

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

May 11, 2017 Minutes

H. H. Purdy Building

Commissioner Matthew Bierlein 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 11th day of May 2017, to order at 8:00 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Pastor Mark Karwowski, Living Word Worship Center, Cass City

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Vaughan

Roll Call – Clerk Fetting

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young, District 3 - Kim Vaughan, District 4 – Craig Kirkpatrick, District 5 – Matthew Bierlein

Commissioner Absent: District 2 – Thomas Bardwell

Also Present: Mike Hoagland, Clerk Jodi Fetting, Eean Lee, Mike Miller, Register John Bishop, Tisha Jones, Pastor Mark Karwowski, Sheriff Glen Skrent, Steve Erickson, Vicky Sherry, Curtis Stowe, Dean Tomlinson, Susan Holder, Damian Wasik, Kim Green, Ryan Piche, Bob Wolak, Even Osentoski, Mark Ransford, Undersheriff Bob Baxter, Mark Klosowski

Adoption of Agenda

17-M-075

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

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -

17-M-076

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Young to adopt the meeting minutes from the April 27, 2017 meeting. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only - None

Consent Agenda Resolution -

17-M-077

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan that the following Consent Agenda Resolution from the May 8, 2017 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted.
Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Agenda Reference:** A
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 5/8/17
- Description of Matter:** Move that the 2016 Animal Control Annual Report be received and placed on file.
- Agenda Reference:** B
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 5/8/17
- Description of Matter:** Move that authorization is given to obtain assistance from the county attorney to prepare draft ballot language to request a Road Patrol Millage of 1.33 mills. The current road patrol millage is .9 mill. This would be increased by .43 mills for a total of 1.33 to provide for four additional road patrol officers and officer with a search dog.
- Agenda Reference:** C
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 5/8/17
- Description of Matter:** Move that authorization is given to the Register of Deeds to terminate its current contract with Conduent for software and support services and enter into a contract with Kofile for similar software and support services.
- Agenda Reference:** D
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 5/8/17
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the request of Tuscola County Pumpkin Festival Board that authorization is given to use the Courthouse Lawn during the 2017 Pumpkin Festival from October 1, 2017 through October 8, 2017.
- Agenda Reference:** E
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 5/8/17
- Description of Matter:** Move that the 2017 budgeted jail rooftop air conditioner be awarded to MJ Mechanical who was the low bidder for an amount of \$16,916.50.

- Agenda Reference:** F
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 5/8/17
- Description of Matter:** Move that the 2017 budgeted Maintenance Vehicle be awarded to LaFontaine Ford who was the low bidder for an amount of \$32,717.55.
- Agenda Reference:** G
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 5/8/17
- Description of Matter:** Move that Campbell and Associates be hired for an amount of \$6,500.00 to provide architectural services needed to relocate the county recycling operation to the new site.

New Business -

-Caro Regional Center Update - Mike Hoagland stated the website has been updated with information in support of the Caro Center to stay in Tuscola County.

www.tuscolacounty.org/carocenter

Mike Hoagland met with the Employee's Union Representative yesterday.

Board opened the floor to the public for discussion:

Damian Wasik - Questioned the Board if they were aware of the criteria being used to determine a location. The Board's understanding is the State is looking to have the Center centrally located in the Region. Also discussed, was what could be done to add value to the property the Caro Center is located on. Benefits of the amount of land and utilities available were discussed. City of Caro would be interested an opportunity to discuss extending water to the Center.

Mark Ransford - The question was raised if Brownfield Development could be utilized to aid in the demolition of the unusable buildings. Discussion followed.

Kim Green - Kim suggested attending a Committee Meeting with key legislators present to allow for a face-to-face discussion of the matter. She felt Senator Green may be able to assist with communicating the date and time to attend. Discussion continued with the importance of contacting Legislators, the Department of Health and Humans Services Director and Governor Snyder. Commissioner Bierlein will contact MAC for key Legislators to contact.

Ryan Piche - Ryan suggested doing a phone bank and allowing a time frame for community members to come in and make phone calls.

Mark Ransford - Mark feels social media could be key. Also, contacting the media and getting them involved.

Sheriff Glen Skrent - Sheriff Skrent stated that Caro is already considered at or below federal poverty level.

Mike Hoagland and Ryan Piche will work together to set up a public hearing for next week and to set up a phone bank location.

-Building Codes Update - Curtis Stowe presented to the Board regarding with an overview of the permits issued from 2013 to 2016. He also provided how many permits have been issued to date in 2017.

17-M-078

Motion by Young, seconded by Kirkpatrick that the 2016 Building Codes Annual Report be received and placed on file. Motion Carried.

-2017 Millage Request Report - Report included in Board packet.

17-M-079

Motion by Young, seconded by Kirkpatrick that the 2017 Tax Rate Request Report, as presented by the County Equalization Director, be approved and authorized for signature. Motion Carried.

