



# MINUTES

## Board of Commissioners

### Meeting

**8:00 AM - Thursday, May 11, 2023**

H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln Street, Caro, MI 48723

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Commissioner Vaughan called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln Street, Caro, MI 48723, on Thursday, May 11, 2023, to order at 8:00 AM local time.

Prayer - Commissioner Lutz

Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Koch

Roll Call - Clerk Fetting

Commissioners Present In-Person: Thomas Young, Thomas Bardwell, Kim Vaughan, Bill Lutz, Matt Koch

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present In-Person: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Tracy Violet, Clayette Zechmeister, Bob Baxter, Kristy Sutherland

Also Present Virtual: Debbie Babich, Rachel Adam, Isaac White, Mary Drier, Mark Haney, Dara Hood, Cody Horton, Tim Green, Sheriff Glen Skrent, Shawn Robinson, Steve Root, Amanda Michael, Register Marianne Brandt, Kate Curtis, Greg Rynearson, Mitchell Holmes, Ean Lee, Carrie Tabar, Cindy Hughes

At 8:15 a.m., there were a total of 20 participants attending the meeting virtually.

#### **Adoption of Agenda**

1. Adoption of Agenda -

2023-M-102

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Matt Koch to adopt the agenda as presented.  
Motion Carried.

#### **Action on Previous Meeting Minutes**

1. Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -

2023-M-103

Motion by Matt Koch, seconded by Bill Lutz to adopt the meeting minutes from the April 27, 2023 Regular meeting. Motion Carried.

**Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only**

-Clerk Jodi Fetting addressed the Board's Subcommittee meetings and requested that the Board leave those open to the public.

**Consent Agenda**

2023-M-104

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Bill Lutz that the Consent Agenda Minutes and Consent Agenda Items from the May 8, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted. Motion Carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. 2023 Tuscola County Planning Commission Annual Report -  
Move to receive and place on file the 2023 Tuscola County Planning Commission Annual Report.
2. Land Bank Appointment -  
Move to appoint Mark Ransford to the Tuscola County Land Bank for the term of March 1, 2023 to February 28, 2026.

**New Business**

1. Use of Funds from the Jail Capital Improvements Fund -  
Robert Baxter, Undersheriff, explained the legal recommendation that the Undersheriff received regarding purchasing information to be distributed regarding the upcoming jail proposal.

2023-M-105

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Matt Koch to approve the budget amendment of \$10,000.00 in the Jail Capital Improvements Fund line item 488-100-727-000 through the use of fund balance. Motion Carried.

2. Planning Commission Request for Funds and Budget Amendments -

2023-M-106

Motion by Matt Koch, seconded by Bill Lutz that per the request from Heidi Stark, Planning Commission, to appropriate \$100.00 to 101-400-727-000 Supplies, Printing and Postage and \$800.00 to 101-400-957-000 Employee Training from the General Fund Contingency line item 101-890-965-000. Also, all appropriate budget amendments are authorized. Motion Carried.

3. Home Delivered Meals Program -

2023-M-107

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Thomas Bardwell that \$177,701.00 be transferred to the Voted Senior Citizens fund (297) from Provision of Government Services (PGS) fund balance in the General Fund to provide an additional 24,376 meals for the seniors across Tuscola County that would otherwise be added to a wait list due to the shortage of funds in the Voted Senior Citizens fund. Also, all appropriate budget amendments are authorized. Motion Carried.

4. Community Corrections Fiscal Year 2024 Grant -

2023-M-108

Motion by Bill Lutz, seconded by Matt Koch that per the request from David Stevens, Community Corrections Coordinator, that Resolution 2023-10 Fiscal Year 2024 Community Corrections Grant Application be approved. Motion Carried.

5. Marine Patrol Boat Purchase -

2023-M-109

Motion by Matt Koch, seconded by Thomas Young that per the request from Sheriff Glen Skrent, to purchase a marine patrol boat through the use of the Provision of Government Services (PGS) fund balance of up to \$150,000.00. Also, approve the Sheriff to make an application for a Community Facility Grant through the USDA that could potentially assist with up to \$50,000 of the purchase. Funds are to be transferred from the General Fund balance to the Equipment/Technology fund (244) for the purchase. Also, all appropriate budget amendments are authorized. Motion Carried.

