

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
October 13, 2016 Minutes
H. H. Purdy Building

Commissioner 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 13th day of October 2016, to order at 8:00 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Commissioner Young

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Bierlein

Roll Call – Clerk Fetting

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young, District 2 – Thomas Bardwell, District 4 – Craig Kirkpatrick, District 5 – Matthew Bierlein

Commissioner Absent: District 3 - Christine Trisch

Also Present: Mike Hoagland, Jodi Fetting, Tisha Jones, Mike Miller, Register John Bishop, Steve Anderson, Caryn Painter, Sandy Nielsen, Lieutenant Brian Harris, Andrew Dietderich, Steve Erickson, Vicky Sherry, Bill Bushaw, Glen Roth, Kim Vaughan, Mark Multar, Ron Anderson, Elaine Kaiser, Erica Dibble, Bob Kendrick

Adoption of Agenda -

16-M-171

Motion by Young, seconded by Kirkpatrick to adopt the agenda. Motion Carried.

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -

16-M-172

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Young to adopt the meeting minutes from the September 29, 2016 meeting. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period - None

Consent Agenda Resolution -

16-M-173

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young that the following Consent Agenda Resolution from the October 10, 2016 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted with correction to Item A. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Agenda Reference:** A
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/10/16
- Description of Matter:** Move that the Emergency Services Director is authorized to purchase a new cellular telephone from Verizon to replace the current cellular telephone which is non-functioning. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized for said agreement.
- Agenda Reference:** B
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/10/16
- Description of Matter:** Move that authorization is given to purchase six Chromebooks to improve remote communications in the Board of Commissioners meeting room. Also, budget amendments in the amount of \$1,500 are authorized to purchase the Chromebooks.
- Agenda Reference:** C
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/10/16
- Description of Matter:** Move that the 2017 first draft all funds county budget with changes as discussed at the October 10, 2016 Committee of the Whole meeting be authorized to be sent to respective departments for review and comment.
- Agenda Reference:** D
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/10/16
- Description of Matter:** Move that the 2015 Medical Examiner Annual Report be received and placed on file.
- Agenda Reference:** E
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/10/16
- Description of Matter:** Move that a letter of support be authorized to be sent for the Human Development Commission to apply for a Homebuyer Purchase Rehabilitation Program through the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (no county match required).

- Agenda Reference:** F
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/10/16
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the recommendation of the Recycling Coordinator that the 2016/2017 Clean Sweep Grant Agreement (no match) be approved in the amount of \$25,000. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.
- Agenda Reference:** G
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/10/16
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the request of the County Clerk, that a part-time temporary Court Clerk I employee be authorized to be hired at Step 1 of the pay scale to assist while a current full-time employee is out on leave. Upon return of the employee on leave, the part-time temporary position is authorized to work for a maximum of six additional weeks.
- Agenda Reference:** H
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/10/16
- Description of Matter:** Move to approve the hiring of Anthony Valentine to fill a vacant part-time recycling position at the beginning pay rate effective October 31, 2016 contingent upon satisfactory physical and background check.
- Agenda Reference:** I
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/10/16
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the request of the Equalization Director to concur with the hiring of Melissa Jaster to fill a vacant Property Appraiser I position at the beginning rate of pay effective November 14, 2016 contingent upon satisfactory physical and background check.
- Agenda Reference:** J
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/10/16
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the request of the Equalization Director to authorize filling the second vacant Property Appraiser I position created when the current Appraiser II was appointed Equalization Director.

*New Business -**-EDC Update of Activities -*

-Mark Multar is the owner of the new grocery store opening in Cass City. He provided an update to the progress being made. It is expected there will be 60 jobs created. He is very excited and feels very welcome in the community.

-Ron Anderson is the owner of Riverside Grill in Vassar. The restaurant has created 20 jobs in the local area. The restaurant has been very busy and is open 7-days a week.

-Vicky Sherry updated the Board on the progress of the Incubator Kitchen opening in the Millington area. There is also plans for an Incubator Kitchen to open in Northeastern part of Tuscola County.

