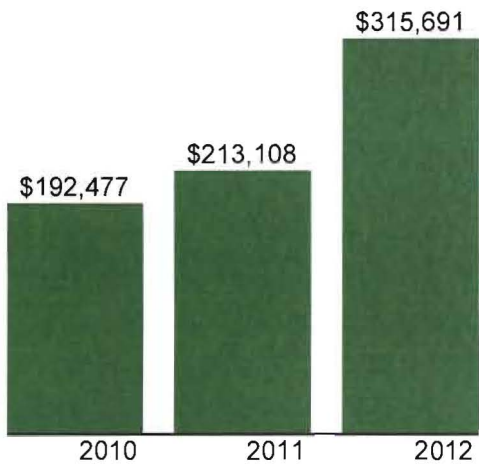


PERMITS ISSUED JANUARY 1 - OCTOBER 31, 2010, 2011, 2012



ALL PERMITS ISSUED

(INCLUDES BUILDING, DEMOLITION, ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL, PLUMBING & SOIL EROSION)



TOTAL FEES GENERATED

(INCLUDES BUILDING, DEMOLITION, ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL, PLUMBING & SOIL EROSION)

SCMCCI
South Central Michigan Construction Code Inspection, Inc.

Resolution #02-2012

Resolution for Soil Erosion
Fee Schedule

Be it resolved, effective _____ soil erosion inspection rates shall match the fee structure set forth by the Board of Directors of SCMCCI and hence forth will coincide with that fee structure and any changes thereto.

The above resolution was by Motion by Roger Krontz and supported by
Robert Butz and adopted on this day, September 26, 2012.

Dannie Bloom
Dannie Bloom, Chairperson

SCMCCI
SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL FEE SCHEDULE

RESIDENTIAL:

ONE AND TWO FAMILY DWELLINGS:

This includes three (3) inspections:

\$270.00 2 YEAR PERMIT

1. Initial
2. Progress
3. Final

ACCESSORY STRUCTURES:

This includes two (2) inspections

\$180.00 1 YEAR PERMIT

1. Initial
2. Final

SINGLE INSPECTION PERMITS:

\$90.00 1 YEAR PERMIT

ADDITIONAL INSPECTIONS DUE TO VIOLATIONS:

\$90.00

This is a per inspection fee until violations are corrected.

ADMINISTRATIVE FEES:

\$90.00

This fee for Red Tag, Stop Work Orders and Working w/out permits violations.

COMMERCIAL:

\$180.00 X NUMBER OF MONTHS OF CONSTRUCTION TIME

This fee is based on two (2) inspections per month, one (1) regular and one (1) storm event.

ACTIVE GRAVEL/SNAD PIT OR PEAT OPERATIONS:

\$270.00 **NO SURETY BOND REQUIRED**

3 Inspections per year plus \$90.00 Administrative Fee

ADDITIONAL STORM EVENT INSPECTIONS:

\$90.00

ADDITIONAL INSPECTIONS DUE TO VIOLATIONS:

\$90.00

This is a per inspection fee until violations are corrected.

ADMINISTRATIVE FEES:

\$90.00

This fee for Red Tag, Stop Work Orders and Working w/out permits violations.

PLAN REVIEW FEES: (RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL)

\$50.00/HOUR

Plan reviews are charged in one (1) hour units with a one (1) hour minimum

FEES EFFECTIVE _____

REVISED _____



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TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Part 91, Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (Part 91) was passed by the state legislature, this law and all rules promulgated under this law are incorporated by reference in this resolution, and

WHEREAS, Part 91 requires that the County Board of Commissioners designate a county agency, or conservation district upon the concurrence of the conservation district, as the county enforcing agency responsible for administering and enforcing Part 91 and the rules promulgated under Part 91.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tuscola County Building Department, is hereby designated the Tuscola County Enforcing Agency responsible for administering and enforcing Part 91 and the rules promulgated under Part 91.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that SCMCCI's October 1, 2002 "Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Fee Schedule and policy on "Commercial Surety Bonds" are approved and authorized for implementation within Tuscola County.

I, Margie White-Cormier, Clerk of the County of Tuscola, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by a unanimous vote of the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners present on June 24, 2003.

Margie White-Cormier
Margie White-Cormier
Tuscola County Clerk

Thumb Area Dental Clinic Update 11-5-12

The following is a general update of the progress we are making in continual work, and meetings with the local Dentists and Health Departments.

- We have received the numbers of projected patients from health departments, to help sizing the office along with a Medicaid reimbursement schedule.
- Licensing has been determined
- Policy creation is in process
- Policies being entered into bylaws
- 501c3 paperwork COMPLETE
- Incorporation DONE
- Discussions with Medicaid 10-9-12 in a group conference call
- Received paperwork REVIEWED
- Researching Medicaid reimbursement schedule
- Defining building ownership DONE
- Staffing Committee in place DONE

Topic areas we are stressing in upcoming weeks to get completed

- Operations
 - Staffing numbers DONE
 - Board elected DONE
 - Billing process system being arranged
- Ownership
 - Entity type started DONE
 - Costs – budgets committee started
 - Pinning down location buildings being looked at
- Funding the process

- Basic funds STARTED
- Building design committee in place
- Grants paperwork received
- Expected patients
 - Areas and types DONE
 - Projections DONE

TUSCOLA COUNTY CONTROLLER/ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

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To: Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

From: Controller Administrator

Date: November 9, 2012

RE: Report of County Activities



Report of County Activities and Projects (As of November 9, 2012)

The following is a brief overview of various county activities and their status as of November 9, 2012. It is intended to be a brief overview of primary projects and activities involving Tuscola County government. The objective is to assist commissioners and others by providing project status updates.

1. **2013 1st Draft County Budget** – The 2013 draft county budget preserves current staffing levels, does not provide wage increases but pays for employee health and retirement system cost increases. The most significant factor impacting the budget is the availability of wind energy revenue for the general fund in 2013. Some of the appropriation reductions required in 2012 have been restored in the 2013 budget. The draft budget was approved by the Board of Commissioners (BOC) to be sent to departments for review and comment. Department requests for budget changes will be reviewed at the November 14, 2012 BOC meeting. A public hearing will then be scheduled for the November 29, 2012 BOC meeting to receive input. Further changes to the budget can be made after the public hearing. The budget can also be adopted after the public hearing or at a subsequent BOC meeting. By law, it has to be adopted before the end of the calendar fiscal year.

2. **Citizens Financial Guide and Performance Dashboard** – County financial transparency and accountability information is required to be summarized on the county website in order to qualify for portions of state revenue sharing payments. Staff submitted the state required Citizens Guide, Performance Dashboard and Projected Budget to gain compliance with some of the new state requirements. The State has approved the information submitted which is now posted on the county website and available in the County Clerk and County Controller Offices for public use. Staff has started to work on the next state requirement which is an explanation of past service consolidations along with new planned service consolidations. Information regarding service consolidations is due to the state by February 1, 2013. The final requirement involves employee compensation which has to be completed by June 1, 2013.

3. **Wind Energy Revenue** – The BOC recently approved an agreement with other counties to pay legal costs to appeal the State Tax Commission (STC) decision to change the multiplier trending schedule that reduces county/local revenue from wind projects by an estimated 27%. Tuscola County's share of legal costs is capped at \$15,000. The STC unilateral decision will result in millions of dollars in reduced revenue to county/local governments. The counties may finance an independent study to determine how wind generators should be fairly assessed. The objective is to work with utility companies to ask the STC to change the new STC multiplier schedule to assess wind generators based on a study that justifies the method of assessing and taxation. Information was recently provided to Fairgrove Township officials to determine if they want to join the effort to reverse the STC decision. Passage of Proposal 3 on the November 6 ballot will further impact Tuscola and other counties with wind generation capabilities.

4. **Labor Negotiations** – The BOC and unions agreed to a one-year contract extension with POAM 911 Dispatchers, POAM Sheriff Deputies, POAM Correction Officers and POLC Command Officers. The BOC has agreed to pay the cost increases for health insurance and retirement for this one-year period of time. Contracts still being negotiated include AFSCME courthouse employees and AFSCME deputies. Commissioner Representatives on the Board of Health are going to discuss 2013 wages/fringe benefits with health department employees in the near future.

5. **Medical Care Facility (MCF) "Small House Project"** – This MCF housing project is planned for construction in the spring of 2013 on property purchased from Davenport University. These housing units are designed for 24/7 care while also providing patients with separate bedrooms and independent living. Two units are being planned with 10 beds in each housing unit. Total project cost is estimated at \$7 million with \$4.6 to be financed and 2.4 million using MCF reserves. The county bond attorney recommended that bonds be paid through a dedicated millage or through the use of revenue bonds. The full faith and credit of the general fund is not used when revenue bonds are issued. Financing using revenue bonds requires the MCF Board to adjust and to correct any funding difficulties if they occur in the future. Financial consultants for the project are Baird and Company. Steps to issue the bonds are underway. Procedures to gain final state approval for the project are also being undertaken. It is important that the Commissioner liaison to the MCF monitor the status of this project and provide status reports to the BOC as this project moves forward.

6. **Federal Prisoner Rape Elimination Act** – The Sheriff Department requested and the BOC approved funding for the purchase of indoor and outdoor security cameras to gain compliance with the Federal Prisoner Rape Elimination Act. This purchase was made to comply with the new federal mandate. Cost of the camera system was \$55,415. The low bid was received from Mid-State. Up to one-half of the cost may be received from the county insurance carrier through a grant. The Sheriff will not initiate the project until grant funding is approved. It is anticipated that the project will be completed before the end of the year.

7. **Big Brother/Big Sister (BB/BS) Lease Cancellation** – When the BB/BS operation discontinued, the County was fortunate to gain ownership of the former BB/BS Pole Building

at no cost to the county. The cancellation of a lease for the building which was located on county property turned ownership of the building over to the county. This pole building is being used for storage for remonumentation, buildings and grounds and the Sheriff Department. The ability to use this building has enabled storage space lease costs paid by both the Sheriff and the remonumentation program to be eliminated resulting in county savings.