6. Shay Lake - Lake Level Resolution -

2023-M-110

Motion by Matt Koch, seconded by Bill Lutz that per the request from Robert Mantey, Tuscola County Drain Commissioner to approve Shay Lake - Lake Level Resolution 2023-11.  
Motion Carried.

7. Murphy Lake - Lake Level Resolution -

2023-M-111

Motion by Bill Lutz, seconded by Matt Koch that per the request from Robert Mantey, Tuscola County Drain Commissioner to approve Murphy Lake - Lake Level Resolution 2023-12.  
Motion Carried.

8. Health Department Revenue Loss -

2023-M-112

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Matt Koch that per the request from Amanda Ertman, Tuscola County Health Officer that Tuscola County refund the Tuscola County Health Department for a total of \$49,632.50 for loss revenues due to reduced food licenses through board action. Funds from the Provision of Government Services (PGS) fund balance in the General Fund are to be used. Also, any appropriate budget adjustments are authorized. Motion Carried.

**Old Business**

1. Board of Commissioner Sub-Committee Meetings Discussion -  
-Board discussed the matter at length. After the discussion, the Board will continue the sub-committee meetings as an open meeting and post the meeting when called with minutes taken by staff in the County Clerk's Office.

**Correspondence/Resolutions**

1. Legislative Update 4-28-2023 - The Michigan Association of Counties
2. Village of Millington Establishment of Commercial Redevelopment District
3. 5-1-2023 Correspondence from EDC
4. Notice of Opportunity to Comment
5. Livingston County Resolution - Support Second Amendment
6. 2023-06 Urging Repair of the Cornwall Creek Flooding Dam
7. 2023-07 Resolution to Instruct Our Representatives to Oppose All Firearms Control Legislation
8. 2023-08 Resolution Declaring Alger County a Constitutional Second Amendment Sanctuary County
9. 2023-09 Resolution Supporting Dark Store Legislation
10. Osceola County Resolution 2023-009 To Oppose All Firearms Control Legislation
11. Sobriety and Mental Health Court Graduation - Midway Hall on June 23, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

**Commissioner Liaison Committee Reports*****Bardwell***

Behavioral Health Systems Board

Caro DDA/TIFA

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment

MAC 7th District

MAC Workers Comp Board

MAC Finance Committee  
Met last week and discussed current finance.

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Local Units of Government Activity Report

**Young**

Board of Public Works

County Road Commission Liaison

Dispatch Authority Board

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works -  
DYNA Sales and Service received an Impact Award.

Great Start Collaborative

Human Services Collaborative Council (HSCC)

MAC Agricultural/Tourism Committee

Region VII Economic Development Planning

Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative

Senior Services Advisory Council

Tuscola 2020

Local Units of Government Activity Report

**Vaughan**

No report.

Board of Health

County Planning Commission

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment

MAC Environmental Regulatory

Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee

NACO-Energy, Environment & Land Use

Parks and Recreation Commission

Tuscola County Fair Board Liaison

Local Units of Government Activity Report

**Lutz**

Board of Health  
Community Corrections Advisory Board  
Department of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison  
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works  
Shared his experience when DYNA received their award.  
Jail Planning Committee  
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)  
MAC Judiciary Committee  
MEMS All Hazard  
Local Units of Government Activity Report  
Human Development Commission Board of Directors Liaison

**Koch**

No report.

Behavioral Health Systems Board  
Recycling Advisory  
Jail Planning Committee  
MI Renewable Energy Coalition (MREC)  
Local Units of Government

**Other Business as Necessary**

-Opioid Task Force Meeting - Clayette reported that the first meeting has happened and there was a good discussion with many great ideas brought to the table.

-MAC Podcast - Commissioner Bardwell addressed the importance of watching the Podcasts as things in Lansing are moving very quickly.

-MREC Meeting - Clayette reported that the final order has been drafted. The order just needs to be signed. After that a report will be provided to the Board.

At 9:12 a.m., there were a total of 21 participants attending the meeting virtually.

**Extended Public Comment**

-Kate Curtis addressed Commissioner Vaughan's comments made during the meeting.

**Adjournment**

2023-M-113

Motion by Matt Koch, seconded by Bill Lutz to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 a.m. Motion Carried.

Jodi Fetting  
Tuscola County Clerk, CCO

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