-Vicky Sherry updated the Board on the Park Plan and grant.

-Steve Erickson updated the Board on other possible projects that he is working on for Tuscola County.

-Local Bridge Millage Transfer Request - Mike Hoagland explained the request.

16-M-174

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young that per the request of the County Road Commission that \$245,593.14 be authorized for transfer from the Voter Bridge Millage Fund to the Regular Road Commission Fund as identified in Voucher #1-16 dated October 10, 2016. Motion Carried.

-Contract for Expanded Medical Services in Jail - Lieutenant Brian Harris and Elaine Kaiser explained to the Board the need to increase the hours of the onsite nurse from 32 hours per week to 40 hours per week. It is expected to provide an annual cost savings. The Board would like to review the amount of what the cost savings could be if implemented. Matter to be placed on the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

Recessed at 9:10 a.m.

Reconvened at 9:23 a.m.

-Closed Session - Labor Negotiations -

16-M-175

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Kirkpatrick that the Board meet in closed session under section 8c of the Open Meetings Act, to discuss labor negotiations with Erica Dibble, Bob Kendrick and Mike Hoagland to be allowed to attend the closed session.

Roll Call Vote: Young - yes; Kirkpatrick - yes; Bierlein - yes; Bardwell - yes; Trisch - absent. Motion Carried.

Reconvened from Closed Session at 10:24 a.m.

-New Health Officer Employment Contract - Mike Hoagland provided an overview of the contract.

16-M-176

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Bierlein that the Employment Contract with Ann Hepfer regarding service as the Tuscola County Health Officer be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized. Motion Carried.

-Information Technology Support Services Agreement for Village of Millington - Mike Hoagland explained to the proposed agreement.

16-M-177

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Bierlein that the Tuscola County Information Technology Support Services Agreement (hourly billed services) with the Village of Millington be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized. Motion Carried.

-Cass River Tire Program Extension - Mike Hoagland researched and there is not a termination timeline for the program.

Old Business -

-Mike Hoagland has reviewed the savings that could be recognized for changing from the Defined Benefit plan to the Defined Contribution plan for the Health plan. Board would like Mike to contact Gretchen Tenbusch and Ann Hepfer to move forward.

-Commissioner Bardwell would like to have an overview provided at an upcoming meeting regarding the exempt vs. nonexempt salary employees.

Correspondence/Resolutions - None

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

BARDWELL

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment

Caro DDA/TIFA - Meeting was held yesterday with the resignation of Mike

Bauerschmidt as chairperson and from the committee.

MAC Economic Development/Taxation

MAC 7th District

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

TRIAD

Human Services Collaborative Council

Behavioral Health Systems Board

BIERLEIN

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
Human Development Commission (HDC)
Tuscola 2020
Recycling Advisory Committee - Committee voted in favor of moving forward in expansion efforts.
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
Great Start Collaborative Council
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
Tuscola In-Sync
MAC Board of Directors

TRISCH - absent

Board of Health
Planning Commission
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
Animal Control
Solid Waste Management

KIRKPATRICK

Board of Health
Community Corrections Advisory Board
Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison - Land purchase has been completed and closing has taken place.
Land Acquisition
MI Renewable Energy Coalition
MEMS All Hazards - Working to coordinate a conversation between Enbridge and Steve Anderson.
MAC-Environment Energy Land Use
Cass River Greenways Pathway
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
Tuscola In Sync
NACO- Energy, Environment & Land Use
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
Jail Planning Committee

YOUNG

Dispatch Authority Board

County Road Commission

Board of Public Works

Senior Services Advisory Council

Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee

Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative

Parks & Recreation

Local Unit of Government Activity Report - Attended a Consumers Energy seminar teaching the basics of a wind farm that was well attended.

MAC Economic Development & Taxation Committee

Human Services Collaborative Council

Region VI Economic Development Planning

MAC Judiciary Committee

Closed Session - Held at 9:23 a.m.

Other Business as Necessary - None

Extended Public Comment - None

Meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

Jodi Fetting

Tuscola County Clerk