# TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING AGENDA THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2014 – 7:30 A.M.

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

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Phone: 989-672-3700 Fax : 989-672-4011

7:30 A.M. Call to Order – Chairperson Bardwell Prayer – Commissioner Kirkpatrick Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Bardwell Roll Call – Clerk Fetting Adoption of Agenda Action on Previous Meeting Minutes (See Correspondence #1) **Brief Public Comment Period** Consent Agenda Resolution (See Correspondence #2) **New Business** -Tuscola EDC Joining Michigan Council of Governments -Request to use Courthouse Lawn -Dispatch Request to Refill Vacant Positions (See Correspondence #3) -Video Oil Shale Mining -Zimco Invoice **Old Business** -MAC Registration -Five Year Financial Plan -State Revenue Sharing

-Renewable Energy Standard

-Finance/Personnel Commissions Issues for Discussion

Correspondence/Resolutions

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BIERLEIN Thumb Area Consortium/Michigan Works Planning Commission Behavioral Health Systems Board Tuscola 2020 Recycling Advisory Committee Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Multi County Solid Waste Local Unit of Government Activity Report Tuscola In Sync MAC Board of Directors Human Services Collaborative Council

#### BARDWELL

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#### **KIRKPATRICK**

Thumb Area Consortium/Michigan Works Board of Health Community Corrections Advisory Board Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison MI Renewable Energy Coalition MEMS All Hazards Cass River Greenways Pathway Local Unit of Government Activity Report Tuscola In Sync

### <u>ALLEN</u>

Dispatch Authority Board County Road Commission Board of Public Works Senior Services Advisory Council Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative Dental Clinic for Indigents Parks & Recreation Local Unit of Government Activity Report Closed Session (If Necessary) Other Business as Necessary Extended Public Comment Adjournment

# CORRESPONDENCE

- #1 December 27, 2013 Full Board Minutes
- #2 Consent Agenda Resolution
- #3 Refilling Dispatch Vacant Positions
- #4 Oil Shale Impact Team
- #5 Thank You Letter from Elmwood Township Gagetown Fire Dept.
- #6 November 21, 2013 and December 9, 2013 Road Commission Minutes

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.

### TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS December 27, 2013 Minutes H. H. Purdy Building

Commissioner Roger Allen 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 27th day of December, 2013 to order at 7:30 o'clock am local time.

Prayer – Commissioner Bierlein

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Kirkpatrick

Roll Call - Chief Deputy Clerk - Cindy McKinney-Volz

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Roger Allen, District 4 – Craig Kirkpatrick, District 5 – Matthew Bierlein

Commissioners Absent: District 2 - Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Christine Trisch

Also Present: Mike Hoagland, Cindy McKinney-Volz, Mary Drier, John Bishop, Dawn Bowden

#### 13**-M**-258

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Allen to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion Carried.

#### 13-M-259

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Bierlein to adopt the meeting minutes and the organizational minutes from the December 12, 2013 meeting. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period - None

Consent Agenda Resolution - None

New Business

-2014 Computer Equipment Purchase

#### 13-M-260

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Allen that per the recommendation of the Information Services Director, the budgeted 2014 computer equipment items identified in the December 27, 2013 memo be awarded to Tiger Direct Solutions for an amount of \$59,266.00. Motion Carried.

-Court 2013 Budget Amendment Requests

#### 13-M-261

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Kirkpatrick to approve 2013 line item transfer amendments for court budgets as identified in the Court Administrator's December 18, 2013 memorandum. Motion carried.

### -Health Department Fee Changes

13-M-262

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Bierlein that the Tuscola County fee schedule amendments as contained in the December 13, 2013 communication and recommended by the Board of Health be approved with said changes to be effective January 1, 2014. Motion carried.

#### 13-M-263

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Bierlein to rescind 13-M-262. Motion carried.

#### 13-M-264

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Bierlein that the Tuscola County **Health Department** fee schedule amendments as contained in the December 13, 2013 communication and recommended by the Board of Health be approved with said changes to be effective January 1, 2014. Motion carried.

### -IRS Mileage Rate Change

#### 13-M-265

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Kirkpatrick that per the 2014 mileage reimbursement rate allowance from the Internal Revenue Service that the county rate be reduced from \$.565 to \$.560 per mile effective January 1, 2014. Also, a communication will be sent to department heads providing notification of the change. Motion carried.

### -Jail Medical Services Contract

#### 13-M-266

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Kirkpatrick to approve the one-year agreement (1/1/14 to 12/31/14) with Correctional Healthcare Companies to provide medical care for inmates in the county jail. Motion carried.

#### -Proposal for Senior Millage

#### 13-M-267

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Bierlein that per the request from the Human Development Commission, the 2014 Senior Millage Fund budget be amended by \$5,000 to pay mileage to volunteer drivers for the increased demand to transport senior citizens to medical care providers outside of the area. Also, 2014 budget amendments are authorized. Motion carried.

## -Bridge Millage Transfer Request

#### 13-M-268

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Kirkpatrick to approve the Local Bridge Millage transfer request of \$53,792.10 as identified by Voucher #05-13 dated December 23, 2013, for transfer from the Local Bridge Millage Fund to the Road Commission General Fund. Motion carried.

## -Jury Board Appointment

13-M-269

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Bierlein that at the recommendation of Judge Kim David Glaspie to appoint Carolyn Berry to the Tuscola County Jury Board. Motion carried.

-Request for the use of the Courthouse Lawn

13-M-270

Motion by Bierlein, which Bierlein also rescinded prior to being seconded or carried, regarding use of the Courthouse law by the Future Youth Involvement for the Cardboard City Sleep out. The letter has two different weekends in May 2014. Once clarification is received, the request will be addressed at a future Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Recessed at 8:00 a.m. Reconvened at 8:14 a.m.

-Regional Food Systems Grant Proposal

## 13-M-271

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Bierlein that per the request of the Economic Development Corporation that a letter of support for the Regional Food Systems Grant Proposal from the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized. Motion carried.

# -Closed Session – Labor Negotiations

## 13-M-272

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Kirkpatrick, at 8:15 a.m. that the board convenes into closed session for labor negotiations to consider the legal opinions and memorandum of our attorneys which are exempt from public disclosure under the Michigan Freedom of Information Act.

Roll Call Vote: Yea – Allen, Kirkpatrick, Bierlein.

Absent – Bardwell and Trisch Nay – None. Motion Carried. Reconvened from closed session at 8:30 a.m.

# -Contracts

# 13-M-273

Motion by Bierlein, seconded Kirkpatrick that based on the correspondence of union representatives for POAM Corrections Officers, POAM Sheriff Deputies, POAM Dispatch, POLC Command Officers, AFSCME Deputies and AFSCME General that their respective bargaining unit contracts be agreed to with the changes for the January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014 period and contracts be approved for signature. Motion carried.

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# COUNTY OF TUSCOLA

# **STATE OF MICHIGAN**

# **RESOLUTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA**

At a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the H.H. Purdy Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014 at 7:30 a.m. local time.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

It was moved by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_and supported by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_\_and supported by Commissioner and s

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Agenda Reference: A

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 1/13/14

**Description of Matter:** Move that the Board motion made on 2/27/13 be rescinded and the county hiring freeze be re-established. Letters of retirement or resignation be submitted to the Controller-Administrator's office to notify the Board of Commissioners that a vacancy exists. Budgeted but vacated positions shall not be refilled until alternative cost

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reducing methods are reviewed by department heads and presented to the Board in writing for consideration.

Agenda Reference: B

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 1/13/14

- **Description of Matter:** Move that staff work with corporate council to prepare language to request public approval to renew the Mosquito Abatement millage in the August of 2014 primary election.
- Agenda Reference: C

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 1/13/14

- **Description of Matter:** Move that per the recommendation of county lawyers that escrowed first year Nextera Gilford Wind Energy project funds (68 generators) be changed to non-escrowed status. Also, 2014 budget amendments be implemented by increasing the capital improvement transfer for the general fund by the previously escrowed \$100,000. Budget changes to 2014 special revenue funds be made that will increase the amount of anticipated year-end fund balance.
- Agenda Reference: D

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 1/13/14

**Description of Matter:** Move that the maintenance agreement with Schneider Electric for 911/Dispatch be approved and appropriate signatures are authorized.

Agenda Reference: E

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 1/13/14

**Description of Matter:** Move to approve and authorize signature of the application for PA 32 dispatcher training funds distribution from the state.

