

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2010 – 8:00 A.M.
ANNEX BOARD ROOM

207 E. Grant Street
Caro, MI 48723-1660

Phone: 989-672-3700
Fax : 989-672-4011

8:00 A.M. Call to Order – Chairperson Bardwell
Prayer – Commissioner Kern
Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Petzold
Roll Call – Clerk White
Adoption of Agenda
Action on Previous Meeting Minutes (See Correspondence #1)
Brief Public Comment Period
Consent Agenda Resolution (See Correspondence #2)
New Business

-CDBG Housing Grant Application (8:00 a.m.) – HDC
-Road Commission Primary Road Millage Transfer Request
-Sheriff Recommended Pay structure changes for Part-time employees (See Correspondence #3)

Old Business
Correspondence/Resolutions

COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

Committee of the Whole – FINANCE FOCUS (See Correspondence # 4)
Commissioner Peterson/Commissioner Bardwell

Other Business/On-Going Matters
Next Meeting Date Thursday, August 12, 2010 – 8:00 A.M.

Committee of the Whole – PERSONNEL FOCUS (See Correspondence # 4)
Commissioner Peterson/Commissioner Roggenbuck

Other Business/On-Going Matters
Next Meeting Date Thursday, August 12, 2010 – 8:00 A.M.

Committee of the Whole – BUILDING AND GROUNDS FOCUS (See
Commissioner Kern/Commissioner Petzold Correspondence # 4)

Other Business/On-Going Matters

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COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

PETZOLD

Recycling Advisory

Resource Conservation and Development District

Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Technical Advisory Committee

Thumb Area Consortium

Multi-County Solid Waste

TRIAD

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

Road Commission

Health Board

ROGGENBUCK

Board of Public Works

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

Human Services Coordinating Council

MAC Judiciary & Public Safety Committee

Great Start Collaborative – Tuscola County

Parks & Recreation

NACo Agricultural Committee

NACo Rural Action Caucus

MAC Agriculture & Tourism

BARDWELL

Caro DDA

Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

Economic Development Corporation

Tuscola 2011

MAC Economic Development/Taxation

MAC 7TH District

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

Michigan Association of Counties – Board of Directors

NACo

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Thumb Area Consortium

Human Development Commission

Health Board

Senior Services Advisory

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

Community Corrections Advisory Board
Behavioral Health Board
DHS/Medical Care Facility Liaison

PETERSON

Enterprise Facilitation
Human Development Commission

MEMS

Michigan Association of Counties – Aging Work Group
Michigan Association of Counties – Environmental

LEPC

NACo

Local Unit of Government Activity Report
Parks & Recreation
Dispatch Authority Board
County Planning Commission

Closed Session (If Necessary)

Other Business as Necessary

Extended Public Comment

Adjournment

Note: If you need accommodations to attend this meeting please notify the
Tuscola County Controller/Administrator's Office (989-672-3700) two
days in advance of the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

- #1 July 27, 2010 Full Board Minutes
- #2 Consent Agenda Resolution
- #3 Correspondence from Sheriff dated 7-20-10
- #4 Committee of the Whole minutes from 7-28-10
- #5 Human Development Commission Minutes from 7-21-10
- #6 Road Commission Minutes from 7-8-10
- #7 Consumers Energy Article on renewable energy

DRAFT**Tuscola County Board of Commissioners****July 27, 2010 Minutes
Vanderbilt County Park**

Chairman Thomas Bardwell called the meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the Vanderbilt County Park, 4446 Bath Rd., Fairgrove, on the 27th day of July, 2010 to order at 6:10 o'clock p.m. local time.

Prayer by Commissioner Roggenbuck
Pledge by Commissioner Kern

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

District #1 Amanda Roggenbuck, District #2 Thomas Bardwell, District #3 Tom Kern, District #4 Roy Petzold, District #5 Gerald Peterson

10-M-143

Motion by Kern seconded by Roggenbuck to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

10-M-144

Motion by Kern seconded by Roggenbuck to approve the minutes of the 6/22/10 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Brief Public Comment – Donna Fraczek appeared to request the use of the courthouse lawn for a Relay for Life luncheon, Friday, August 13, 2010

Senate candidate Robert Palmer appeared with questions regarding the Tuscola County Commissioners he's had posed to him while campaigning

