

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
July 31, 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 31st day of July 2018, to order at 8:08 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Reverend Doug Abel, Vassar Presbyterian Church

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Bardwell

Roll Call – Chief Deputy Clerk Langmaid

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young District 2 - Thomas Bardwell,  
District 3 - Kim Vaughan, District 4 - Craig Kirkpatrick (excused at 8:50 a.m.)  
District 5 – Matthew Bierlein

Commissioner Absent: None

Also Present: Clayette Zechmeister, Chief Deputy Clerk Caryl Langmaid, Tisha Jones, Register John Bishop, Mary Brissette, Jenna Tetil, Nancy Laskowski, Angela Burnette, Val Hartel, Karen Southgate, Irene Waller, Jeff Bliss

*Adoption of Agenda -*

18-M-113

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

*Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -*

18-M-114

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Kirkpatrick to adopt the meeting minutes from the July 12, 2018 Board and Statutory Finance meetings. Motion Carried.

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

*Consent Agenda Resolution -*

18-M-115

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Young that the following Consent Agenda Resolution from the July 25, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted.  
Motion Carried.

## CONSENT AGENDA

- Agenda Reference:** A
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/25/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that the 2017/2018 Court Child Care Fund Budget be amended as presented by the Family Court Administrator. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.
- Agenda Reference:** B
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/9/1825
- Description of Matter:** Move that the 2018/2019 Child Care Fund Budget including both the Family Court and Department of Health and Human Services divisions as presented at the July 25, 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting be approved and submitted to the state. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.
- Agenda Reference:** C
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/25/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the recommendation from HDC Clayette Zechmeister, Chief Accountant be authorized as the Certifying Officer Designation official as defined in 24 CFR Sec. 58.31 for the environmental review requirements of MSHDA CDBG funds along with Michael Hoagland to sign the necessary paperwork in his absence.
- Agenda Reference:** D
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 725/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that the 2017 Tuscola County Health Department Annual Report be received and place on file.

- Agenda Reference:** E
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/25/18
- Description of Matter:** Move to concur with the appointment of Dr. Mustafa Mark Hamed, M.D., M.P.H. as the Medical Director for the Associated County Health Departments. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized to sign the agreement with a one year term of September 1, 2018 until August 31, 2019 that will automatically renew for additional one-year terms unless either party notifies the other in writing of a non-renewal or required contract modification with sixty (60) days notice.
- Agenda Reference:** F
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/25/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the request from the Health Office to temporarily lift the county hiring freeze and refill the Dietician position that will be vacated due to a retirement.
- Agenda Reference:** G
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/25/18
- Description of Matter:** Move to temporarily lift the county hiring freeze and concur with the hiring of Leigh Nancy as the Tuscola County Animal Control Director effective August 6, 2018 at the Step 2 rate of pay of \$46,020.51. Satisfactory physical and background checks have been completed.
- Agenda Reference:** H
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/25/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that the Vehicle policy Section 2.11 be amended to include animal control vehicles for on call/emergency assignment.
- Agenda Reference:** I
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/25/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that the DHHS/DTMB Lease #6987 mutually agreed upon amendment that the new carpeting throughout that is required within 180 days immediately following that start of the tenth (10th) year of possession is not needed at this time and will be changed to the thirteenth (13th) year of possession be approved. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.

- Agenda Reference:** J
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/25/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that that the amendment to extend the DEQ Infrastructure Grant Agreement for the recycling center be approved. Also, all appropriate signatures be authorized.

*New Business*

-Appointment of Commissioners Vaughan and Kirkpatrick to Ad-Hoc Committee -  
18-M-116

Motion by Young, seconded by Bierlein that Commissioner Vaughan and Kirkpatrick be appointed, per the request of the Michigan Land Bank, to an Ad-Hoc committee for the determination of use, and potential conveyance of lands surrounding and in close proximity to the State Hospital of Caro. Motion Carried.

-County Clerk's request to award the Court Clerk I position to Katherine Robinson -  
18-M-117

Motion by Young, seconded by Bierlein that per the request from the County Clerk, that Katherine Robinson be awarded the Court Clerk I position at the Step 1 pay rate effective August 13, 2018 pending favorable physical and background results. Motion Carried.

-Sheriff's request to purchase cross cut shredder -  
18-M-118

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan to approve the request from the Sheriff to purchase a cross cut shredder at the cost of \$1,200.00 to be in compliance with the LEIN audit. Purchase will be funded from the jail equipment fund. Motion Carried. Carried.

-Rural Development Obligation Funds - Clayette gave an update. Mike Miller is working on obtaining the truck, which will include the animal control box, not to exceed \$25,900.00.

Commissioner Kirkpatrick excused at 8:50 a.m.

-2017 County Audit presented by Val Hartel and Angela Burnette from Anderson, Tuckey, Bernhardt and Doran PC CPA -  
18-M-119

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Bierlein that the 2017 County Audit (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report) as presented by the County Auditor's be received and placed on file. Motion Carried.

*Old Business: -*

- The Board discussed resolutions versus personal contact - The Board concurred resolutions as well as personal contact is the best way to communicate with Lansing and other Counties.

Recessed at 9:33 a.m.

Reconvened at 9:36 a.m.

*Correspondence/Resolutions -*

- Commissioner Bardwell has received communication that the Mounted Division has separated from the Sheriff's Department. Board discussed matter.
- 2018 MAC Regional Summit was in Frankenmuth on July 23, 2018.
- Commissioner Bardwell received communication regarding phragmite control workshop.
- Representative Canfield's responded regarding SB 1031.
- MAC by-law proposed changes discussed.

**COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS**KIRKPATRICK - absent

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

Caro DDA/TIFA

MAC Finance

MAC 7<sup>th</sup> District - Meeting was held July 30, 2018

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

TRIAD - Update provided.

Behavioral Health Systems Board

MAC Workers Comp Board - Meets in October.

YOUNG

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  
Tuscola 2020

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  
Tuscola County Fair Board Liaison

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/Tourism Committee  
MEMS All Hazards - Update provided.

*Other Business as Necessary - None*

*Extended Public Comment -*

-Jeff Bliss informed the Board his last day of employment with HDC will be Thursday, August 3, 2018. He has enjoyed his employment, but is moving to the private sector. He informed the Board that Brian Neuville will be taking over.

-Mary Brissette spoke about the Noise Ordinance for Juniata Township and that it is not being followed by Nextera. She ask that the Board to support and encourage Nextera to adhere to the current Noise Ordinance. She is concerned for the safety of her family and animals.

-Nancy Laskowski stated she feels permits are being issued without proper documentation being presented first. She feels there is no enforcement on the issue.

-Jenna Tetil spoke about people not following the rules. She is asking that they just follow all the rules. She feels Nextera is pushing to complete the project. She stated any help from the Board would be appreciated.

Meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

Caryl Langmaid  
Tuscola County Chief Deputy Clerk