



# MINUTES

## Committee of the Whole Meeting

**8:00 AM - Monday, August 25, 2025**

H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln St., Caro, MI 48723

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Commissioner Vaughan called the regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln St., Caro, MI 48723, on Monday, August 25, 2025, to order at 8:00 AM local time.

Roll Call - Deputy Clerk Tanya Pisha

Commissioners Present In-Person: John Goodchild, Thomas Bardwell, Kim Vaughan, Bill Lutz

Commissioners Absent: Matt Koch

Others Present In-Person: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Eean Lee, Steve Anderson, Mike Miller, Tanya Pisha, Jim Tussey, Steve Anderson, Karly Creguer, Larry Zapfe, Alisha Proctor, Drain Commissioner Dara Hood

Also Present Virtual: Tracy Violet, Mary Drier, Rob Wrona, Shelly Lutz, James McLoskey, Bonnie Fackler, Tyler Ray, John Boggs, Angie House, Debbie Babich, Ashley Gaudett, Drain Commissioner Dara Hood, Amanda Ertman, Katie Robinson, Judy Cockerill, Karlee Romain, Robert Baxter, Cindy McKinney-Volz, Linda Strasz, Cody Horton, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Curtis Elenbaum, Chad Tumblin, Toni James, Carrie Tabar, Jon Ramirez, Shannon Beach, Sherry Billot, Register Marianne Brandt, Barry Lapp

At 8:01 a.m., there were a total of 21 participants attending the meeting virtually.

### **New Business**

1. Follow-up on Board of Commissioners' Request for Economic Development Commission (EDC) 2023 SBR Fund Disbursement -  
Jim Tussey, EDC Chairman, reviewed the \$500,000.00 received from the Board of Commissioners from the Provision of Government Services (PGS) funds. The breakdown of how the funds were disbursed as of 2023 was discussed. Loans given to local businesses are in repayment status. Currently, there is \$11,300.00 remaining to disburse.

2. Economic Development Commission (EDC) Request for Board Of Commissioners to Reinstate Active EDC Board Members -  
Jim Tussey, EDC Chairman and Jodi Fetting, Tuscola County Clerk, reviewed the proposed layout for the EDC Board of Directors. Also, members that have resigned and members that no longer attend meetings were discussed to have them removed from the EDC Board of Directors. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
3. Economic Development Commission (EDC) and Tuscola County Draft Lease Agreement as Requested -  
Jim Tussey, EDC Chairman, stated the current EDC lease is expiring. The EDC Office will be moving to shared space at the MSU Extension Building. No millage funds will be used for this endeavor. The proposed Memorandum of Understanding is to have an effective date of August 28, 2025. Matter to be placed on Thursday's agenda.
4. Request to Purchase Additional Fogging Material -  
Larry Zapfe, Mosquito Abatement Director, presented a request to purchase truck fogging material. He is requesting a line-item transfer in order to fund the purchase that is within his current budget. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
5. Rules of the Tuscola County Drain Commissioner for Stormwater Drainage - Dara Hood, Drain Commissioner -  
Drain Commissioner Dara Hood presented the proposed rules for Stormwater Drainage to allow for public distribution and to assist in answering questions received from the public. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
6. Wolverine Power Systems Agreement 2025 -  
Mike Miller, Buildings/Grounds and Recycling Director, reviewed the proposed generator agreement which will cover the Jail, Annex, MSP Building, PSB Building, and the portable generator. The proposed agreement is for \$8,860.00 per year. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
7. Opening of Bids for Michigan State Police (MSP) Parking Lot -  
Mike Miller, Buildings/Grounds and Recycling Director, opened the bids received for the project. There is \$25,000.00 budgeted for this project.
  1. TBD Construction Services, Grand Rapids - \$29,325.00
  2. Pyramid Paving and Contracting, Bay City - \$38,090.00
  3. Yeager Asphalt and Paving, Carrollton - \$22,770.00

Director Miller to review the bids received and he will bring a recommendation to the Board. Matter to be placed on Thursday's agenda.
8. Tuscola County Medical Care Facility Fund Transfer Request -  
Erica Dibble, Controller/Administrator, reviewed the request received from the Medical Care Facility. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

9. Review of Provision of Government Services (PGS) Formally ARPA Funds Usage Tracker -

Erica Dibble, Controller/Administrator, reviewed the PGS tracker and potential use of balance. The PGS tracker has been updated to include the 2025 approved spending and any adjustments previously authorized but not included on the tracker.

The Controller/Administrator's Office is preparing a budget forecast with a 5-year forecast to be included to be presented at an upcoming Board meeting.

Remaining PGS funds to be placed in a separate line item under unassigned funds for tracking purposes.

The PSB Building project was discussed. The contractor has to complete the remaining items for final payment. Project is approximately \$7,000.00 over budget.

## **Old Business**

None

## **Finance/Technology**

### ***Primary Finance/Technology***

None

### ***On-Going and Other Finance***

None

### ***On-Going and Other Technology***

The new Department employee has started in the position.

## **Building and Grounds**

### ***Primary Building and Grounds***

None

### ***On-Going and Other Building and Grounds***

None

## **Personnel**

### ***Primary Personnel***

None

### ***On-Going and Other Personnel***

None

### **Other Business as Necessary**

1. Courthouse Rosary Gathering Request -  
Request received from Dave Kolacz. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

### **Public Comment Period**

Clerk Fetting reviewed items that will be placed on the November 4, 2025 Special Election.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Bill Lutz, seconded by John Goodchild to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 a.m.  
Motion Carried.

Jodi Fetting  
Tuscola County Clerk, MCCO

Tanya Pisha  
Deputy Clerk