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Agenda Reference:	F		
Entity Proposing:	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 1/13/14		
Description of Matter:	Move that the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant for the Thumb Narcotics Unit and sub-contract agreement with Lapeer County be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized.		
Agenda Reference:	G		
Entity Proposing:	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 1/13/14		
Description of Matter:	Move that per the January 8, 2014 letter of request from the Sheriff that the part-time secretary position be authorized for reinstatement as a full-time position with the understanding 20% of wage and fringe benefit costs for the position will be charged to the Road Patrol Fund and all appropriate budget amendments are authorized. Also, the position starting wage shall be \$15.73 per hour and follow the uncertified deputy/corrections officer wage/step schedule.		
Agenda Reference:	Н		
Entity Proposing:	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 1/13/14		
Description of Matter:	Move that Commissioner Kirkpatrick's out of state travel request be approved to attend the March National Association Counties conference in Washington D.C.		
Agenda Reference:	I		
Entity Proposing:	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 1/13/14		
Description of Matter:	Move that the January 9, 2014 letter of resignation from Dawn Bowden (Human Resources Director) be received and placed on file with said resignation to be effective January 29, 2014 and authorization is given to refill said position.		

**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.

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YEAS:

NAYS:

**ABSTENTIONS:** 

**RESOLUTION ADOPTED.** 

Thomas Bardwell, Chairperson Tuscola County Board of Commissioners Jodi Fetting Tuscola County Clerk



# **Tuscola County Central Dispatch**

January 13, 2014

From:Robert J. Klenk, DirectorSubject:Manning

To: Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

Dear Commissioners,

I am seeking permission to hire Christy Mularz to a vacant dispatch position. Central Dispatch currently has two unfilled dispatch positions due to personnel leaving for other jobs. Central Dispatch has the required funds in the 2014 budget for this position and the other vacant position. The dispatch operating fund comes from a 911 telephone surcharge and does not affect the general fund. Filling these two positions will greatly reduce the overtime we are currently spending to maintain our minimum manning and therefore will reduce our budget.

Last year we eliminated a 30 hour part time position as a matter of cost savings. Once again these two positions are currently in the 2014 budget and Dispatch is projected to have a fund balance at the end of 2014.

Thank you,

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Robert J. Klenk, Director Tuscola County Central Dispatch

# DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION

# OIL SHALE IMPACT TEAM

MI Green Thumb - Empowering Leaders in Agriculture, Manufacturing and Clean Energy

# **MISSION STATEMENT**

Collaborate with oil shale company officials along with economic, government and environment leaders to gain comprehensive knowledge and understanding of the oil shale mining industry. Use this information as a means to proactively:

- Determine how this industry can benefit the public at-large in Tuscola County and the entire State
- Assess the effect on short/long term local economic development and specifically strive to maximize local job creation
- Determine if proper environmental practices are in place and if necessary work to implement regulatory reform to properly protect water and other natural resources
- Evaluate current methods of assessing/taxing oil shale projects and review the potential of
  establishing impact fees as a method to defray costs of providing public services for these
  projects as has been accomplished in Pennsylvania and other States
- Work with state officials to consider providing the authority to levy impact fees on oil shale projects as a method of re-establishing local government financial independence
- Build partnerships with the Michigan Association of Counties, Michigan Municipal League, Michigan Township Association, Michigan State University, Environmental interest groups Legislative Leaders, and others
- Work with the above broad base of groups to effectuate change and accomplish oil shale mining objectives that are in the best interests of the public

## **Tuscola County Oil Shale Impact Team**

Craig Kirkpartick – Commissioner Dennis Stein – Michigan State University Walt Schlichting – Equalization Director John Bishop – Register of Deeds Vickey Sherry – Economic Development Corporation Michael Hoagland – Controller/Administrator



Elmwood Township Gagetown Fire Department PO Box 55 Gagetown, MI 48735

December 26, 2013

Tuscola County Board Of Commissioners 125 W Lincoln Street Caro, MI 48723

**Dear Commissioners:** 

We are writing to express our deepest thanks for your recent contribution to Elmwood Township Gagetown Fire Department.

Your financial assistance has demonstrated a deep commitment to our work of protecting the lives and property of Elmwood Township.

Your support has played a key role in our ability to purchase and install a new fire whistle for Elmwood Township.

There is no way to fully express our gratitude for your support. We at Elmwood Township Gagetown Fire Department are continually inspired by the dedication and generosity of donors like you.

Sincerely,

Elmwood Township Gagetown Fire Fighters

## November 21, 2013

A regular meeting of the Board was held in their offices at 1733 S. Mertz Rd., Caro, Michigan on Thursday, November 21, 2013 at 8:00 A.M.

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

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the minutes of the November 7, 2013 regular meeting of the Board be approved. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Payroll in the amount of \$87,415.37 and bills in the amount of \$278,659.76 covered by vouchers #13-44, #13-45 and #HRA-11 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) Almer Township Supervisor Jim Miklovic appeared before the Board to thank the Road Commission for the recent grading of their township gravel roads.
- (2) Mr. John Bulloch with Consumers Energy asked the Board if there were any questions regarding the Cross Winds Energy Park Project.

Road Commission employee Larry Kern appeared before the Board to discuss his eligible retirement date of January 2, 2014. Mr. Kern asked the Board how the Health Care Reform Affordable Care Act would affect retiree health insurance coverage. The Board requested that Management follow up with the Road Commission's insurance agent and report back to the Board.

At 8:15 A.M. the following bids were opened for 2013-14 Liquid De-Icing Materials:

Bidder	Material	Picked Up	Delivered To
	Specification	<u>By TCRC</u>	Livingston Storage
The Wilkinson Corporation	19% CaCl	\$ .07 p/gal	\$ .16 p/gal
Michigan Chloride Sales	18% CaCl	\$ .10 p/gal	\$ .14 p/gal

Motion by Zwerk seconded by Parsell that the bids for 2013-14 Liquid De-Icing Materials be accepted and awarded to The Wilkinson Corporation. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent/Manager to initiate the hiring process and background investigation on candidate finalist Larry Weller to fill one (1) hourly job opening within the Laborer classification. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Management and the Board further discussed the removal of a fuel tank at the Vassar Division. Director of Finance Michael Tuckey reported to the Board that C.R.A.M. has recommended two (2) legal counsel firms with environmental experience to review the final assessment report completed by Envirologic Technologies, Inc. Management will report back to the Board after contacting the legal counsel firms.

Management and the Board further discussed the Road Commission's truck fleet and capital equipment needs. The Board reviewed and discussed several different options for improving the truck fleet and meeting the needs for the Road Commission's level of service. After further discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk to approve that the Road Commission lease two (2) additional Motor Graders that were not renewed in the year 2010, and to approve leasing to own two (2) Tandem Axle Dump Trucks; all in accordance with the proposed 2014 Capital Outlay Budget. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie ---- Carried.

Management and the Board further discussed road damage caused in conjunction with a R.O.W. Permit issued to I.T.C. and MJ Electric. County Highway Engineer Zawerucha presented to the Board a summary of the history of the Thumb Loop Project, and the details of the extent of road damages. Julie Garavaglia with I.T.C. was in attendance, and asked the Board for approval of their permit application to begin their current project. The Board upholds their resolution from the last regular meeting of the Board to not issue another R.O.W. Permit to I.T.C. until the road damages caused in conjunction with the previous R.O.W. Permit are resolved.

Motion by Sheridan seconded by Zwerk to approve the proposed Road Agreement for Utilities as presented, all pending the legal opinion from the Road Commission's attorney. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Fairgrove Township Supervisor Keith Aeder appeared before the Board to discuss road improvements made by the wind turbine companies. Mr. Aeder asked the Board if the township could do additional road improvements with the wind turbine road repairs planned for 2014. The Board is receptive to the request, and will further discuss once the wind turbine road repairs are finalized.

Motion by Sheridan seconded by Parsell that in conjunction with the resolution at the October 24, 2013 regular meeting of the Board which approved the request from NextEra Energy Resources for advanced payment toward road repairs in the 2014 season, the Board approves billing NextEra Energy Resources for the estimated costs for road repairs with a 6% inflation factor; all in accordance with the Road Agreement for the Tuscola Wind II Project. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Zwerk seconded by Parsell to approve the request from the Almer Township Board for the installation of two (2) Intersection Symbol Signs on Remington Road for southbound traffic, one north of Fairgrove Road and one north of Darbee Road; all in accordance with the Road Commission's Road Policies. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Zwerk seconded by Sheridan to grant a variance of the Road Commission's Road Policies to Mr. Bob Stockmeyer, and approve boring under Deckerville Road at a minimum depth of 36" for the installation of a high density poly-ethylene pipe. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the meeting be adjourned at 10:50 A.M. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Chairman

Secretary-Clerk of the Board

# December 19, 2013

A regular meeting of the Board was held in their offices at 1733 S. Mertz Rd., Caro, Michigan on Thursday, December 19, 2013 at 8:00 A.M.

