



# MINUTES

## Committee of the Whole Meeting

**8:00 AM - Monday, September 8, 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, September 8, 2025, to order at 8:00 AM local time.

Roll Call - Deputy Clerk Katherine Robinson

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

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present In-Person: Katherine Robinson, Eean Lee, Steve Anderson, Mike Miller, Erica Dibble, Jon Rameriz, Sheriff Ryan Robinson, Jane Rymarczyk, Micheal Clinesmith, Nancy Barrios, Robert Baxter

Also Present Virtual: Mary Drier, Kyle Nordstorm, Carrie Tabar, Pam Shook, Clerk Jodi Fetting, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Cody Horton, Tanya Pisha, Angie House, Ashley Gaudett, Debbie Babich, Register Marianne Brandt, Angie Daniels, Chad Tumblin, Tim Green, Drain Commissioner Dara Hood, Kandi Teddy, Krystria Skakie, Linda Strasz, Scienna Nieschulz, Shannon Beach

At 8:00a.m., there were a total of 13 participants attending the meeting virtually.

### **New Business**

1. Tuscola County Advisory Council on Aging Bylaws -  
Jane Rymarczyk, Council on Aging Secretary, presented the update of the bylaws. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
2. Parks and Recreation Request to Approve Site Plan Estimates by Spicer for Kayak Launch on the Cass River -  
Michael Clinesmith, Parks and Recreation Chair, presented the concept plan and cost estimate to develop a canoe/kayak launch site along the Cass River Water Trail. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
3. Sheriff's Request to Purchase Tactical Shields -  
Robert Baxter, Undersheriff, presented the quote that was received for the Tactical Shields. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

4. Tuscola FY26 County Veterans Services Fund (CVSF) Grant Agreement - Erica Dibble, Controller/Administrator, presented that Veterans Affairs is requesting Commissioner Kim Vaughan to accept and sign the Grant Agreement. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
5. Michigan Counties Worker's Compensation Fund Update - Thomas Bardwell, Commissioner, requested this matter be placed on Thursday's Agenda.

## **Old Business**

None

## **Finance/Technology**

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

1. General Fund Budget Adjustment Request - Erica Dibble, Controller/Administrator, explained the report in the Agenda and shared that the revenue is greater than budgeted. Matter to be placed on Thursday's Agenda.

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

None

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

Eean Lee, Chief Information Officer, presented that there is an Artificial Intelligence (AI) policy in development.

## **Building and Grounds**

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

None

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

None

## **Personnel**

### ***Primary Personnel***

1. Sheriff's Request to Hire Raelyn Sonnenberg - Sheriff Ryan Robinson presented the request to fill the vacant position. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
2. Dispatch Director's Request to Hire Nicole McMullen - Jon Ramirez, Dispatch Director, presented the request to fill the vacant position. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

3. Dispatch Director's Request to Hire Remington Lough -  
Jon Ramirez, Dispatch Director, presented the request to fill the vacant position. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
4. Prosecutor's Request to Hire Rosemary Kuebitz -  
Erica Dibble, Controller/Administrator, presented that Prosecutor Erica Walle is requesting to fill the vacant position. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

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

Thomas Bardwell, Commissioner, discussed the upcoming MAC conference.

**Other Business as Necessary**

None

**Public Comment Period**

None

**Adjournment**

Motion by Bill Lutz, seconded by John Goodchild to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 a.m.  
Motion Carried.

Katherine Robinson  
Tuscola County Deputy Clerk