- 8. Staffing Turnover** – The County has experienced turnover of several key positions in 2012. Dawn Bowden was hired in June to replace the former Human Resource Director. Pat Finn who was the long term Emergency Services Director retired in August and was replaced by Steve Anderson. With the retirement of Richard Hofmeister who was the Sheriff Department Information Technology (IT) staff member the county chose to provide this service by expanding the computer services contract with Zimco. Steve Erickson was hired to replace the former Economic Development Corporation Director. The Chief Judge is in the process of refilling the vacant Deputy Court Administrator/Circuit Court Law Clerk position. Other recent staff turnovers include several deputy sheriff positions, Circuit Court secretary position and the Investigator in the Prosecutor's office. In addition, there will be several newly elected officials beginning in 2013.
- 9. Retirement System Funding** – Staff recently received the 2011 County Actuarial Report from the Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS). The report provides information that determines 2013 county payment requirements for each of the 16 separate Tuscola County divisions in MERS. Total assets for all divisions are over \$24 million as of 12/31/11. Total unfunded accrued liability for all divisions as of 12/31/11 is an estimated \$3.6 million dollars. MERS does not require this total liability to be funded at 100%. The funding percentage for these divisions varies from 98.9% to 54.8% for major divisions. The required contribution for all 16 divisions for 2013 is approximately \$504,000. These costs have been incorporated into the 2013 county budget. It is important to note that the county does not provide health insurance upon retirement, resulting in overall low county legacy costs.
- 10. Housing Grant Application** – For approximately 20 years, low and moderate income residents of the county have benefited from a Michigan State Housing Development Authority Community Development Block Grant for housing rehabilitation. Grant funds have been used for housing rehabilitation and repairs. The county has received an estimated \$125,000 per year. At a recent BOC meeting, application for a two year grant of \$250,000 was approved. The County contracts with the Human Development Commission for grant administration. The County will know before the end of 2012 whether the 2013-2014 grant is approved.
- 11. Jail Overcrowding** – The County continues to grapple with more prisoners than available jail beds to house these prisoners. This situation forces prisoners to be housed in other county jails. For several years, costs to house prisoners in other counties were contained, but for 2012 costs have begun to increase again. The county was recently able to add 6 more beds at the jail without cost because of changes by the state in prisoner housing regulations. The 2013 budget includes approximately \$88,000 to make shower and other changes to the C-Wing of the jail which enables adding 5 more jail beds. The sheriff has sent

a letter to the union asking if this change can be made without increasing the number of current corrections officers. The union has not responded, so it is assumed that the 5 beds can be added without increasing corrections officers. Even with these additional beds, prisoner overcrowding is projected to continue into future years.

12. Irrigation and Residential Water Wells – During the summer of 2012, many residential wells dried up in the Gagetown area due to a variety of factors. These factors included well age and depth (including aquifer type), proximity of irrigation wells, and drought conditions. Meetings were held with area farmers, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, legislators, and county officials regarding the issue. Community Forums were also held with residents impacted by the lack of water. Senate Bill 1008 was drafted to aid residents in dealing with this issue through a formal process overseen by the Michigan Department of Environmental Health. This bill has not yet passed. The local farmers have also agreed to conduct an aquifer study by an independent company to show the areas impacted by their irrigation wells. If next summer has similar drought conditions, the issue could resurface.

13. Michigan Community Dental Clinics – In June of 2012, the Michigan Community Dental Clinics (MCDC) held meetings with Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola County officials to discuss the possibility of establishing a program in the Thumb to provide adult dental care for Medicaid recipients and low income uninsured people. Local dentists expressed a desire to investigate the possibility of starting their own program to serve the Thumb. The Tuscola BOC agreed to delay any action to start a program with MCDC until the dentists in the Thumb complete their study. The public sector objectives are to minimize risk and cost while providing for the needed dental service. Mr. Jim Rutkowski is a consultant hired by the local dentists to assist in studying the potential of establishing a local program. The Tuscola BOC formed a committee to work with the dentists to determine the feasibility of a local program. The study is anticipated to be completed in early 2013.

14. MAC Legislative Priorities – One of the significant concerns of MAC is elimination of the Personal Property Tax (PPT) without full guaranteed replacement revenue. There is also concern that elimination of the industrial portion of the PPT may be on the agenda with the current lame duck sessions. Other statewide priorities of MAC include: PILT, state revenue sharing, court funding, unfunded mandates. A complete list of 2012 MAC Legislative Priorities has been provided in a separate document.

15. Infrastructure Work – The Controller's office continues to assist many local units of government with the administrative functions involved with funds borrowed for sewer and water projects. Current sewer and water projects include: City of Caro, Village of Mayville, Richville, Village of Millington and Denmark, Wisner and Wisner Townships. Also, the county is retiring bonds for the State Police Post and the purchase of the Purdy Building along with the Medical Care Facility upgrade. The Denmark Township water project has been controversial with some residents expressing objections to the project. Approximately \$400,000 in engineering and related costs has occurred. Assessments in the water district have been determined. A law suit has been filed by residents in Denmark Township related

to this project. The County Drain Commissioner oversees approximately 550 drains in the county. The County is responsible for a portion of drainage projects which increased from \$416,000 in 2012 to \$446,000 for 2013.

16. County Building and Grounds Projects – Several important projects have been completed by the Buildings and Grounds Department in 2012 including new roofs at the Courthouse and Jail. Work in District Court includes: painting along with remodeling of the judicial office and bathroom. Remodeling work for the Courthouse basement was not completed because it was determined that remodeling this area for Probate Court juvenile activities was not viable at this time. Jail window replacement work has been postponed until 2013 to seek a vendor who can do the specialized window replacement required. County property was bid under a lease to continue using the property for farming purposes. By going through the bidding process, the annual rent received for the property was more than doubled to approximately \$14,000 per year. The county is working to capitalize on savings by contracting with a company called Xoom to reduce natural gas costs. Major projects planned for 2013 include: Health Department parking lot replacement and jail changes to provide for 5 additional beds.

17. Central Dispatch Motorola Radio Project – Central Dispatch has recently completed the installation and implementation of a new radio system. This system replaces the County owned EF Johnson radio system that was installed in 1996. The EF Johnson radios and infrastructure were no longer repairable. EF Johnson no longer made replacement parts for the end user radios or the infrastructure. Sprint/Nextel acquired public safety frequencies throughout the US which included Tuscola County. Because of this, Sprint/Nextel was obligated to replace 367 mobile and portable radios. Tuscola County used this opportunity to move away from EF Johnson and move to the state radio system and Motorola radios. This left Tuscola County having to purchase 3 Dispatch radio consoles and two repeaters on the state radio site on M-46. The cost to the county was approx \$1.6 million. The remaining balance to be paid off over the next two years is \$472,000. All of the end user radios and installation was paid for by Sprint/Nextel as per their agreement with the FCC in obtaining some of the Public Safety radio frequencies

18. Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG911) – The demands of the public are moving 9-1-1 toward the ability of dispatch centers to receive text messages, photos and streaming video. In order to meet these requirements, dispatch centers throughout the US will need to upgrade their existing land line 911 trunked telephone systems. Dispatch centers will need to move to an IP (internet protocol) based phone systems. This type of phone system will enable dispatch centers to receive text messages, photos and videos. Tuscola County Central Dispatch has already upgraded our recording system to handle texts, photos and videos.

19. Joint Huron/Tuscola Equalization Director is in Jeopardy – Several years ago Tuscola and Huron Counties decided to consolidate services by having a joint Equalization Director to serve both counties. The counties entered into an agreement whereby Huron County pays Tuscola County to provide Equalization Director services for Huron County. This service base consolidation is estimated to save the taxpayers of the counties \$35,000 to \$40,000 per

year. The STC has indicated that beginning in 2014 this arrangement cannot continue because the taxable value of the counties is too large. The counties are seeking help from our state representatives and will be appealing the STC decision.

20. Recycling – The recycling operation of Tuscola County continues to provide a valuable service to county residents. The Recycling Director and Building and Grounds Director are a joint position which reduces costs for both operations. Recycling has been in county operation for approximately 16 years. Funding is provided through a millage and sale of recycled materials. The price for recycled materials has recently declined. The volume of material recycled at the facility continues to increase. Recycling with financial assistance from Mosquito Abatement provides a highly successful tire recycling program by placing trailers in local communities for residents to recycle tires. Another beneficial program is recycling of household hazardous waste which is conducted using grant funds from the state. Inadequate storage space for recycled material remains an issue. Funding was provided to increase storage capabilities.

21. Mosquito Abatement – County residents support the county Mosquito Abatement program. This operation is financed by a special purpose millage. Mosquito Abatement has been in existence for approximately 16 years. This is a major county program with an annual budget of over \$900,000 to reduce mosquitoes in targeted areas of the county and to improve our quality of life. The operation is in the process of replacing original equipment including trucks and treatment equipment. One of the two co-directors may retire soon. Preliminary discussion is to move to one director and hire a new biologist. Other mosquito abatement activity planned for 2013 is renovation of certain office and other work areas for increased efficiency.

22. Caro Residential Re-Entry Facility – This facility has closed and no re-use for the facility has been determined. There was once discussion of re-use as a veteran's facility. Approximately 30 to 35 jobs have been lost to the local economy with the Department of Corrections decision to close the facility.