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

Motion by Parsell seconded by Sheridan that the minutes of the December 5, 2013 regular meeting of the Board be approved. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Payroll in the amount of \$98,812.73 and bills in the amount of \$183,378.99 covered by vouchers #13-50, #13-51, and #HRA-12 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) Millington Township Trustee Bob Worth asked the Board the status of removing dying ash trees along Tuscola County roadways. Superintendent/Manager Jay Tuckey explained the Road Commission's policy regarding tree removal during routine maintenance.
- (2) Tuscola County Commissioner Craig Kirkpatrick asked the Board if any private contractors have been contacted regarding the removal of dying ash trees along Tuscola County roadways. Superintendent/Manager Jay Tuckey reported that no contractors have been contacted. Tuckey further reported that the Road Commission is removing dead trees along roadways as deemed necessary and as time allows, as well as researching for a possible grant to assist in the funding for tree removal maintenance.
- (3) Millington Township Trustee Bob Worth reported to the Board that there have been no accidents at the intersection of Millington Road and Sheridan Road since the 4-way stop light was installed.

Motion by Zwerk seconded by Parsell that the Road Commission hire Andy Hecht as a full time employee in the Laborer classification effective immediately pending drug & alcohol testing; all in accordance with the Union Labor Agreement. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Management and the Board further discussed road damage caused in conjunction with a R.O.W. Permit issued to I.T.C. and MJ Electric. County Highway Engineer Zawerucha reported to the Board that a meeting was held with representatives from I.T.C. to review the road damage locations. Zawerucha also presented to the Board a revised list of road repairs and revised cost estimates. Zawerucha further reported of hopes to resolve this issue after visual inspection in the spring. After further discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak to accept the revised information regarding road damage caused in conjunction with a R.O.W. Permit issued to 1.T.C. and MJ Electric; and to direct Management to proceed in resolving this issue. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

# **BUDGET HEARING**

At 8:15 A.M. a budget hearing was held to hear any comments regarding the proposed 2014 Budget for the Tuscola County Road Commission. Director of Finance Michael Tuckey presented the proposed 2014 Budget. After hearing comments from the public, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk that the proposed 2014 Budget for the Tuscola County Road Commission be adopted as presented. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Several Road Commission retirees appeared before the Board to discuss an office personnel incident from the year 2008. Road Commission Retiree Charles Dennis read a statement in regards to the incident. The Board reported that the incident was investigated including legal counsel, the employees involved were addressed, the office was redesigned and its access limited, policies were adopted, and that the Road Commission considers the matter resolved.

Management and the Board further discussed a request from the Tuscola County Board in regards to appealing a decision made by the Michigan State Tax Commission related to tax payments for wind generator personal property. The Tuscola County Board has entered into an intergovernmental agreement with Huron, Gratiot, Mason, and Sanilac Counties to share in the legal expenses regarding the appeal, and has requested that the Tuscola County Road Commission participate in sharing the legal expenses in ratio with the primary road and local bridge millages. Members of Management and the Board attended an informational meeting regarding wind energy assessing and taxation on December 9, 2013. After further discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak to grant the request from the Tuscola County Board and that the Tuscola County Road Commission will participate with sharing in the legal expenses in ratio with the primary road and local bridge millages in regards to appealing a decision made by the Michigan State Tax Commission related to tax payments for wind generator personal property, all in accordance with the Michigan Renewable Energy Coalition Intergovernmental Agreement between Tuscola, Huron, Gratiot, Mason, and Sanilac Counties regarding the appeal. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Zwerk seconded by Sheridan to appoint Commissioners Gary Parsell and Julie Matuszak to serve on the Tuscola County Road Commission Personnel Committee. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the meeting be adjourned at 9:20 A.M. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Chairman

Secretary-Clerk of the Board