Jim MacFarlane, Wisner Township Supervisor, welcomed the group to Wisner Township

Don Mowry appeared with a question regarding mosquito abatement

10-M-145

It was moved by Peterson and supported by Petzold that the following Consent Agenda resolution be adopted:

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Reference: A

- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10
- Description of Matter:** Move that the 2009 County Audit (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report) as presented by Jerry Desloover (Auditor from Rehmann Company) be received and placed on file.
- Agenda Reference:** B
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10
- Description of Matter:** Move that per auditor recommendations that staff conduct a review of the estimated 50 county credit cards in use and ask department heads if the number in their respective departments can be decreased to reduce the risk of misuse.
- Agenda Reference:** C
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10
- Description of Matter:** Move that staff develop a draft agreement to define the county and local unit of government roles and responsibilities to implement a tire recycling program. (This draft agreement should be completed so that it is available for review at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.)
- Agenda Reference:** D
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10
- Description of Matter:** Move that Courthouse Security be re-established and the 2010 Budget be amended by \$68,000 through the use of fund balance to finance security costs. Also, methods of reducing security costs continue to be reviewed by all parties.
- Agenda Reference:** E
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10
- Description of Matter:** Move that Circuit/Family Court Administrator, District Court Administrator, County Treasurer and County Chief Accountant review the proposal from Chase involving a system of issuing juror payment cards instead of checks that has the potential to reduce county accounting administrative demands. More information will be provided at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

- Agenda Reference:** F
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10
- Description of Matter:** Move that Jamie Dawes, Carl Osentoski and Mike Hoagland be approved as an oversight/review committee to review and make recommendations related to consultants, Request for Qualifications, Request for Proposals and other facets of the DELEG Energy Grant.
- Agenda Reference:** G
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the June 28, 2010 letter from the Circuit/Family Court Administrator, that the 2010 and 2011 Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement is approved and all appropriate signatures be authorized.
- Agenda Reference:** H
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the recommendation of Corporate Council, the lease payment increase of \$550 to BB&C Enterprises be paid effective with the month of July 2010. (This action reverses previous Board motion 10-M-132 which did not authorize the increase until August 2010).
- Agenda Reference:** I
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10
- Description of Matter:** Move that the agreement with MGT to prepare Cost Allocation Plans for the years of 2009, 2010 and 2011 for an annual amount of \$7,000 be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized.
- Agenda Reference:** L
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the request of the County Treasurer, documents submitted by Multi-Bank Securities enabling the County Treasurer

to conduct certain banking and financial transactions with this bank be approved for signature by all appropriate parties.

Agenda Reference: M

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10

Description of Matter: Move that per the July 9, 2010 request from the Sheriff, that a shredder be authorized to be purchased for \$847 and all appropriate budget amendments are approved with payment to be made from account 207-303- 932.

Agenda Reference: N

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10

Description of Matter: Move that per the request of the Human Resource Director, the agreement with List Psychological to provide fitness for duty evaluations and psychological services be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized.

Agenda Reference: O

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10

Description of Matter: Move that the honorary resolution for Dana Davidson for being crowned 2010 Michigan Sugar Queen be approved.

Agenda Reference: P

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10

Description of Matter: Move that per the July 8, 2010 letter of request from the American Legion, authorization is given to use the Courthouse Lawn during a ceremony on August 7, 2010.

Agenda Reference: Q

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/14/10

Description of Matter: Move that the fund raising methods for Vanderbilt Park identified at the Committee of the Whole meeting be approved.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that any motion, resolution, or other act of Tuscola inconsistent with this Resolution is hereby rescinded, modified, replaced or superseded by this Resolution.

YEAS: all

NAYS: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

10-M-146

Motion by Kern seconded by Roggenbuck to approve the Tire Collection Site Agreement and forward to interested local units of government for review and consideration. Motion carried.

Office Space Plan Presentations

Mark Ransford and Damian Wasik, H.H. Purdy Property, LLC, presented their proposal George Novogroder and Doug Hudson with Novogroder Companies presented their proposal

10-M-147

Motion by Kern seconded by Roggenbuck that pursuant to tab 4, the county adopt the essential components of the HH Purdy proposal and begin negotiations to reach a lease agreement with them. Roll call: Kern, yes; Petzold, yes; Peterson, yes; Roggenbuck, yes; Bardwell, yes. Motion carried.

Mark Shook – appeared to thank Mike Miller and his staff for the care of the park. He also stated the mosquito spraying needs to be increased.

10-M-148

Motion by Kern seconded by Roggenbuck to approve the promotion of Patrick Webster to the position of temporary seasonal assistant foreman for Mosquito Abatement. Motion carried.

10-M-149

Motion by Kern seconded by Roggenbuck that per the recommendation of the Sheriff the inmate health services agreement be renewed with Health Professional for the period of July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 at the same rate as the previous year and authorize all appropriate signatures. Motion carried.

10-M-150

Motion by Roggenbuck seconded by Peterson that per the recommendation of the Circuit/Family Court Administrator, to approve the signing of the summary with the DHS for the line item changes to include additional payment of \$51,556.10. Motion carried.

Extended public comment – Pam Shook had a question regarding tire recycling and mosquito abatement

Jim MacFarlane commented regarding mosquito abatement

Judy Adams inquired regarding residents having to sign a release before mosquito abatement trucks can enter a resident's property

Annette Rieck commented regarding mosquito abatement

Tim Adams commented regarding mosquito abatement

Don Clinesmith commented regarding mosquito abatement

Don Clinesmith commented regarding a newly formed political party called Tea Party

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Margie A. White
Tuscola County Clerk

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COUNTY OF TUSCOLA

STATE OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

At a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the County Annex Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, on the 10th day of August, 2010 at 8 o'clock a.m. local time.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

It was moved by Commissioner _____ and supported by Commissioner _____ that the following Consent Agenda Resolution be adopted:

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Reference: A

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/29/10

Description of Matter: Move that the Home Depot Commercial Account Application for US Communities program be approved and authorized for signature so the county can capitalize on cost savings through this company.

Agenda Reference: B

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/29/10

Description of Matter: Move that the County hiring freeze be lifted to allow Kristin Young to be changed from the current part-time to the vacant full-time position and authorize to post and advertise to refill the vacated part-time position.

Agenda Reference: C

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/29/10

Description of Matter: Move that per the recommendations of the County Equalization Director that the County enter into the Five Year Amended Assessor Services Agreement with the City of Caro to provide certain assessor services

Agenda Reference: D

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/29/10

Description of Matter: Move that the County hiring freeze be lifted (established by Board motion in April of 2010) to approve the posting of the Full Time Level I Assessor Position in the Equalization Department.

Agenda Reference: E

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/29/10

Description of Matter: Move that the County hiring freeze be lifted (established by Board motion in April of 2010) to approve the posting of a full time Chief Juvenile Probation Director position with the Circuit/Family Court.

Agenda Reference: F

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/29/10

Description of Matter: Move that the County hiring freeze be lifted (established by Board motion in April of 2010) to approve the posting of a full time District Court Deputy Court Clerk position.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that any motion, resolution, or other act of Tuscola inconsistent with this Resolution is hereby rescinded, modified, replaced or superseded by this Resolution.

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Thomas Bardwell, Chairperson
Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

Margie White
Tuscola County Clerk



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07/20/2010

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Mr. Michael Hoagland, County Controller

I would like to consider changing the pay structure for future part-time employees hired by the sheriff's office. We have always awarded part-time workers the starting wage for the position they would be filling.

My proposal would be to set the pay by \$ 3.00 per hour under the beginning wage and raise the amount by \$ 1.00 after every 1040 hours worked until the employee reaches the current beginning wage. At that time the amount would be frozen at that step one rate.

This new structure would save the county \$ 6,240.00 for the first 3,120 hours of work and give new employees a great deal of incentive to continue working and gaining experience in the classification they are working in.

I would also ask, in fairness to our current part-time employees, that this is not to be retroactive.

If this meets your approval I would request it be effective 08/01/2010.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leland Teschendorf".

Leland Teschendorf, Sheriff

DRAFT
Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Committee of the Whole Minutes
Thursday, July 29, 2010 – 8:00 A.M.
Annex Board Room (207 E. Grant Caro, Mi.)

Commissioners present: Bardwell, Peterson, Kern, Roggenbuck and Petzold. Also present: Mike Hoagland, Sherri Hoy, Mike Miller

Finance

Committee Leaders-Commissioner Peterson and Bardwell

Primary Finance Items

1. **Vanderbilt Park Funding Update** – Roggenbuck reported that \$500 was raised
 - **Home Depot Commercial Application Account** – (see Consent Agenda)
2. **Allied Information Systems** - presentation
3. **2011 Budget Development Update**
4. **Juror Card Program** – Update from Clayette Zechmeister
5. **LEIN Fees Update** – fees shall be placed in escrow
6. **Auditor Credit Card Comment** – Mari Young reported 40 credit cards for 165 employees
7. **Dispatch Request to Refill Position Vacancy** – (see Consent Agenda)
8. **Equalization Hiring Request and Caro Assessing Agreement** – (see Consent Agenda)
9. **Post and Advertise to Refill Vacant Juvenile Director Position** – (see Consent Agenda)
10. **Post and Advertise for Vacant District Court Position** – (see Consent Agenda)
11. **Mosquito Abatement – Committee Development of a Performance Improvement Plan** – no committee necessary. Comment by Judy Adams in regards to mosquito issue in Arbela township.

Secondary/On-Going Finance Items

1. Treasurer Bank Statement Reconciliation
2. North Star Bank Court Related Payment Methods
3. Draft Policy Confidential Information on Copiers and Fax Machines
4. Grant Writer Services – Next Steps – **remove from secondary agenda**
5. Sunset Bay Marina - **remove from secondary agenda**
6. Binding Arbitration Update
7. Emergency Services
8. DELEG Energy Grant – Response from Local Units
9. Potential of Road Commission Contracting with the Sheriff for Weigh Master Functions
10. Tire Collection Program
11. Road Patrol and Senior Millage Renewal Questions - August 3, 2010
12. Three-Year Dog Licensing
13. Jail Prisoner Overcrowding Alternatives
 - House Arrest Services Re-Contacted – Tether Program

- Evaluation of Housing More Prisoners in Tuscola Jail
- Jail Diversion Program

Personnel

Committee Leader-Commissioners Peterson and Roggenbuck

Primary Personnel Items

Secondary/On-Going Personnel Items

1. Circuit/Family Court Personnel Policies
2. MERS Bridged Benefits Valuation
3. Change in Huron/Tuscola Information Technology Position Sharing

Building and Grounds

Committee Leader-Commissioners Petzold and Kern

Primary Building and Grounds Items

1. **Office Space Planning – Next Steps**
2. **Airport Zoning Update**

Secondary/On-Going Building and Grounds Items

1. Farmers Market – **remove from secondary agenda**
2. Vanderbilt Park – **remove from secondary agenda**

Correspondence/Other Business as Necessary

1. Other County Resolutions - none

Public Comment Period - none

Closed Session – If Necessary - none

Other Business as Necessary - none

No meeting August 3, 2010

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 am

Sherri Hoy
Chief Deputy Clerk

**Statutory Finance Committee Minutes
Thursday, July 29, 2010
Annex Board Room
207 E. Grant St., Caro, MI**

Called to order: 9:56 a.m.

Commissioners present: Peterson ,Kern, Petzold and Bardwell

Absent: Roggenbuck

Also present: Mike Hoagland, Sherri Hoy,

Claims and per diems were reviewed and approved

Public Comment - none

Meeting adjourned at 10: 00 a.m.

Sherri Hoy
Chief Deputy Clerk

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Board of Directors Meeting
July 21, 2010
3 p.m.

#5

PRESENT: Della Hammond, Chris Taylor, Bob Sugden, Tom Kern, John Merriman, Bob Wood, George Loomis, Jamie Daws, Norton Schramm, Carl Holmes, Steve Vaughan, Ron Wruble, Al Long, Elmer Bussema, Beth Hunter, Lisa Pridnia, Linda Jarvis, Bill Butler, Leo Dorr, Grace Temple, Cindy McDonnell

ABSENT: Judge Kim Glaspie (excused), Jerry Peterson (excused), Gary Roy (excused)

STAFF: Lori Offenbecher, Brian Neuville, Maryanne Eagle, Lisa Meyer, Peg Davy, Connie Navarro, Lori Ertman

Chairperson Hammond convened the meeting at 3:05 p.m. Roll was called and a quorum established. The Pledge of Allegiance and introduction of staff followed.

Motion by John Merriman, seconded by George Loomis, to accept the June 16, 2010 Board of Director minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

TIME FOR PUBLIC - There were no comments from the public.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The Board Pass-Around Folder was distributed and contained; 1) news release regarding the first July 21 Spoonfuls of Plenty Meal Program, 2) flyer announcing a Mortgage Crisis Workshop scheduled for August 4 and sponsored by HDC and Chemical Bank, 3) staff thank you for services provided by HDC, 4) article by Caro's Police Chief regarding the agency's April incident, 5) pictures taken at the HDC Employee BBQ held on June 30, and 6) pictures from the July 17 Opportunities Day.

Bylaws/Membership Committee Report

Chairperson Hammond advised that the Committee had met in July and recommended Cindy McDonnell for membership on the Board.

Motion by Bill Butler, seconded by Linda Jarvis, that Cindy McDonnell be appointed to the HDC Board of Directors as a consumer sector/Early Head Start representative of Lapeer County. Motion carried.

Chairperson Hammond appointed Ms. McDonnell to the Board's Personnel Committee and noted that the Executive Director would be providing new Board member orientation in the near future.

Motion by Bob Sugden, seconded by Bob Wood, to accept the Chairperson's Report as presented. Motion carried.

FINANCE REPORT

Ms. Eagle highlighted the June, 2010 Finance Report which reflected monthly expenditures in the amount of \$1,170,188 and an annual budget of \$18.4 million.

Motion by John Merriman, seconded by Leo Dorr, that the agency renew its \$275,000 line of credit at Signature Bank and authorize the Executive Director to sign all necessary documents. Motion carried.

Motion by Norton Schramm, seconded by Carl Holmes, to accept the June, 2010 Finance Report as presented. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE/FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE

It was noted that the Committee had met on July 19 and 21 at which time members reviewed charges made to the agency's credit card and reviewed/scored six proposals received as a result of the request for proposal for agency legal counsel.

The RFP process and scoring system utilized by the Committee was explained to members and the recommendation of the Committee provided.

Motion by Bob Wood, seconded by Grace Temple, that Fletcher, Fealko, Shoudy & Francis, P.C. be hired as the agency's legal counsel. Motion carried.

The Committee also discussed the transfer of assets from CRE to HDC and the balance remaining on the CRE line of credit. Motion by Ron Wruble, seconded by Bob Sugden, to draw on the Human Development Commission line of credit to satisfy the Cass River Enterprises, Inc. line of credit. Motion carried.

Members were informed that an RFP had been developed for agency audit services and a potential property donation to the agency had been discussed.

Also, in compliance with MSHDA regulations, members were informed that two agency employees were applying for services under the Community Development Block and Home Purchase/Rehabilitation Program.

Motion by John Merriman, seconded by Jamie Daws, to accept the Executive/Finance & Audit Committee report as presented. Motion carried.

SENIOR SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL

Mr. Kern advised that the Council met on June 23, and noted the minutes of the meeting. Motion by Chris Taylor, seconded by Beth Hunter, to accept the Senior Services Advisory Council minutes as presented. Motion carried.

EARLY HEAD START POLICY COUNCIL

Ms. Meyer highlighted the minutes of the July 14 Council meeting and provided an update on the Expansion Program.

Motion by Linda Jarvis, seconded by Norton Schramm, to accept the Early Head Start Policy Council minutes as presented. Motion carried.

CARO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Mr. Taylor advised that the Authority had met on June 30 and discussed the upcoming millage issue which would be placed on the November ballot in the City of Caro, as well as Almer and Indianfields Townships. It was also noted that two Thumbody Express drivers would be competing in the Small Bus Rodeo on July 23 in Mt. Pleasant and a MassTrans Front Line Employee Conference was scheduled for September in which several transit staff would attend.

Motion by Jamie Daws, seconded by George Loomis, to receive the Caro Transit Authority Report as presented. Motion carried.

AGENCY REPORT

Ms. Offenbecher noted that all offices moves in the in the agency's Administrative and Annex buildings had been completed and work was continuing on the Staff Safety Plan.

She stated that Congressman Kildee had notified the agency that the Generations Program was one of three requests he was able to have placed in the 2011 budget for potential funding.

Members were apprised that MSHDA was on-site July 19-20 to monitor the Tuscola, Huron, and Sanilac County CDBG programs and on August 24-25, the Department of Human Services would be on-site to monitor several programs, including CSBG and Weatherization.