23. Some of the other recent county activities include:

- Downtown Development Authority/Tax Increment Financing (DDA/TIFA) changes whereby the BOC will discontinue capture of county tax base in the future portions of DDA/TIFA for which the county has control
- The Blue Cross/Blue Shield lawsuit regarding access fees was continued
- A new body transport contract with Emergency Medical Services and funeral directors was adopted
- County changed workers compensation coverage to the Michigan Association of Counties Service Corporation
- County signed a lease to allow Thumb Cellular to erect a new Cellular Telephone Tower

#5

Mike Hoagland

From: Ray Peasley [rayanddonella@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 24, 2012 12:13 PM

To: mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org

Subject: ! SPAM PHRASE ! SPAM U Jan. meeting

Board of Commissioners,

Tuscola County Right to Life would like to have its annual Memorial Service in front of the court house on Jan. 20th at 3:30 in the afternoon.

This event usually lasts about 30 minutes. This is a peaceful event to remember those of our county lost to abortion in 2012. Please let me know your decision on the matter.

Donella Peasley

President of Tuscola Co. RTL

November 6, 2012

Dear Commissioners,

The Caro Women's Interfaith Committee for Christmas request the use of the Courthouse lawn from Saturday November 24, 2012 thru January 5, 2013 to display their Nativity Scene.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marsha Perez
Chairman
989 613 2997

To: Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
From: Controller/Administrator
Date: November 12, 2012

#7

RE: Recommended 2012 General Fund Appropriation Changes

Overview

General Fund projections as of the end of October indicate that there may be enough flexibility in the 2012 budget to increase the general fund appropriations to the Department of Human Services (DHS) Child Care Fund, Probate Juvenile Child Care Fund and Health Department Fund. The initial 2012 General Fund appropriations to all three of these funds were significantly reduced from 2011 amounts. The major advantage of increasing appropriations in 2012 is it would help take some pressure off of the 2013 county budget by reducing the General Fund appropriation requirements in 2013.

DHS Child Care Fund (288)

On January 1, 2012 the DHS Child Care Fund had a fund balance of \$108,571. The 2012 budget was premised on expenditures exceeding revenues by \$54,000 resulting in the use of about half of the fund balance. Current projections indicate the revenue-expenditure gap may now be closer to \$70,000. Without adjustments there could be as little as \$38,000 in fund balance to start 2013.

For 2013 the budget is again premised on expenditures exceeding revenues by \$30,000 therefore a fund balance of only \$38,000 at the start of 2013 is not enough. It is recommended that the 2012 general fund appropriation to the DHS Child Care Fund be increased by **\$50,000** from \$127,000 to \$177,000. In theory, this change in 2012 would result in a year-end 2013 fund balance of approximately \$58,000. A reasonable fund balance should be kept in this fund because of the many expenditure factors that can change quickly. **(See Attachment A)**

Probate Juvenile Child Care Fund (292)

On January 1, 2012 the Probate Juvenile Child Care Fund had a fund balance of \$137,656. The 2012 budget was premised on expenditures exceeding revenues by \$42,000 which would have reduced fund balance to approximately \$95,000 by the end of 2012. Current projections indicate the revenue-expenditure gap may now be closer to \$76,000. Without adjustments there could be as little as \$61,000 in fund balance to start 2013.

For 2013 the budget is again premised on expenditures exceeding revenues by \$68,000 therefore a fund balance of only \$61,000 at the start of 2013 is not enough. It is recommended that the 2012 general fund appropriation to the Probate Juvenile Child Care Fund be increased by **\$75,000** from \$400,000 to \$475,000. In theory, this change in 2012 would result in a year-end 2013 fund balance of approximately \$68,000. A reasonable fund balance should be kept in this fund because of the many expenditure factors that can change quickly. **(See Attachment B)**

Health Department Fund (221)

On January 1, 2012 the Health Fund available balance was \$224,725. The 2012 budget was premised on expenditures exceeding revenues by approximately \$78,000 which would have reduced fund balance to approximately \$146,000 by the end of 2012. This is a major priority county service that cannot continue to use fund balance and maintain current service levels.

For 2013 the budget is again premised on expenditures exceeding revenues. It is recommended that the 2012 general fund appropriation to the Health Fund be increased by **\$17,000** from \$215,000 to \$232,000.

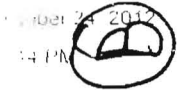
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Fund 288 CHILD CARE HUMAN SVCS
 Department 663 CONTROL

Tuscola County
 Period Ending Date: October 31 2012

Account	2010 Actual	2011 Actual	2012 Total Amended Budget	2012 Year-to-date Actual	2012 Projected Year End	2013 Requested	2013 Budget
Fund 288 CHILD CARE - HUMAN SVCS			BFB 108,571		108,571		88,811
Revenues							
663-561-000 STATE REIMBURSEMENT-CHILD CARE	120,286.90	135,652.47	181,000.00	92,902.34	195,000.00	205,830.00	205,830.00
663-611-000 DSS CLIENT PAYMENTS	56,416.22	59,407.27	55,000.00	21,271.34	55,000.00	55,000.00	55,000.00
663-699-101 OPERATING TRANSFER IN-GENERAL	87,500.00	149,000.00	<u>127,000.00</u>	127,000.00	<u>177,000.00</u>	205,830.00	<u>175,830.00</u>
Revenues Total	264,203.12	344,059.74	363,000.00	241,173.68	427,000.00	466,660.00	436,660.00
Expenses							
663-841-000 NON-SCHED FOSTER CARE PAY	66,225.95	55,000.57	70,000.00	46,724.28	54,660.00	54,660.00	54,660.00
663-842-000 SUPER FOSTER CARE PAY	171,200.51	149,325.34	208,500.00	102,702.11	193,500.00	207,000.00	207,000.00
663-843-000 PURCHASED INSTITUTIONAL CARE	62,438.98	116,438.29	123,600.00	127,154.86	193,600.00	190,000.00	190,000.00
663-845-000 INDEPENDENT LIVING SUPERVISED	0.00	7,107.03	15,000.00	1,772.19	5,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Expenses Total	299,865.44	327,871.23	417,100.00	278,353.44	446,760.00	466,660.00	466,660.00
	-35,662.32	16,188.51	-54,100.00	-37,179.76	-19,760.00	0.00	-30,000.00
Revenues Total	264,203.12	344,059.74	363,000.00	241,173.68	427,000.00	466,660.00	436,660.00
Expenses Fund Total	299,865.44	327,871.23	417,100.00	278,353.44	446,760.00	466,660.00	466,660.00
Net (Rev/Exp)	-35,662.32	16,188.51	-54,100.00	-37,179.76	-19,760.00	0.00	-30,000.00
Beginning/Adjusted Balance			EFB 54,471		88,811		58,811



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Fund 292 CHILD CARE
Department 662 PROBATE

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Tuscola County
Period Ending Date: October 31, 2012

Account	2010 Actual	2011 Actual	2012 Total Amended Budget	2012 Year-to-date Actual	2012 Projected Year End	2013 Requested	2013 Budget
Fund 292 CHILD CARE			BFD 137,656		137,656		136,468
Revenues							
662-542-000 JUVENILE OFFICER SALARY	0.00	40,510.95	27,317.00	13,658.52	27,317.00	27,317.00	27,317.00
662-562-000 CHARGEBACK FOR STATE WARDS - S1	286,239.24	180,439.40	261,000.00	55,252.03	163,500.00	163,500.00	163,500.00
662-563-000 BASIC GRANT - STATE	9,375.00	16,875.00	15,000.00	11,250.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
662-611-000 ADOPTION SUBSIDY	46,758.86	15,568.59	50,000.00	1,015.87	1,500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
662-611-001 COURT SOCIAL SECURITY	0.00	3,071.00	1,000.00	1,889.00	2,800.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
662-611-004 COUNTY WARD	0.00	5,884.04	3,000.00	11,777.95	14,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00
662-611-005 ADOPTION SUBSIDY COURT WARD	0.00	4,242.30	0.00	20.00	20.00	0.00	0.00
662-620-000 COLLECTION FEES FAMILY DIVISION	0.00	7,159.50	6,000.00	6,871.86	9,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
662-676-000 RECEIPTS FOR NON-REIMBURSABLE	1,756.00	847.00	1,000.00	342.50	100.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
662-677-000 IN HOME CARE REIMBURSEMENT	3,259.80	154.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
662-677-001 INTENSE PROBATION IHC	0.00	0.00	84,102.00	40,244.74	60,000.00	86,503.00	86,503.00
662-677-002 S.P. INC	0.00	0.00	12,161.00	3,436.17	5,000.00	11,759.00	11,759.00
662-677-003 JUVENILE ISD - INC	0.00	0.00	11,932.00	5,646.87	8,500.00	10,854.00	10,854.00
662-677-004 JUV COMP & CULTURE IHC	0.00	0.00	43,027.00	16,414.86	22,000.00	39,160.00	39,160.00
662-678-000 REIMB RURAL DETENTION SUPP SVCS	860.44	1,967.54	5,000.00	5,038.17	6,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
662-691-000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	0.00	0.00	0.00	163.83	150.00	0.00	0.00
662-699-101 TRANSFER IN - GENERAL FUND	470,000.00	492,932.00	400,000.00	400,000.00	475,000.00	550,000.00	475,000.00
Revenues Total	818,249.34	769,652.12	920,539.00	573,022.37	809,887.00	937,093.00	862,093.00
Expenses							
662-704-000 SALARIES PERMANENT	0.00	209,197.91	223,755.00	162,699.67	205,000.00	225,541.00	206,641.00
662-704-020 HEALTH INSURANCE INCENTIVE	76.92	1,923.00	2,000.00	1,615.32	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00

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Fund 292 CHILD CARE
Department 662 PROBATE

