

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 30, 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 30th day of August 2018, to order at 8:00 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Pastor Jon Terry, Crossway Assembly of God

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Bierlein

Roll Call – Clerk Jodi Fetting

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young, District 2 - Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Kim Vaughan, District 5 – Matthew Bierlein

Commissioner Absent: District 4 - Craig Kirkpatrick

Also Present: Mike Hoagland, Clerk Jodi Fetting, Eean Lee, Tisha Jones- Holubec, Register John Bishop, Jon Terry, Shelly Lutz, Mike Miller, Steve Anderson, BJ Roach, Jim Tussey, Nancy Laskowski, Art Graff, Carmell Pattullo, Mark Jensen, Sandy Nielsen, Mary Brissette, Ken Hecht, Jim McLoskey, Leigh Nacy, Jeff Damon, Norm Stephens, Erico Lopez, Drain Commissioner Bob Mantey, Jonathan Lauderbach

Adoption of Agenda -

18-M-130

Motion by Young, seconded by Bierlein to adopt the agenda as presented.
Motion Carried.

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -

18-M-131

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young to adopt the meeting minutes from the August 16, 2018 Board and Statutory Finance meetings. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only - None.

Consent Agenda Resolution -

18-M-132

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young that the following Consent Agenda Resolution from the August 27, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted with Item B removed. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Reference: A

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 8/27/18

Description of Matter: Move that the hours of operation for the County Animal Shelter be changed as defined below:

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Day	Current Hours	Proposed Hours
Sunday	Closed	Closed
Monday	9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Closed
Tuesday	9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM - Drop offs only 1:00PM - 4:00PM - Adoptions
Wednesday	9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	12:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Thursday	9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM - Drop offs only 1:00PM - 4:00PM - Adoptions
Friday	9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM - Drop offs only 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM - Adoptions
Saturday	9:30 AM -11:00 AM	2 Saturdays per month 9:00 AM- 2:00 PM

- Change in hours will allow for building deep cleaning, investigations, team building, etc.
- One late night during the week & 2 Saturdays per month will allow the public to come in after work hours/weekends for adoptions, looking for lost pets, etc.
- Saturday hours will be posted on our Facebook page and on our window (near our Open/Closed sign)

Agenda Reference: B (Item removed from the Consent Agenda to be discussed under New Business see Motion 18-M-133)

- Agenda Reference:** C
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 8/27/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that the Animal Control Director receive \$150 a week or eight hours of compensation time per week for being on-call. Also, on-call pay for the Animal Control Officer be set at \$70 per week. (Either the Director or Officer will receive on-call pay, but not both in any given week.)
- Agenda Reference:** D
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 8/27/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that the 2018 Animal Control Budget be amended as contained in the August 27, 2018 Committee of the Whole Agenda (Reference Attachment A).
- Agenda Reference:** E (Item removed from the Consent Agenda per Motion 18-M-140 under New Business)
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 8/27/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that for the 2019 calendar fiscal year County Commissioners shall receive an inflationary 2% wage increase which is the same amount awarded to other elected officials, non-union and union employees for 2019. Also, although the amount is not yet determined commissioners shall receive the same amount of inflationary wage increase, if any, that is awarded to other elected officials, non-union and union employees for 2020.
- Agenda Reference:** F
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 8/27/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the August 17, 2018 letter of request from the Medical Care Facility Director that \$202,981.99 be authorized for transfer from the Voted Medical Care Facility Fund to the regular Medical Care Facility Fund for payment of the items explained in the letter.

- Agenda Reference:** G
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 8/27/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that the Principal Residence Exemption Fund, Number 25, be authorized for amendment per the correspondence from the Chief Accountant dated August 24, 2018.
- Agenda Reference:** H
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 8/27/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that the County Clerk advertise to fill a vacant County Road Commissioner position. Applications will be received until September 18, 2018 at 4:30 P.M. Applicants will be reviewed at the September 24, 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting and by majority vote a candidate will be chosen by the Board of Commissioners. This appointed individual will serve until the 2020 general election at which time a successor is elected. (For further information see August 24, 2018 memo from Corporate Council).
- Agenda Reference:** I
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 8/27/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the August 21, 2018 letter of request from the Suicide Prevention Coalition that authorization is given to place a Suicide Prevention banner on the courthouse lawn during the month of September of 2018.
- Agenda Reference:** J
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 8/27/18
- Description of Matter:** Move that because the current county farmland lease is expiring at the end of 2018 bids be taken to lease county property for farming purposes for a three year period.

New Business -

-Animal Shelter Fee Schedule - Matter was item B in the Consent Agenda and was removed for discussion in New Business.

Leigh Nancy explained the pricing for the surrender fee. A surrender fee is not charged for a stray animal turned in to the shelter, it is for an animal owned and cared for by a person.

18-M-133

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Bierlein that the following fee changes be implemented effective August 31, 2018:

PRICING:

Current Pricing		New Pricing
Dog Adoption	\$30.00	\$40.00
Cat Adoption	\$20.00	\$30.00
Spay/Neuter Deposit	\$30.00	\$60.00
Pick up/Impound Fee	\$35.00	1st Offense: \$35.00 2nd Offense: \$70.00 3rd Offense: \$105.00 4th Offense: \$200.00
Boarding	\$10.00	\$10.00
Surrender Fee	\$0.00	\$25.00

-Increase adoption prices to generate more revenue. Increasing the spay/neuter deposit will ensure more pet owners follow through with given contracts.

-Pick up fee changes will motivate owners to not allow their animals to run at large.

-Owner surrender fee will allow for basic care for animal until placement can be found (adoption, rescue, etc.)

Motion Carried.

-Human Resource Coordinator Update Regarding Sexual Harassment Training - Shelly Lutz has been working with MMRMA regarding this subject. A training has been scheduled at September 26, 2018 to be held at the Technology Center. Department Heads will be notified of further details.

-Re-Advertising for Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems Board Vacancy - Clerk Fetting is requesting to re-advertise for the position that is still vacant as is to be filled by a community member or past or present consumer.

18-M-134

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young that the County Clerk be authorized to re-advertise to fill a vacancy on the Tuscola Behavioral Systems Board. Motion Carried.

-Dispatch Maintenance Agreement Approval - Sandy Nielsen explained the proposed agreement.

18-M-135

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young that per the August 29, 2018 request from the Dispatch Director that the maintenance contract with Equature for certain equipment at dispatch be approved and authorized for signature. Motion Carried.

-Commissioner Kirkpatrick Letter of Resignation - Commissioner Bardwell read Commissioner's Kirkpatrick letter of resignation.

18-M-136

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young that the letter of resignation from Commissioner Kirkpatrick be received and placed on file with said resignation to be effective August 31, 2018 with regrets. Motion Carried.

-Appointment to Fill Remaining Term of Commissioner Kirkpatrick - Mike Hoagland explained the option of appointing the Nominee for the District 4 Commissioner seat, Mark Jensen.

18-M-137

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young that effective August 31, 2018 Mr. Mark Jensen be appointed for the period of August 31, 2018 to December 31, 2018 to fill the remaining term of former Commissioner Kirkpatrick. Motion Carried.

-Appointment to County Finance Committee - Mike Hoagland explained the need to have a Commissioner to fill the Co-Chair position held by Commissioner Kirkpatrick.

18-M-138

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Vaughan that effective August 31, 2018 Commission Young be appointed as the second member to the County Finance Committee to replace former Commissioner Kirkpatrick. Motion Carried.

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

18-M-139

Motion by Young, seconded by Bierlein that per the August 28, 2018, Voucher #1, request from the County Road Commission that authorization is given to transfer \$299,076.07 from the Voted Bridge Millage Fund to the Regular Road Commission Fund for the identified invoices. Motion Carried.

-Road Commissioner Compensation - Mike Hoagland explained the proposed request. Board discussed matter in references to how compensation can be awarded prior to the term of office for the elected official. Board did not take action at this time.

18-M-140

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Vaughan to remove Consent Agenda Item E adopted at the August 30, 2018 Consent Agenda in Motion 18-M-132 to obtain a legal opinion regarding the matter. Motion Carried.

-Request to Use Courthouse Lawn for Employee Cookout & Fundraiser - Mike Hoagland explained the request.

18-M-141

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Bierlein that per the request of the Court Administrator that authorization be given to use the courthouse lawn on September 14, 2018 for an employee cookout and fundraising. Motion Carried.

Old Business -

-Recycling Center - Mike Miller met with the previous owner yesterday and the meeting did not go as hoped. The DEQ has issued areas that need to have clean-up addressed. Board discussed matter.

18-M-142

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young to rescind Consent Agenda Item D adopted at the May 10, 2018 Board Meeting in the Consent Agenda Resolution motion 18-M-077. Motion Carried.

Correspondence/Resolutions -

- Road Commission Minutes
- Michigan Indigent Defense Commission
- Senior Advisory Council Minutes
- Health Department Report

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

-Commissioner Vaughan met Curtis Stowe at My Sister's Barn regarding the trouble Ann Leen was having in getting permits issued. Commissioner Vaughan reported that the permits have been issued and matters finalized.

-Commissioner Vaughan passed along a complaint regarding Snover Road for Commissioner Young to take to the Road Commissioner meeting.

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 - Meets in October.
Human Services Collaborative Council
MAC Judiciary Committee
Tuscola County College Access Network
MAC Agricultural/Tourism Committee
MEMS All Hazards

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

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Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
Caro DDA/TIFA
MAC Finance - Meets in September.
MAC 7th District
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
TRIAD - Update provided.
Behavioral Health Systems Board
MAC Workers Comp Board - Update provided.

YOUNG

Dispatch Authority Board
County Road Commission Liaison
Board of Public Works - Meets in September.
Senior Services Advisory Council - Meets in September.
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

Other Business as Necessary -

-Commissioner Bardwell would like information on if closed session minutes can be kept beyond the destroy date and what would need to take place to make that happen.
-Commissioner Bardwell has received a concern from a local resident regarding the Medical Care Facility walking trail as it would be directly behind their house.
-Commissioner Bardwell reviewed how to distribute the Committees that Commissioner Kirkpatrick served on. Commissioner Bardwell will take Board of Health and Department of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison. Commissioner Young will take MI Renewable Energy Coalition. Commissioner Vaughan will take MAC Environmental Regulatory and NACO - Energy, Environment and Land Use. Mark Jensen will retain Community Corrections Advisory Board, Cass River Greenways Pathway, Jail Planning Committee and Local Unit of Government Activity Report.

Extended Public Comment -

-Jim Tussey provided an update on the Almer Township lawsuit and that Almer Township prevailed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk