

**Tuscola County Board of Commissioners**  
**February 29, 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 29th day of February, 2012 to order at 8:30 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer by Commissioner Petzold  
Pledge by Commissioner Kern

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

District #2 Thomas Bardwell, District #3 Tom Kern  
District #4 Roy Petzold

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** District #1 Roger Allen, District #5 Gerald Peterson

12-M-033

Motion by Kern seconded by Petzold to adopt the agenda with added resolution. Motion carried.

12-M-034

Motion by Kern seconded by Petzold to approve the minutes of the 2/14/2012 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Brief Public Comment –

Gretchen Tenbush – Tuscola County Health Department, regarding furlough days and the impact it would have on the Department and the revenue that is generated.

Cindy Woodruff - Title Company Representative, regarding cost to search tax records and questioned if there could be a flat rate charged rather than per search fee.

Dan Grimshaw – Title Company Representative, supporting Cindy Woodruff's request.

Dan Grimshaw - Register of Deeds regarding the furlough days and how the motion is presented and when it would become effective.

12-M-35

It was moved by Commissioner Kern and supported by Commissioner Petzold that the following Consent Agenda Resolution be adopted without Agenda Reference A (Furlough Days – Matter tabled until April 26<sup>th</sup> meeting):

## CONSENT AGENDA

- Agenda Reference:** B
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 2/16/12
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the recommendation of the Chief Judge, (contained in February 10, 2012 correspondence) that the Child Care Fund Financial Management services contract with MGT be terminated upon approval of this consent agenda action.
- Agenda Reference:** C
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 2/16/12
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the February 14, 2012 letter of request from the Undersheriff to authorize application to the USDA Rural Development for a grant to provide financial assistance in purchasing police patrol vehicles for the Sheriff's Department.
- Agenda Reference:** D
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 2/16/12
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the February 16, 2012 letter of request from the Co-Directors at Mosquito Abatement that authorization is given to hire the seasonal employees.
- Agenda Reference:** E
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 2/16/12
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the February 16, 2012 letter of request from the Co-Directors at Mosquito Abatement that authorization is given to purchase the 2012 budgeted mosquito treatment materials totaling \$122,188.90

- Agenda Reference:** F
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 2/16/12
- Description of Matter:** Move that the correspondence related to the LEAD Tuscola program be distributed to elected and appointed officials to determine if there are any county employees interested in participating in the program for the 2012-2013 class.

**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.

12-M-36

Move that the Mosquito Abatement 2011 Annual Report be received and placed on file. Kern motioned seconded by Petzold. Motion carried.

12-M-37

Move that effective with the current year, the Caro DDA/TIFA capture for the portion of the Caro DDA/TIFA that was formed under the original law be allowed to be collected at 75% of the capture instead of 100%. (The city has captured at 100% in this area since 2001. The 2001 county board resolution provided for 75% capture. This situation will be corrected with the current fiscal year and only 75% will be allowed to be collected in this fiscal year instead of 100%). Kern motioned seconded by Petzold. Motion carried.

12-M-38

Move that per the February 13, 2012 letter of recommendation that the following members be re-appointed to the Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems Board effective March 31, 2012 for three year-terms: Raymond Bates, Brenda Ryan, and Marianne Harrington. Kern motioned seconded by Petzold. Motion carried.

Tom Hausmann presented an update for the Domestic Violence Victim Advocate Program.

## 12-M-39

Move to support the Domestic Violence Victim Advocate Program in reapplying for the grant to continue the program. Kern motioned seconded by Petzold. Motion carried.

## 12-M-40

Move that a Tuscola County resolution be prepared and forwarded to appropriate state officials in support of Representative Damrow's proposed legislation, HB 5278 and 5279 regarding a fair and equitable method of wind energy taxation. Kern motioned seconded by Petzold. Motion carried.

## 12-M-41

Move that authorization is provided to expend up to \$3,000 from the current budgeted legal account to obtain legal assistance to appeal to the State Tax Commission regarding establishing a fair and logical method of assessing wind generators. Kern motioned seconded by Petzold. Motion carried.

## 12-M-42

Move that per the request of the Caro Chamber that use of the Courthouse Lawn be authorized for the following events and dates: Cars and Craft June 1-2, 2012 and Pumpkin Festival September 26-October 9, 2012. Petzold motioned seconded by Kern. Motion carried.

## 12-M-43

Move that the Refunding Bond Resolution for the Denmark Township Bonds be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized. Kern motioned seconded by Petzold. Motion carried.

## 12-M-44

Move that year-end financial accounting adjustments to gain compliance with the uniform budgeting and accounting, as recommended in the February 24, 2012 memorandum from the Controller/Administrator and Chief Accountant, be approved for implementation. Kern motioned seconded by Petzold. Motion carried.

## 12-M-45

Move to approve the resolution and intergovernmental agreement to manage floodplain development for the National Flood Insurance program for Fremont Township with enforcement of the construction code act provided through the agreement the county has with South Central Michigan Construction Code Commission. Also, all appropriate signatures for the resolution and agreement are authorized. Kern motioned seconded by Petzold. Motion carried.

12-M-46

Move that the resolution in honor of Mr. Herman G. Kratz be approved and be recorded as part of the permanent records of Tuscola County. Kern motioned seconded by Petzold. Motion carried.

Extended Public Comment

Pat Finn appeared as the millage failed and looking for the future of his position.

Dan Grimshaw provided information on new house bill pending. Also, Mr. Grimshaw spoke regarding millages that Tuscola County has on the books.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Jodi Fetting  
Chief Deputy Clerk