Tuscola County

Period Ending Date: October 31 2012

Account	2010 Actual	2011 Actual	2012 Total Amended Budget	2012 Year-to-date Actual	2012 Projected Year End	2013 Requested	2013 Budget
662-704-030 DISABILITY	0.00	2,772.25	3,073.00	2,387.89	3,073.00	3,097.00	2,837.00
662-704-040 UNUSED SICK PAYOUT	0.00	1,100.57	2,155.00	0.00	2,155.00	0.00	1,864.00
662-710-000 WORKERS COMPENSATION	0.00	1,053.17	1,140.00	743.67	1,140.00	1,138.00	1,053.00
662-711-000 HEALTH & DENTAL INSURANCE	0.00	57,581.42	55,557.00	37,138.87	50,000.00	59,756.00	52,656.00
662-715-000 FICA	5.88	16,184.09	17,435.00	12,558.52	17,435.00	17,407.00	16,104.00
662-717-000 LIFE INSURANCE	0.00	438.64	453.00	347.22	453.00	452.00	409.00
662-718-000 RETIREMENT	0.00	13,776.17	15,916.00	11,562.98	14,000.00	17,034.00	15,586.00
662-727-000 SUPPLIES, PRINTING & POSTAGE	0.00	808.90	1,200.00	829.73	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
662-801-000 PROF & CONT SERVICES (BASIC GRAN	9,375.00	20,625.00	15,000.00	9,375.00	14,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
662-801-001 PROFESSIONAL SVCS FINANCIAL CON	0.00	48,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	0.00	0.00
662-801-002 TRUENCY IN HOME	0.00	4,112.10	10,966.00	6,853.50	10,000.00	12,154.00	12,154.00
662-801-003 JC3 PROGRAM TEACHER/MENTOR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,200.00	4,200.00
662-809-000 MEMBERSHIPS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS	0.00	45.00	600.00	0.00	0.00	600.00	600.00
662-832-000 STATE WARD CHARGEBACKS	125,864.93	258,277.63	200,000.00	91,780.19	200,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00
662-841-000 COUNTY FOSTER CARE-PRIVATE AGEI	9,842.21	0.00	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
662-842-000 FOSTER CARE PAYMENT-PRIVATE	68,320.89	0.00	50,000.00	764.26	0.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
662-843-000 PRIVATE INSTITUTION	336,172.82	129,825.35	200,000.00	198,584.50	210,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00
662-843-001 WORK WEEKEND PROGRAM	0.00	796.50	20,000.00	2,116.50	3,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
662-844-000 OTHER COUNTY-DETENTION	37,453.48	33,473.03	40,000.00	22,950.00	27,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
662-845-000 INDEPENDENT LIVING	0.00	9,217.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
662-846-000 IN HOME CARE - INTENSIVE PROBATIC	87,778.81	7,847.31	0.00	2,319.00	3,500.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
662-846-001 IN HOME STOP DRUG TESTING	0.00	5,060.00	9,000.00	1,530.00	2,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00

2013 DEPARTMENT BUDGET WORKSHEET

Fund 292 CHILD CARE
 Department 662 PROBATE

Tuscola County
 Period Ending Date: October 31, 2012

Account	2010 Actual	2011 Actual	2012 Total Amended Budget	2012 Year-to-date Actual	2012 Projected Year End	2013 Requested	2013 Budget
662-846-002 IN HOME - STOP ASSESSMENT	0.00	0.00	4,000.00	480.00	1,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
662-846-003 IN HOME - STOP GROUP COUNSELIN	0.00	5,490.00	8,000.00	2,100.00	3,000.00	8,010.00	8,010.00
662-846-004 IN HOME - STOP THERAPY	0.00	1,250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
662-846-005 PSYCHOLOGICAL IHC	0.00	0.00	15,000.00	4,195.00	6,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
662-849-000 NON-REIMBURSEABLE BY CHILD CARE	5,523.90	885.80	5,000.00	4,737.50	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
662-850-000 RURAL DETENTION SUPPORT SERVICE	4,093.54	3,811.53	5,000.00	3,350.83	4,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
662-851-000 TELEPHONE	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	50.97	100.00	600.00	600.00
662-851-010 CELLULAR PHONE	0.00	217.67	600.00	155.10	200.00	0.00	0.00
662-861-000 TRAVEL	0.00	1,212.27	6,000.00	1,758.00	2,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
662-910-000 INSURANCE & BONDS	0.00	1,258.49	1,260.00	1,318.92	1,319.00	1,320.00	1,320.00
662-934-000 OFFICE EQUIPT REPAIR & MAINT	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
662-955-000 MISCELLANEOUS (MEALS, MILEAGE, E	36.47	107.82	1,000.00	1,065.79	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
662-957-000 EMPLOYEE TRAINING	0.00	910.36	1,000.00	0.00	500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
662-971-000 IMAGING/DATA WORKFLOW	0.00	31,077.69	20,000.00	7,393.80	12,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
662-982-000 BOOKS	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
Expenses Total	684,544.85	868,336.67	962,810.00	600,762.73	811,075.00	957,709.00	930,434.00
	133,704.49	-98,684.55	-42,271.00	-27,740.36	-1,188.00	-20,616.00	-68,341.00
Revenues Total	818,249.34	769,652.12	920,539.00	573,022.37	809,887.00	937,093.00	862,093.00
Expenses Fund Total	684,544.85	868,336.67	962,810.00	600,762.73	811,075.00	957,709.00	930,434.00
Net (Rev/Exp)	133,704.49	-98,684.55	-42,271.00	-27,740.36	-1,188.00	-20,616.00	-68,341.00

Beginning/Adjusted Balance

EFB 95,385

136,468

68,127



MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL
RISK MANAGEMENT
AUTHORITY

MEMORANDUM

To: Individual Member Representatives
From: Michael L. Rhyner
Executive Director
Date: November 1, 2012
Re: 2012 Board of Directors Election

Enclosed please find the following documents:

- Election Notice
- Candidate Profiles
- Official Ballot
- Self-addressed Envelope

Ballots must be received no later than December 7, 2012 to be valid. Late ballots will not be counted.

If you have any questions, please call me at 734-245-7730 or 800-243-1324.

Enclosure(s)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MICHAEL BOSANAC Chair Monroe County	MICHAEL DORNAN Vice Chair City of Wixom	KATHY REVELS Secretary City of Mason	RICHARD BURKE City of Ishpeming	DOUGLAS JOHNSON Otsego County	FABIAN KINZARUKY Mason County	TRESTJA FILCZOWSKI Charter Township of Highland	RICHARD REAUME Charter Township of Plymouth	JAMES SCHARRET City of Southfield	WILLIAM WILD City of Westland
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MICHAEL L. RHYNER, Executive Director

**ELECTION NOTICE – INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS
BALLOT FOR MMRMA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE

The Joint Powers Agreement and Board Election Policy state that the Board of Directors shall be elected by Member Representatives. Thus only the officially designated Member Representative is entitled to vote.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

A Nominating Committee appointed by the Board Chair requested that interested individuals apply for consideration as candidates for the expiring Board Seats. The Committee reviewed all applications and selected candidates to run for the four Individual Member Seats up for election this year.

The full Board of Directors consists of four designated positions and six at-large positions. Three of the designated positions are to be filled by either an elected official or appointed chief administrative officer representing a city, a county, and a township. The fourth designated position is the State Pool Representative, which is filled in a separate election for State Pool Members only.

The committee nominated two candidates for the expiring Individual Member At-Large Seats: Michael Bosanac, Monroe County, and James Scharret, City of Southfield. Fabian Knizacky, Mason County was nominated for the Individual Member Designated County Seat. Two candidates have been nominated for the Individual Member Designated City Seat, which is vacant. The two candidates for this seat are Bryan K. Barnett, City of Rochester Hills, and Curtis Holt, City of Wyoming.

TERMS

The Joint Powers Agreement provides for four-year staggered terms for Board Members. The successful candidates will begin their terms on January 1, 2013.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

The ballot for the election of Board Members is enclosed. The voting procedure is as follows: (1) Mark the ballot, place it in the enclosed envelope marked "Ballot Enclosed," and mail it. (2) If you lose the envelope and have to use another, it **MUST** be clearly marked "Ballot Enclosed" on the outside. Mail ballot to Election Committee, 14001 Merriman, Livonia, MI 48154.

**BALLOTS RECEIVED LATER THAN
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2012
WILL NOT BE COUNTED**

CANVASS

The Election Committee will open and count all valid ballots on Tuesday, December 11, 2012. The Election Committee will present a report to the Board of Directors. The Board will officially canvass the results at the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting in December 2012; candidates will be informed of the election results thereafter. New Board Members will assume office on January 1, 2013.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION 2012

Individual Member At-Large Seats



MICHAEL BOSANAC*
Monroe County

LETTERS TO YOU: The membership is a responsibility and commitment I take seriously. As you, the members are asked to entrust individuals to lead MMRMA. It is appropriate to outline my accomplishments, qualifications, and vision before asking for your continued support.

Accomplishments begin with the net asset policy and a record distribution this year. Following are new resources in member training and ongoing support. All of Combined with these activities comes are benefits from technology investments in our website, underwriting, claims, and finance systems to deliver timely and accurate content to you. Ensuring stable, cost-effective coverage for existing and new members is a new rating model with more equitable rates within standards set

members on top of net asset distribution.

Monroe County is a 27 year member, and I have led our efforts throughout this partnership while strengthening my commitment to the MMRMA mission by serving on advisory and board committees. Serving as our county's lead administrative officer, I have a keen sense of the role superior risk management programs and services play in our communities. These experiences and qualifications will continue to be used to help guide new MMRMA programs to meet the needs of a membership.

Cost-effective and innovative solutions from MMRMA for which success progress will continue realizing a vision of you as a community products will be a based services. Backed with professional and focused leveraging technology, helping members get the most from limited resources will keep MMRMA your most effective partner. My vision of the future is providing risk protection. My service to MMRMA is to ensure that we continue to be a leading provider of risk protection. My service to MMRMA is to ensure that we continue to be a leading provider of risk protection.

Michael Bosanac



JAMES SCHARRET*
City of Southfield

LETTERS TO YOU: Basic criteria that anyone seeking election to MMRMA's Board of Directors should bring to the table: a demonstrated commitment to the organization and its mission together with some reasonable evidence that you are an owner/manager capable person's decisions.

The last thing you need in these times of unprecedented economic challenge, affecting all facets of municipal leadership is to have the security about the soundness or integrity of your insurance provider. If you are seeking a strong leader, then I am your candidate. My goal is to make sure that MMRMA does not add one bit to your level of anxiety or your best problems back in the office.

My commitment will be to MMRMA to continue to

Designates an incumbent

contribute to your peace of mind so that you can fully concentrate on the core functions of local government in your community.

In my past service as an MMRMA Board Member, I have consistently supported MMRMA's loss prevention and training programs. These programs keep municipalities out of trouble and help keep management careers out of trouble's way.

As a person who has actually performed all of the risk management functions for a large organization, I understand your needs as a manager with multiple responsibilities at a time.

MMRMA should save you time services should continue to be streamlined, understand your needs, cost effective, and proactive/flexible in meeting changing needs. I am bringing the ability broad and deep risk designed and comprehensive coverage management Plan Program is a good thing.

Quality provided and principled employees like we have at MMRMA are also critical. These are the priorities and competencies that should guide your selection process as a Board member.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION 2012

Individual Member Designated County Seat



FABIAN L. KNIZACKY
Mason County

I AM SEEKING re-election to the Designated County Seat on the Board of Directors of Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA). I have enjoyed my tenure on the Board of Directors and am pleased with the progress we have made in updating our computer system, restructuring our rates, developing our employee succession plan, and the continued implementation of our net asset distribution policy.

MMRMA is nationally known as a leader in the governmental pooling industry. As a member of the Board of Directors, I support maintaining that leadership position and advocate for programs that would provide for additional value to our loyal membership.

Designates an incumbent at

The loyalty of our membership is one of the key strengths of our organization. MMRMA has earned that loyalty by providing excellent attention to the needs of its membership.

My work experience in county government and my previous involvement on MMRMA's Finance Committee make me uniquely qualified for a position on MMRMA's Board of Directors.

I have served as the Mason County Administrator since February 1, 1994. This position has allowed me to work with the County Board of Commissioners in the development of budgets, policy, and long-term strategic planning. My duties include the management of the property, liability, health, and worker's compensation insurances for the County.

I have been participating in MMRMA training events since 1994 and have been Mason County's Member Representative since January 1, 1997.

It is an honor to be nominated for this position. Thank you for the privilege of serving on the Board of Directors and for your consideration of my candidacy for re-election to MMRMA's Board of Directors.

MICHAEL BOSANAC,

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commitment in always being prepared, having never missed a meeting to represent you, and helping lead the organization forward.

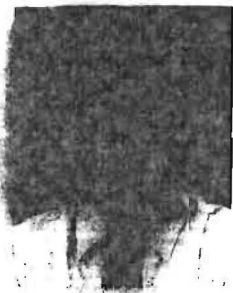
Working with the Board and staff, we have assembled an impressive list of achievements for the members. I am appreciative of your past support, have worked hard to maintain your trust and ask for your vote to continue my efforts on behalf of the membership.



**MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL
RISK MANAGEMENT
AUTHORITY**

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Individual Member Designated City Seat



BRYAN K. BARNETT
City of Rochester Hills

A TRUSTED PARTNER. A reliable resource. A track record of excellence. Since 1985, the City of Rochester Hills has benefited from our proud association and membership in MMRMA.

Leading a municipality in Michigan over the past few years has certainly been challenging. In this dynamic and fiscally constrained environment, you quickly learn who is on your team.

As the Mayor of Rochester Hills, I could ask for no better partner than MMRMA. Whether it's cherry picking a best practice gleaned from the recent conference in Traverse City, the knowledge gained from the various members of my administrative team who sit in leadership positions on MMRMA committees, or

the implementation of a RAP Grant designed to help us minimize risk, the City of Rochester Hills and our residents have found MMRMA to be well-run and truly attentive to the needs of local municipalities.

It has been my privilege to serve as Mayor of Rochester Hills since 2006 and as a councilman for six years prior. As the chief elected official in our strong mayor form of government, I understand the challenges that municipalities face, and more important, the courage and leadership needed to make the required decisions.

My leadership has been recognized as a recipient of the Outstanding Michigander of the Year in 2006, the prestigious John F. Kennedy School of Government Harvard Scholarship, and as an inaugural member of E. Brooks Patterson's Elite 40 Under 40 group. Most recently, I was honored to be selected by my peers to serve on the National Advisory Board for the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

While personal accomplishments are gratifying, what energizes me most is being part of an effective, efficient team. I am blessed to have



CURTIS HOLT
City of Wyoming

IT WOULD BE my honor to represent the membership as the representative for the Designated City Seat on MMRMA's Board of Directors.

Sixteen years ago I came to the City of Wyoming to serve as Deputy City Manager. At that time, I was introduced to MMRMA by then-City Manager Donald Mason. Mr. Mason was a strong advocate of MMRMA and passed along that advocacy to me when I succeeded him as City Manager over 12 years ago.

The City of Wyoming has been a member of MMRMA for over 20 years. Our participation in MMRMA has extended from numerous members of our staff who serve on various MMRMA committees, including repre-

sentation on the Board of Directors and Board Chairmanship by Jim Kohmescher, our Director of Administrative Services, who recently retired. In the past, we have received several MMRMA grants and continue to follow closely the risk management direction offered by MMRMA.

My service in city management spans over 25 years as a City Manager, Deputy, Assistant, or intern. I have been employed by small cities and now serve in a large community.

My experiences are varied and extensive. I have worked hard to bring sustainability to the City of Wyoming by exercising fiscal conservatism while reengineering City services through collaboration, cooperation, and reductions in staff. MMRMA is a great example of collaboration, and I think my experiences will complement the current Board of Directors as they continue the MMRMA legacy of a member-driven organization.

Please give your consideration and support in serving you as a member of MMRMA's Board of Directors.

Designated State Pool Seat



KATHY REVELS*
City of Mason

IT HAS BEEN my pleasure to serve you as the designated State Pool member on the MMRMA Board of Directors. My first term was during a period of critical economic challenges, changes in many internal technologies and functions, and intense scrutiny of net assets

The experience has been rewarding as I learned more about the intricacies of MMRMA, pooling, risk management, our investments, reinsurance, and how highly regarded our organization is in the pooling industry. I believe it is my duty as a Board member to continue to learn more about these and other related subjects to provide proper oversight of member interests.

I find that MMRMA's leadership and staff truly live by our Mission Statement and

are "dedicated to providing superior risk management services and products that protect its Member participants and the public they serve." As a Board member, I look for guidance both from the leaders who created and stabilized this organization and from the current members, small and large, who have entrusted us to guide and protect them

because we are self-insured and member-driven, we all have a voice in this organization. I encourage you, as a member, to get involved in some way. I have been honored to represent the smallest of those voices in the MMRMA. I invite any member to contact me with questions or concerns at 517-676-9155 or at kathyr@mason.mi.us

In the next few years, I believe MMRMA will be challenged with decisions regarding net asset distributions and rate equity as members continue to struggle through increasing regulations and financial obstacles. We will search for avenues to provide products and services to members in a convenient, cost-effective and innovative manner.

Designated as incumbent

KATHY REVELS *continued*

Above all, we must anticipate the needs of our members based on impending legislation, economic climate, technology, and convenience; and stand ready to lead, assist, and serve.

At MMRMA we must be vigilant about maintaining a quality product at an affordable price for our members. At the same time we must protect, preserve, and constantly improve upon the entity that we have created. MMRMA

BRYAN BARNETT,

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That situation in my community and recognize it at the MMRMA Board level as well

I entrusted with your vote. I commit to you my time, talent, and service to make this membership-driven organization the best it can be. I fully believe in MMRMA's mission of excellence in self insurance and superior risk control services and would thoroughly enjoy the opportunity to join such a long and proud legacy of leadership.

I sincerely appreciate your consideration for the Board of Directors and thank you for your public service.



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2012 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION BALLOT

OFFICIAL BALLOT

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS
(Candidates listed alphabetically)

Member-at-Large Seats

Vote for Two (2) using ✕ or ✓

_____ Michael Bosanac*, Monroe County

_____ James Scharret*, City of Southfield

Designated City Seat

Vote for One (1) using ✕ or ✓

_____ Bryan K. Barnett, City of Rochester Hills

_____ Curtis Holt, City of Wyoming

Designated County Seat

Vote for One (1) using ✕ or ✓

_____ Fabian Knizacky*, Mason County

***Incumbent**

Ballot must be received no later than December 7, 2012
Late ballots will not be counted



Muscola County Sheriff's Office

120 Court Street • Caro, MI 48723

Leland Teschendorf, Sheriff

John Skrent, Undersheriff

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11/05/2012

Muscola County Board of Commissioners
Mr. Michael Hoagland, County Controller

Attached is a copy of the letter of resignation tendered by Deputy Jeremy Teddy. He has accepted a full-time position with the Reese Police Department. His last day of employment will be 11/20/2012.

I am asking for authorization to hire a full-time replacement for this corrections officer position at some point within the 120 days of the vacancy. The current POAM Unit III contract allows the use of part-time employees for that length of time, at which point a full-time replacement is required.

Sincerely,

Leland Teschendorf, Sheriff

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Reese MI 48757
989-714-8692
jteddy@tuscolacounty.org

11-5-2012

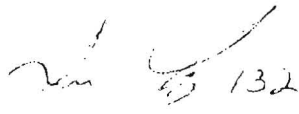
Jeremy Teddy
Deputy
Tuscola County Sheriff's Department
420 Court Street
Caro MI 48723

Dear Sheriff Lee Teschendorf

I would like to inform you that I am resigning from my position as (fulltime) deputy for the Tuscola County Sheriff's Department, effective November 20th. I will remain available for part-time work if and when needed.