-Millage Planning - Reese Public Schools, Vassar Public Schools and Millington Community Schools will have ballot language on the August 2017 ballot. Board discussed if the Road Patrol and Senior Millages should be placed on the August 2017 ballot. Mike Hoagland to contact Brian Neuville regarding the Senior millage. Mike will also work to have language prepared for the special meeting Tuesday.

17-M-080

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Young that a Board meeting be scheduled for Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. to discuss millage planning. Motion Carried.

Recessed at 9:19 a.m.

Reconvened at 9:31 a.m.

-Jail Change Orders - Mike Miller reviewed the proposed change orders.

17-M-081

Motion by Young, seconded by Kirkpatrick that the requested change order for Piping and Valves for the Control room of the Jail be approved for an amount of \$3,988.00 and that the Jail Plumbing Project budget be amended for the same amount. Motion Carried.

17-M-082

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Young that the requested change order for the Powers Mixing Valve be approved for an amount of \$3,740.00 and that the Jail Plumbing Project budget be amended for the same amount. (This valve supplies tempered water to A and B Wings of the Jail.) Motion Carried.

17-M-083

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Young that the requested change order for the Hot Water Storage tank be approved for an amount of \$4,430.00 and that the Jail Plumbing Project budget be amended for the same amount. Motion Carried.

17-M-084

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan that the requested change order for the Water Heater Piping and Valves be approved for an amount of \$5,720.00 and that the Jail Plumbing Project budget be amended for the same amount. Motion Carried.

-Mosquito Abatement New Job Classification Request - Kim Green explained to the Board the need for the classification request.

17-M-085

Motion by Young, seconded by Kirkpatrick that per the request of the Mosquito Abatement Director to authorize the addition of seasonal job title Technician Level 2. Currently, there are three Technicians that meet the more labor intensive position that is required for townships that require this special attention due to habitat and population. Motion Carried.

-LEAD Program - Clerk Jodi Fetting informed the Board that she has an employee interested in attending the LEAD program and the benefits she feels the program brings.

17-M-086

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan that Stacey Wilcox be authorized to participate in the next year LEAD program. Motion Carried.

-Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems Board Vacancy - Raymond Bates resigned from the Board and the position needs to be advertised.

17-M-087

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan that the County Clerk be authorized to advertise to fill a vacancy on the Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems Board. Motion Carried.

-Election Vendor Selection for Tuscola County(matter added) - Clerk Jodi Fetting presented to the Board the reasons why Dominion Voting Systems and Election Source were selected as the next election vendor for Tuscola County and local jurisdictions. Clerk Fetting is planning to launch the new equipment in November 2017.

17-M-088

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Young that Jodi Fetting, Tuscola County Clerk, apply to the Secretary of State for a grant on behalf of Tuscola County to purchase a new voting system from Dominion Voting Systems, which includes precinct tabulators, ADA ballot marking devices and related Election Management System (EMS) software.

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

Old Business - None

Correspondence/Resolutions -

- Tuscola Brownfield Redevelopment Meeting - May 16, 2017.
- MHSDA Blight Elimination Program
- MAC Regional Summits have been scheduled.
- Sheriff's Mounted Division - Liability concerns to be researched.

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

YOUNG

Dispatch Authority Board - Meets next week.

County Road Commission Liaison - 2017 projects were reviewed at meeting.

Board of Public Works

Senior Services Advisory Council

Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative

Local Unit of Government Activity Report - Update provided on various events attended.

MAC Economic Development & Taxation Committee

Strategic EDC Planning Committee - Update provided from meeting last week regarding their 5-year plan.

Jail Planning Committee

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works - Meets tomorrow.

Region VI Economic Development Planning - Update provided.

Tuscola 2020 - Update provided regarding two businesses that will be under their umbrella for assistance.

BARDWELL - absent

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment

Caro DDA/TIFA

MAC Finance

MAC 7th District

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

TRIAD

Behavioral Health Systems Board

MAC Workers Comp Board

KIRKPATRICK - Commissioner Kirkpatrick shared a concern of limiting the number of committee meetings that can be attended in one day to two.

Board of Health

Community Corrections Advisory Board

Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison

MI Renewable Energy Coalition

MEMS All Hazards

MAC Environmental Regulatory – Vice Chair

Cass River Greenways Pathway

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

NACO- Energy, Environment & Land Use

Jail Planning Committee

Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative

Tuscola In-Sync

Region VI Tourism Discussions

BIERLEIN

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works

Human Development Commission (HDC)

Recycling Advisory Committee

Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

Great Start Collaborative Council

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

MAC Board of Directors

Human Services Collaborative Council

MAC Judiciary Committee

Tuscola County College Access Network

MAC Agricultural Committee - Update provided regarding change in the organization of the USDA, Rural Development.

VAUGHAN

Board of Health

Planning Commission

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee

Parks and Recreation Commission - Park grant discussed.

Tuscola County Fair Board Liaison

Other Business as Necessary -

-Response to email request regarding finances has been sent.

Extended Public Comment -

-May 19, 2017 wind forum, place to be determined, has been scheduled for 5:30 p.m. hosted by Representative Gary Glen. Congressman Mitchell and Representative Canfield are expected to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk