

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
June 14, 2018 Minutes  
H. H. Purdy Building

Commissioner 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 14th day of June 2018, to order at 8:00 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Reverend Doug Abel, Vassar Presbyterian Church

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Bardwell

Roll Call – Clerk Fetting

Commissioners Present: District 2 - Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Kim Vaughan, District 4 - Craig Kirkpatrick

Commissioner Absent: District 1 - Thomas Young, District 5 – Matthew Bierlein

Also Present: Clayette Zechmeister, Clerk Jodi Fetting, Eean Lee, Tisha Jones, Mike Miller, Rick Lipan, Melvin Campbell, Susan Campbell, Mary Brissette, Caryn Michalak, Steve Anderson, Reverend Doug Abel, Undersheriff Bob Baxter, Sandy Nielsen

*Adoption of Agenda -*

18-M-092

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan to adopt the agenda as presented.  
Motion Carried.

*Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -*

18-M-093

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan to adopt the meeting minutes from the May 24, 2018 Board and Statutory Finance meetings and the June 11, 2018 Committee of the Whole and Board meetings. Motion Carried.

*Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only - None*

*Consent Agenda Resolution -*

18-M-094

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan that the following Consent Agenda Resolution from the June 11, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted.  
Motion Carried.

## CONSENT AGENDA

- Agenda Reference:** A
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 6/11/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that the legal services retainer with Clark Hill concerning chargebacks and other matters related to the former Vassar Foundry delinquent taxes be approved and the County Treasurer and Board Chair be authorized to sign.
- Agenda Reference:** B
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 6/11/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the request of the Sheriff that the out-of-state travel request for Det./Sgt. Jim Hook to attend cyber forensics training in Hoover, Alabama be approved with the understanding that all costs are paid by the United States Secret Service.
- Agenda Reference:** C
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 6/11/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that the original Consulting Services Agreement with MGT of America be extended for two years to prepare 2017 and 2018 county Central Service Cost Allocation Plans. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.
- Agenda Reference:** D
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 6/11/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that the \$2,500 Northstar Bank donation to Tuscola County be divided with \$1,250 dedicated to Tuscola County Animal Control and \$1,250 dedicated to Vanderbilt Park.
- Agenda Reference:** E
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 6/11/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that the letter of resignation from Dr. Bush as the Tuscola County Medical Director be received and placed on file with said resignation effective September 30, 2018.

- Agenda Reference:** F
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 6/11/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the recommendation of the Board of Health that the Veterans Committee Operating Procedures be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized.

*New Business*

- Caro Dam Update - Rick Lipan presented to the Board regarding the Caro Dam. He reviewed various grants that were applied for although unsuccessful. Rick also reviewed an upcoming grant cycle that an application will be completed for. Rick is hoping the costs of repairs could be shared by Tuscola County, City of Caro, Indianfields Township and Eric Fox. The Board will contact the county attorney for assistance in this matter.
- Concur with the hiring of the Animal Control Officer -  
18-M-095  
Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan to concur with the hiring of Amanda Berlin to the position of Animal Control Officer effective July 2, 2018 at the starting rate of pay contingent upon satisfactory physical and background checks. Motion Carried.
- Concur with the hiring of the Animal Control Assistant -  
18-M-096  
Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan to concur with the hiring of Kristina Beckman to the position of Animal Control Assistant effective June 25, 2018 at the starting rate of pay contingent upon satisfactory physical and background checks. Motion Carried.
- Asphalt Bids for the driveways to Human Services complex and Adult Probation Building - Mike Miller reviewed the bids opened at the Committee of the Whole meeting and made recommendations based on the company that was the low bidder.
- 18-M-097  
Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan that the bid to resurface the driveway to the Human Service Complex be awarded to Esch Landscaping LLC who was the low bidder for an amount of \$89,900. Also, the capital improvement budget established for this project be amended and increased from \$60,000 to \$89,800. Motion Carried.
- 18-M-098  
Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan that the bid to resurface the Adult Probation parking lot be awarded to Esch Landscaping LLC who was the low

bidder for an amount of \$34,225. Also, the capital improvement budget established for this project be amended and increased from \$17,000 to \$34,225. Motion Carried.

-County Clerk appointment of Chief Deputy Clerk -

18-M-099

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan that the county hiring freeze be temporarily lifted and Caryl Langmaid be appointed Chief Deputy County Clerk effective June 18, 2018 at the beginning rate of pay. Motion Carried.

18-M-100

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan that the county hiring freeze be temporarily lifted and the County Clerk be authorized to refill the vacant Court Clerk I position created by the promotion of Caryl Langmaid to the position of Chief Deputy County Clerk. Motion Carried.

-Sheriff Office K9 Bid Award - Undersheriff Baxter reviewed the bids that were received for the Bid; Mid-Michigan Police K9 - \$12,500, Northern Michigan K9 - \$11,000, K9 Academy Training Facility - \$25,800. Undersheriff Baxter is recommending the Mid-Michigan Police K9 even though not the low bidder as it is the same K9 Training company that neighboring counties use.

18-M-101

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Vaughan per the recommendation of the Undersheriff & the Emergency Manager, that the Tuscola County Sheriff's Office K9 Project, which is being partially funded by a Fiscal Year 2017 Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$12,000, be awarded to Mid-Michigan Police K9 LLC. It should be noted that Mid-Michigan Police K9 was not the lowest bidder but when taking into consideration other factors such as surrounding counties utilize Mid-Michigan such as Sanilac (whom our Sheriff's' department works closely with especially with this project), St. Clair & the City of Lapeer it would be beneficial to use the same training facility. Motion Carried.

*Old Business - None*

*Correspondence/Resolutions -*

- Clayette Zechmeister explained to the Board about the RAP Grant that Undersheriff Baxter applied for and received.
- Area Region VII sent a letter to Commissioner Bardwell requesting a written comment.
- School Planning Review and Inspection letter was sent to Commissioner Bardwell.

**COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS**

VAUGHAN - No updates to provide.

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

Tuscola County Fair Board Liaison

BIERLEIN - absent

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/Tourism Committee

MEMS All Hazards

KIRKPATRICK - No updates to provide

Board of Health

Community Corrections Advisory Board

Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison

MI Renewable Energy Coalition

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

BARDWELL

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment - Update provided regarding concern expressed by Steve Erickson.

Caro DDA/TIFA - Update provided.

MAC Finance

MAC 7<sup>th</sup> District

Local Unit of Government Activity Report - Update provided.

TRIAD - Update provided.

Behavioral Health Systems Board - Senior Empowerment Workshop is October 17, 2018

MAC Workers Comp Board

YOUNG - absent

Dispatch Authority Board

County Road Commission Liaison

Board of Public Works

Senior Services Advisory Council

Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

MAC Agricultural/Tourism Committee

Strategic EDC Planning Committee

Jail Planning Committee

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works

Region VI Economic Development Planning

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*Other Business as Necessary* - None

*Extended Public Comment* -

-Mary Brissette thanked the Sheriff's Department and the Akron Fairgrove Police Department in their assistance in handling her situation with her neighbor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:13 a.m.

Jodi Fetting  
Tuscola County Clerk