Thank you for the support and the opportunities that you have provided me during the last 7 years. I have enjoyed my tenure with the department

Sincerely,



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Jeremy Teddy



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10/22/2012

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Mr. Michael Hoagland, County Controller

I am forwarding a copy of a resignation submitted by Deputy Sheriff Justin Matinkhah who has accepted a position with the Michigan State Police. His last day of employment will be 10/27/2012.

I will contact the board in the future to discuss the issue of replacing his position.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Leland Teschendorf".

Leland Teschendorf, Sheriff

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November 1, 2012

Mark Reene
Prosecuting Attorney

RE: Letter of Retirement

This letter is to inform you of my retirement. My last day of employment with the county will be December 31, 2012.

It has been a pleasure working for you.

Sincerely,



Linda Mis
Investigator

cc HR

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MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES!

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2012 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

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Revenue Sharing

Counties have saved the state **more than a billion dollars since 2005** when they gave up revenue sharing temporarily to help the state with its budget problem. Counties will continue to help the state budget until the final county exhausts its reserve account well past the year 2020.

Revenue sharing is more than just a pot of money to be allocated in whole or in part to counties, it is a statutory promise made to counties that was given in exchange for a change in local taxing authority. Revenue sharing was never intended to be conditional or a reward system, but was established for counties in the 1960s when local taxing authority was forfeited.

MAC will continue to be a positive voice in Lansing by illustrating how counties have led the charge to reform, share services and reduce size. For more than a decade counties have sacrificed due to cuts in state dollars while simultaneously having increased state mandates.

MAC urges the Legislature and the Governor to live up to their end of this important promise, realize the benefits to the state from revenue sharing and continue revenue sharing payments to the new state of counties in fiscal year 2013.

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Personal Property Tax

The Governor and the Legislature have been working on tax policy changes over the last year in an effort to enhance the economic climate in Michigan. In addition to enacting the \$1 billion tax cut to business via the Corporate Income Tax, the Governor and many members of the legislature would like to repeal personal property tax.

MAC's platform statement, which guide our public policy, clearly state that we would support the repeal of the personal property tax so long as the revenue replacement is guaranteed and replaced in full.

Counties in Michigan have a varied reliance on personal property tax, which account for anywhere between 2-27 percent of a county's total taxable value.

value. As we have learned over the years through revenue sharing, PILT, and other state revenue sources, a *statutory* provision for funding is a promise made and a promise broken.

MAC will work with the Governor and the Legislature on a Constitutional guarantee for the revenue replacement, should personal property tax repeal move forward.

MAC therefore supports elimination of this tax, with corresponding Constitutional funding replacement from the state.

Court Funding and Administration

While the Supreme Court, through the State Court Administrative Office, seeks to manage the courts in Michigan's 83 counties, the bulk of the funding for those court operations comes from counties. Michigan counties pay over \$500 million each year to run the state's court system, with little control over operational decisions.

Not only is the funding inequitably disproportionate, the threat of lawsuits and the annual battle for individual court appropriations can be a source of discourse between the commissioners and the courts. MAC is committed to seeking out creative alternatives to the current structure and working with the State to overcome the barriers that prevent the state from assuming full financial and managerial control over Michigan's court system.


MAC urges the Governor and Legislature to begin the process of eliminating counties' largest unfunded mandate by moving responsibility for funding Michigan's state courts to the state.

Unfunded Mandates Package

In 2009, the Legislative Commission on Unfunded Mandates determined that **more than \$2.5 billion in services that can be measured**, and billions more that cannot be measured, are provided by local units of government for free to the state of Michigan through unfunded mandates. Legislation has been introduced to correct this problem.

There is little that can be done about past state violations of the Constitution, however the legislation would require the state legislature to pay for any new mandates it imposes on counties and other local governments, or they would become optional. Further, the legislation would make it possible to avoid costly and time-consuming court battles for both sides by streamlining the process by which unfunded mandates are challenged.

MAC supports passage of the Rep. Kowall package of bills to eliminate future unfunded mandates by the legislature on counties and other local units. The package would make it easier for the legislature to follow the Constitution.



Getting rid of mandates, or making them optional would give county commissioners the ability to look at both their responsibilities and the funding their constituents entrust to them in a more holistic manner. Such mandates range from court funding to public health service mandates.

MAC supports making existing mandates optional in order to allow counties the flexibility to govern according to the will of the people they serve, rather than the dictations of Lansing.

Currently counties are at the whim of cities, townships and villages (CVTs) with regard to the implementation of economic development tools. While counties have opt-out provisions for DDAs, TIFAs, and LDFAs that have been created after 1994, capture districts implemented before that continue to capture county revenue, with no consent by the county. These tools can be extended, essentially forever, with no county input.

Additionally, some renaissance zones, enterprise zones and other assorted economic development tools are created by CVTs and only allow public comment period for counties. Even over a county's objection in these comment periods, the CVT can abate county property taxes. Counties, as a more regional voice, are in a better position to help local units of government coordinate and collaborate to help business thrive in Michigan.

MAC will work to ensure that counties have a voice in the economic development activities in their region by strengthening their voice in the tax capture and abatement process.

MAC believes that counties should be the engine for regional collaborative effort on economic development. Most importantly, counties should be able to opt out of revenue capture or exemption independently of CVTs.

Greater Discretion in Setting County Fees

Most fees for county programs are set in state statute even though the state does nothing to manage the programs.

MAC believes that fees for county programs and services should be set by county boards of commissioners, not to exceed the cost of doing business.

Protection of Liquor Tax Revenue

In past budget cycles, attempts have been made to raid the convention facilities fund, or liquor tax revenue, and in 2007, the fund was completely raided.

Counties rely on this source of revenue for substance abuse programs, among other sources, and oppose utilizing this method to balance the budget.

As the state's prison system nears capacity, counties' jails face similar problems, with more than 80 percent of county jails at or over capacity. Many counties have laid off deputy sheriffs which provide secondary road patrol in favor of using those funds to meet their constitutional obligation to operate their jails.

Shifting the sentencing guidelines in a manner which results in more offenders heading to county jails or other local sentencing is a major concern for counties and can increase an already difficult situation. MAC does not support this policy without being protected, dollar for dollar, from an additional funding burden.

County Jail Reimbursement Program (CJRP)

MAC has worked to assist the Department of Corrections for more than 10 years in diverting felons from prison by housing them in county jails for a fee. CJRP was established as a way to reimburse counties for jail bed space used to house prisoners traditionally bound for prison. This program has proven to save the state a substantial amount of money, but the program has been so successful that the felons who were traditionally bound for prison are now viewed as traditionally bound for county jail. Many in Lansing are wrongly claiming that the reimbursements to counties for housing these prisoners should be re-evaluated since most do not go to prison anymore.

Lately, CJRP has been threatened and MAC believes this program is working well and wishes to continue its progress in helping the state to save money.

E-911 Funding

Michigan's counties are national leaders in providing 911 services. This level of services is made possible by funds (90 percent of the total) raised at the local level for the purpose of protecting the citizens they serve.

MAC supports retaining funding and organizational control of 911 at the local level. Local funding options must remain diverse and at the discretion of local communities.

MAC opposes any effort by the state to consolidate 911 services into a state department under state control. MAC supports using state grants to offer positive incentives for local units to consolidate 911 services at the local, county, or regional level.

Counties are mandated by the state to pay for 50 percent of the \$37 per day administrative fee charged by private child-placing agencies for foster care. In the past, increases in this fee have resulted in continued increases in county costs.

MAC urges the legislature to pay for all administrative costs for foster care, regardless of placement.

Investing in JJ programs that are home and community-based when public safety is not an issue will result in lower cost and reduced or eliminated placements down the road. Home and community-based placements require more creativity, coordination, and staff-time to run than traditional residential placements, however, making them more difficult to put in place.

MAC encourages the legislature to increase the state reimbursement rate for community-based placements with proven outcomes to encourage the increased use of these options and allow counties with barriers to begin using these placements.

Local Public Health

The state is required by statute to pay for 50 percent of the cost of mandated local public health services. The state has only met their 50 percent requirement one time. Counties are paying about 75 percent of the cost of mandated local public health services, creating a classic example of the burden placed by the state on counties.

MAC encourages the legislature to fund its half of mandated local public health services according to the requirements of statute.

Community Mental Health

Appropriate funding of the community mental health system is important to keeping residents of the state healthy, and it benefits both the state and county budget by keeping people out of the judicial system. The ability to provide consistent and seamless care in county jails is important, and state funding for local mental health in county jails needs to be continued so that treatment is not disrupted.

MAC supports appropriate funding of the CMH system. MAC further supports legislation clarifying the ability of a local CMH to use general funds for treatment in the jail.

County Medical Care Facilities

Michigan's 36 county medical care facilities provide skilled nursing and rehab services to the residents of Michigan, and are mandated to admit those without the ability to

pay first, as the safety net for skilled nursing. These facilities primarily serve underserved and rural populations, are considered the standard of care in their field, and enjoy widespread support in their communities. Counties are required to maintain a Maintenance Of Effort (MOE) payment, and the state benefits from the QAAP payments made by the facilities.

County Medical Care Facilities support renewal of the MOE for a period of 5 years.

As Michigan applies to the federal government to combine funding and administration for those dually eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare in order to gain savings and efficiency, great care must be taken to make sure the new HMO system protects the safety net services counties provide, rewards quality outcomes, and preserves local oversight of the systems.

MAC stands with our partners at county medical care facilities and community mental health to preserve those vital local services.

Currently county road commissioners are selected via appointment or election (33 elected, 48 appointed) but all represent the county at-large. In many cases, all three or five of the elected road commissioners reside in the same geographic location in the county. Allowing county boards the option of creating road commission districts would ensure that every part of the county would receive the proper representation and attention to the care of their roads as well as provide some accountability to the constituency.

MAC supports legislation giving county boards the option of districting county road commissioners. MAC also supports allowing the board to limit the term of an elected road commissioner to four years.

Transportation Funding / Gas Tax Reform

Last year, the Transportation Funding Task Force made several recommendations to maintain and improve Michigan's infrastructure. These critical recommendations are targeting economic development opportunities and safety issues for this state, through revisions to the various funding mechanisms for all modes of transportation.

Michigan's gas user fee has remained unchanged for more than 10 years. *MAC supports increasing the gas user fee by nine cents, three cents per year for three consecutive years, and sunseting it in 7 years to reassess technological advances.*

Also, Michigan's diesel fuel user fee has remains at a different rate than the motor fuel user fee.

MAC supports raising the diesel fuel tax rate to match the rate on motor fuels. MAC strongly opposes any efforts to divert fuel tax revenue for other uses and supports the ability for individual counties to collect a gas tax which is applied for that specific county.

County Airports

The state of aeronautical infrastructure in Michigan is currently at a critical tipping point.

MAC urges the Bureau of Aeronautics and Department of Transportation to adequately fund the growing need of Michigan air service. MAC supports adequate state funds to continue to match federal funding and to leverage as many federal dollars as possible in all categories.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Counties with large tracts of DNR owned property rely on PILT to help fund essential services. This funding source for locals has endured a five year freeze on assessments and needs to be protected. The state has continuously purchased land, and has a poor track record of continuously paying its taxes on these lands. Counties should also have the option of vetoing state land purchases in their jurisdiction.

Senate Bill 248 would cap the amount of land the state could own at any given time at 4.65 million acres. Currently, the state is 177,825 acres below this proposed cap. The bill also requires the state to maintain a land management plan. The cap coupled with a management plan will allow the state to move forward smartly and strategically on future land purchases, sales, and maintenance of state land for use by the people of Michigan.

MAC supports full payment of PILT by the state along with proper land management plans.

Agriculture and Tourism

Tourism has become one of the fastest growing sectors of Michigan's economy and is largely locally supported and MAC would like to both protect and promote the growth of this industry. Agriculture has proven to be the one stable part of Michigan's economy.

MAC urges the legislature to continue funding local Conservation Districts and Michigan State University Extension to assist with the preservation of forest land, water, farm land, and other natural resources. These programs are active partners with local units of government and their resources.

Renewable Energy

While Michigan's leaders continue efforts to diversify our state economy, the renewable energy industry provides a major opportunity for growth in the near future. However, local residents must have a say and be one of the receivers of the benefits from any development of renewable resources.

As Michigan moves towards meeting its RPS goals, MAC supports legislation for statewide development of renewable energy resources and energy conservation that allows counties an appropriate voice for the people who live in the area, and the ability to negotiate appropriate royalties to the benefit of the citizens who are affected by the new development.

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October 11, 2012

A regular meeting of the Board was held in their offices at 1733 S. Mertz Rd., Caro, Michigan on Thursday, October 11, 2012 at 8:00 A.M.

Present: Road Commissioners John Laurie, Gary Parsell, Mike Zwerk, Julie Matuszak, and Pat Sheridan; County Highway Engineer Michele Zaverucha, Superintendent/Manager Jay Tuckey, Director of Finance/Secretary-Clerk Michael Tuckey.

Also Present: County Commissioner Roy Petzold.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the minutes of the September 27, 2012 regular meeting of the Board be approved. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk that the minutes of the closed session of the Board dated September 27, 2012 be approved. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Payroll in the amount of \$93,770.92 and bills in the amount of \$349,373.77 covered by vouchers #12-34 and #12-35 were presented and audited.

Motion by Zwerk seconded by Matuszak that the payroll and bills be approved. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Brief Public Comment Segment:

(1) Mr. Duke Trencamp with White Construction appeared before the Board to discuss their work with the Wind Turbine Project in Gilford Township. Due to recent high wind conditions and time constraints, Mr. Trencamp requests permission from the Board to move their cranes within the project across closed roads during night time hours if needed. County Highway Engineer Zaverucha recommends approving their request with the understanding that the cranes be moved in compliance with all road sign requirements and under Road Commission supervision. After further discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk to grant White Construction permission to move their cranes within the Wind Turbine Project across closed roads during night time hours if needed. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Management and the Board further discussed a proposed agreement between the Road Commission and the City of Caro regarding vehicle fleet maintenance. Management and the Board reviewed a proposed agreement and discussed several areas of concern. The Board recommends that Management meet with the Caro Schools Transportation Department to review their agreement for vehicle maintenance. After further discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Sheridan that Management continue with the due diligence toward an agreement with the City of Caro for vehicle fleet maintenance and report back at the next regular meeting of the Board. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Indianfields Township Treasurer Robert Osborn appeared before the Board regarding the township's need to purchase property to build a new township hall. The Indianfields Township Board asks if the Road Commission would be interested in selling a portion of property at its Caro Facility. After discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the Road Commission sell to Indianfields Township one (1) acre of usable property beyond the statute right-of-way at a price of \$1.00 in order to build a new township hall. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

County Highway Engineer Zaverucha reported to the Board that the Denmark Township Board has requested a speed study be conducted to reduce the speed limit to 25 M.P.H. on Tressla Road from Cole Road to M-15. The Denmark Township Board also requested to change the Yield Signs to a Stop Signs on Elmwood Court at Tressla Road. Zaverucha presented to the Board an engineering study of the locations. Based on the speed study, Zaverucha recommends not forwarding the request to the Michigan State Police for a lower speed limit on Tressla Road. Furthermore, Zaverucha does recommend approving the request of changing the Yield Signs to a Stop Signs on Elmwood Court. After further discussion, the following two motions were introduced:

Motion by Sheridan seconded by Matuszak to deny the request from the Denmark Township Board to reduce the speed limit on Tressla Road from Cole Road to M-15, based on the speed study results and as recommended by the County Highway Engineer. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Sheridan seconded by Parsell to approve the request from the Denmark Township Board to change the Yield Signs to a Stop Signs on Elmwood Court at Tressla Road, as recommended by the County Highway Engineer. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

County Highway Engineer Zaverucha reported to the Board that the Adventure Cycling Association has requested to install signs on United States Bike Route 20. After discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Parsell that the Adventure Cycling Association make their request through the respective township for installing signs on U.S. Bike Route 20, and that the Road Commission will install the signs at cost for labor and materials. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Management and the Board discussed the Tuscola County O.R.V. Ordinance and the maps available to the public detailing the designated O.R.V. route.

Management and the Board discussed options for culvert replacements on local roads, including a technology called "Bridge-in-a-Backpack".

Motion by Zwerk seconded by Parsell to approve the request from the Tuscola Township Board and change all Yield Signs to a Stop Signs township wide in Tuscola Township, all in accordance with the Road Commission's policy for replacing regulatory road signs. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk to approve the Road Commission change to its winter operating hours effective Monday, October 29, 2012; as recommended by the Superintendent/Manager. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Management and the Board reviewed the proposed 2013-14 C.R.A.M. Legislative Priorities. The proposed 2013-14 Legislative Priorities will be further discussed at the next Blue Water Highway Council Meeting.

County Highway Engineer Zaverucha reported to the Board that R.S. Scott & Associates has requested an additional \$125.00 per structure to complete the 2012 bridge inspections. After discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk to approve the price increase for the 2012 bridge inspection program at a counter offer to R.S. Scott & Associates of \$100.00 additional cost per structure. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk that the meeting be adjourned at 10:35 A.M. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.



STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY
LANSING

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October 23, 2012

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Competitive Grant Assistance Program Grants Awarded
Funding Will Assist Local Government Consolidation and Collaboration Projects

The Michigan Department of Treasury has announced that 32 Michigan communities will receive Competitive Grant Assistance Program (CGAP) funding, totaling more than \$10.5 million, in the second round of awards for fiscal year 2012. Nearly half of this round of CGAP funding was designated for public safety initiatives. CGAP, formerly known as Economic Vitality Incentive Program (EVIP) grants, was initially proposed by Governor Snyder shortly after taking office in 2011 to help offset costs for municipalities in the consolidation or sharing of services among local units of government. These awards bring the total amount awarded for fiscal year 2012 to \$14.8 million.

“This program has proven itself to be instrumental in helping municipalities collaborate on innovative programs and incorporate best practices,” said Gov. Snyder. “This next round of grants will continue to support the good-government goals of our state and communities as we work to be most efficient with state and local tax dollars.”

The following communities will receive CGAP Grants with projects and amounts noted (alphabetical order):

Local Unit	Project Description	Amount
City of Dearborn	Consolidate IT services with City of Dearborn Heights	\$263,000
City of Dearborn Heights	Consolidate fire department services with City of Garden City	\$43,500
Delta County	Collaborate with 16 local units on tax assessment database	\$332,165
Delta Charter Twp.	Continue consolidation with Looking Glass Regional Fire Authority	\$30,000
City of Dewitt	Consolidation of building inspection with Dewitt and Bath Townships	\$16,250
Emmet County	Integrate Charlevoix-Cheboygan-Emmet County with state dispatch radio system	\$80,000
City of Farmington Hills	Consolidate IT services with City of Farmington	\$130,000
City of Grand Haven	Conduct feasibility study of telephone service delivery	\$18,750

City of Grand Rapids	Collaborate with Michigan Municipal Services Authority (MSA) to develop cloud computing environment	\$3,600,000
City of Harper Woods	Cross-train police officers as fire fighters	\$62,900
Huron Twp.	Consolidate 911 and detention facilities with Sumpter Township	\$202,386
Kent County	Conduct study on Community Development program to reduce costs	\$40,000
City of Lansing	Retain consultant to establish platform for collaboration with neighboring cities and townships	\$75,000
City of Leslie	Develop shared master plan with Leslie Township	\$30,000
Lyon Twp.	Conduct study on benefits of collaborating on wastewater treatment facility	\$51,500
Macomb County	Consolidating dispatch and communications operations	\$1,505,000
City of Marquette	Collaborate with Marquette and Chocolay Townships on recreation authority business plan	\$12,500
City of Marshall	Collaborate with Michigan State Police to share services and facilities	\$674,254
City of Monroe	Cross-train police and fire and create joint public safety department	\$49,000
Oakland County	Collaborate to maximize usage of City of Pontiac's wastewater treatment plant	\$22,320
City of Pontiac	Consolidate fire services with Waterford Township	\$248,742
City of Port Huron	Collaborate with City of Marysville to standardize and combine fire records systems	\$20,985
City of Roseville	Consolidate with City of Eastpointe to create a recreation authority	\$342,000
City of Roseville	Conduct feasibility study on use of water reservoir with Cities of Fraser and Eastpointe	\$20,000
City of Saginaw	Consolidate law enforcement with Saginaw County	\$156,266
Saginaw County	Consolidate records, data, information and intelligence with other sheriff offices	\$881,944
City of Southgate	Consolidate assessing and equalization services with Cities of Allen Park, Lincoln Park, and Woodhaven	\$25,000
City of St. Joseph	Consolidate 911 services with Berrien County	\$199,508
Washtenaw County	Continuation of consolidation of 911 services with City of Ann Arbor	\$35,000
Watervliet Twp.	Consolidate water department with City of Watervliet	\$287,500
Wayne County	Collaborate with multiple agencies on inter-agency initiative to reduce gun violence	\$304,000
City of Westland	Consolidate fire department services with City of Wayne	\$791,787

As noted above, CGAP awards include \$3.6 million for the City of Grand Rapids, to develop a Financial Management System that will eventually be available to local governments through the Michigan Municipal Services Authority (MSA). As a new public-private partnership, the MSA was formed through an inter-local agreement between Grand Rapids and the City of Livonia in order to deliver shared services and functions to local governments. Governor Snyder approved the agreement earlier this year.

“Given the economic realities we face today, it is more important than ever that municipalities, school districts and intermediate school districts institute best practices, develop innovative collaborations, and leverage their limited resources,” said State Treasurer Andy Dillon. “The MSA can offer local counties, townships, cities, villages and districts access to best practices and standardized services, giving them new tools to increase efficiencies and save tax dollars.”

The Grand Rapids CGAP grant fulfills an initial focus of the MSA on best practices in hosted financial management systems. “We are very excited to be a charter member of the MSA,” said Grand Rapids Mayor George Heartwell. “This first investment provides the MSA with an accessible financial management system that can be used by municipalities statewide. The work that we are doing will not only impact citizens on the West side of the state, but will create a template for local units throughout Michigan to collaborate and lower costs.”

“As communities across Michigan struggle with their budgets, it becomes increasingly important for local and state government to work together to develop efficient, cost-effective methods of delivering services to our residents,” said Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey. “We look forward to the MSA focusing its resources on reducing costs and improving operations, not only in Livonia, but in communities across the state.”

Applications for the fiscal year 2013 CGAP Program are now available on Treasury’s Web site. The FY 2013 applications are due by December 3, 2012. In total, \$15 million is available to all cities, villages, townships, counties, school districts, and intermediate school districts.

For more information, visit www.michigan.gov/revenuesharing.

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Tuscola County Health Department
Board of Commissioners Monthly Report for October 2012
Prepared by: Gretchen Tenbusch, RN, MSA, Health Officer

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Outcomes for the Month:

- We have not seen any additional cases of Salmonella Newport in the past 30 days.

Issues under consideration by the Local Health Department:

- The local Dentist are in the process of setting up a 501c3 tri-county Medicaid / Indigent dental clinic. The Dentist are in the process of choosing a location, but it appears that the M-81 & M-53 vicinity may end up as their location choice. They will be working with local area transit services to provide access to the clinic even if it is a few miles outside of their county borders. Research is being done now by the Dentist and the Local Health Departments to determine how this clinic may qualify as a Public Health Dental Clinic in order to obtain enhanced reimbursement.
- The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) has confirmed 12 cases of influenza, the first identified by the state laboratory during the 2012-2013 flu season in Michigan. The illnesses occurred in both children and adults in lower Michigan. At least two people were known to have been hospitalized. Nine cases have been confirmed as influenza B viruses, two as influenza A (H3N2) virus, and one as influenza A (H1N1) 2009 Virus. Huron County has 7 lab confirmed cases of Influenza B, so flu season is here officially. It is important that individuals use good handwashing techniques and get their flu shots to reduce their risk of contracting the flu. Tuscola County has not had a reported case as of October 16th. Flu vaccinations remain at \$25.00, clinics are scheduled and we have been accepting walk-ins. We did conduct an outreach clinic at the expo on Oct 11 th were we vaccinated 78 people. We are offering Flu-mist this year that is the nasal spray for children for ages 2-49 years.
- We have no reports of anyone in the county with Fungal Meningitis. What is Fungal Meningitis? CDC with state and local health departments and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA)~ are investigating a multi state fungal meningitis outbreak among patients who have received a steroid injection of a potentially contaminated product into the spinal area. This form of meningitis is not contagious. The investigation also includes fungal infections associated with injections in a peripheral joint space, such as a knee, shoulder or ankle. CDC and public health officials are referring any patients who have symptoms that suggest possible meningitis or a possible peripheral joint infection to their physicians who can evaluate them further. Those patients injected in peripheral joints only are not believed to be at risk for fungal meningitis but could be at risk for joint infection.

Signs and symptoms of fungal meningitis may include the following: Fever, Headache, Stiff neck, nausea and vomiting photophobia (sensitivity to light), altered mental status. If meningitis is suspected, samples of blood or cerebrospinal fluid (near the spinal cord) are collected and sent to a laboratory for testing. Fungal meningitis is treated with long courses of high dose antifungal medications, usually given through an IV line in the hospital. The length of treatment depends on the status of the immune system and the type

Issues to be brought to Board of Commissioners:

- We need to know our Fiscal Year appropriation as we are already almost 1 month into our new fiscal year.

Memo

To: Mr. Michael Hoagland
From: C. Patrick Kaltenbach
Date: October 18, 2012
Subject: Transfer Tax Issues Regarding Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac

ISSUE

May the County collect real estate transfer tax from Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac?

ANALYSIS

According to the most recent ruling in a pending class action lawsuit, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac are not exempt from real estate transfer tax and must pay it. Complicating matters a little, there was also a recent ruling in the federal district court for the Western district of Michigan which came to the opposite conclusion.

The class action lawsuit involves, as plaintiffs, all Michigan counties and their respective treasurers which have not actively "opted out" from the suit. Therefore, unless Tuscola County actively chose not to be an unnamed member of the class action suit, they are parties to the case and should follow the decision of the court in that action.

The class action suit is being appealed to the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, where a ruling is anticipated sometime late next spring. Pending that decision, it makes sense to collect the transfer tax, but to be prepared for the possibility that such funds may need to be returned to Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac. It is anticipated that they will pay the tax under protest pending the Appeals Court decision. When the tax is collected, it will be important to retain a record of the pertinent deeds which have been recorded, along with the amount that has been paid under this procedure.

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BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

10/30/12

RESOLUTION

BY: COMMISSIONER ERNIE KRYGIER, 5TH DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Water levels on Lakes Michigan and Huron have been lowered nearly two feet due to historic dredging on the St. Clair River; and

WHEREAS, The two lakes, which are actually one body of water connected at the Straits of Mackinac, ~~have been below their long term average for more than a decade,~~ and forecasters say in the coming months they could plunge below their record low; and

WHEREAS, An organization of 90 mayors representing more than 15 million residents in cities across the Great Lakes region is telling the International Joint Commission that it is "dissatisfied" with a recent study that determined restoring lake levels by installing some type of structure to repair damage done to the St. Clair River would be a costly project that could take decades and ultimately will do more harm than good; and

WHEREAS, The St. Clair River is the primary outflow of Lakes Michigan and Huron, and a deeper river channel means more water can flow out of the lakes, into Lake Erie, over Niagara Falls and ultimately, out to the Atlantic Ocean; and

WHEREAS, The mayors' group is asking the Joint Commission to further investigate engineering options to raise lake levels in order "to compensate for human activities, notably dredging the St. Clair River over the past decades"; and

WHEREAS, The St. Clair River has been heavily dredged for over a century, and the federal government has long acknowledged that this human meddling in the riverbed has led to a permanent drop of about 16 inches from Lakes Michigan and Huron's long term average; and

WHEREAS, Water tables continue to drop and Lakes Michigan and Huron are now approaching their 14th year in a row of below-average levels, they are about 6 inches above their record low for September and, because of the drought and warm summer, forecasters predict them to drop another 2 inches and they could hit record low levels by the end of the year; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative that efforts are made to address and prevent the continuing loss of water from the St. Clair River which impacts Lakes Michigan and Huron; Therefore, Be It

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BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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RESOLUTION

BY: COMMISSIONER ERNIE KRYGIER, 5TH DISTRICT

RESOLVED That the Bay County Board of Commissioners urges our Federal and State Legislators, the Corps of Engineers, the Save our Shoreline organization, and the International Joint Commission to immediately revisit and pursue exploration of the St. Clair River remediation; Be It Further

RESOLVED That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to our Federal and State Legislators, the Corps of Engineers, the Save our Shoreline organization, and the International Joint Commission.

ERNIE KRYGIER
5TH DISTRICT

BAY COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Comm Krygler - St. Clair River Remediation

MOVED BY COMM. Krygier

SUPPORTED BY COMM. Rupp

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	E
Michael J. Duranczyk	✓			Joe Davis	✓			Tom Ryder	✓		
Brandon Krause			✓	Ernie Krygier	✓			Christopher Rupp	✓		
Vaughn J. Begick	✓			Kim Coonan	✓			Donald J. Tilley			✓

VOTE TOTALS:

ROLL CALL: YEAR 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 2

VOICE: ✓ YEAR 7 NAYS 0 EXCUSED 2

DISPOSITION: ADOPTED ✓ DEFEATED WITHDRAWN
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