Ms. Offenbecher stated that she, Brian Neuville and Maryanne Eagle had attended the WIPFLI training the previous week and it had been excellent.

It was also noted that monthly conference calls continue to take place regarding the South Saginaw Phase II project.

In relation to partnerships, Ms. Offenbecher stated:

-She had met with Drew Orvish, Region VII Area Agency on Aging Director, to explore ways to enhance services provided to seniors in Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola Counties.

-In August, she would meet with representatives of the Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola County Economic Development Corporations.

-On August 12, the agency's Generations Program, Caro Parks & Recreation, Kids Club, and Small Wonders will join the Caro Area Gleaners who are sponsoring a Caro Area Fun Day.

Motion by Grace Temple, seconded by Jamie Daws, to accept the Agency Report as presented. Motion carried.

PROGRAM PRESENTATION

Peg Davy provided members with information on the July 15-17 events in which the agency played a lead role. The first day was a Navigator Training for those individuals who wished to assist low-income individuals navigate through the system; the second day a Customer

Service Training was held for service providers, and an Opportunities Conference was held for low-income individuals on the third day; in total over 300 individuals attended the events.

Ms. Offenbecher thanked all agency staff who supported and worked on the event, with particular recognition to Peg Davy for her leadership.

OTHER

Steve Vaughan advised that he had potatoes available to donate to organizations who could distribute them to persons in need; he anticipated that the potatoes would be available through November.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Lori Ertman
Executive Director's Assistant

July 8, 2010

A regular meeting of the Board was held in their offices at 1733 S. Mertz Rd., Caro, Michigan on Thursday, July 8, 2010 at 8:00 A.M.

Present: Commissioners John Laurie, Gary Parsell, and Mike Zwerk, Superintendent/Manager Jay Tuckey, Director of Finance/Secretary-Clerk Michael Tuckey.
Also Present: County Commissioner Roy Petzold.

Absent: County Highway Engineer Zawerucha.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk that the minutes of the June 24, 2010 regular meeting of the Board be approved. Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Payroll in the amount of \$101,318.63 and bills in the amount of \$61,439.24 covered by voucher #10-25 were presented and audited.

Motion by Zwerk seconded by Parsell that the payroll and bills be approved. Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Brief Public Comment Segment:

(1) Chairman Laurie reported to the Board an update of the planned improvements for road work and water/sewer work within the Village of Gagetown.

Management and the Board further discussed a petition from residents on Waltan Road in Vassar Township regarding restricting truck traffic by Mid-Michigan Minerals. Director of Finance Michael Tuckey presented to the Board a written response from the Vassar Township Board requesting that the truck traffic be re-routed to Class A roads. Tuckey also presented to the Board a legal opinion from Road Commission Attorney Schrope which advises that restricting truck traffic on local roads is at the total discretion of the Road Commission. After further discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk to deny the request from the Vassar Township Board of restricting truck traffic on Waltan Road, with the understanding that the truck traffic is in compliance with the laws defined in the Michigan Vehicle Code. Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Zwerk seconded by Parsell to approve the 3-year fee schedule proposal from ATB&D, CPA's to conduct the Road Commission's annual financial audit. Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Management and the Board further reviewed the intersection of Millington Road and Sheridan Road previously discussed at the last regular meeting of the Board. The Board reviewed the plans for the installation of 4-way Stop Signs at the intersection as well as options for the installation of a warning flasher(s). After discussion, Management will contact the Millington Township Board with the available flasher options and report back to the Board for further review.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk to approve the request from the United States Geological Survey to install a surface water gage on the Chambers Road Bridge. Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk granting Jeff Levalley a Medical Leave of Absence through August 26, 2010 in accordance with Article V of the labor agreement. Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

At 9:00 A.M. the following bids were opened for an upgraded Two Way Radio System:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Total Package (Less Trade-Ins)</u>
Anderson Radio Inc.	\$ 52,990.00
Thumb Radio Inc.	\$ 55,567.50

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk that the bids for an upgraded Two Way Radio System be accepted, reviewed by Management, and tabled until the next regular meeting of the Board. Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk that the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 A.M. Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Chairman

Secretary-Clerk of the Board

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Consumers Energy Reaches Agreements For New RE Projects

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by NAW Staff on Friday 25 June 2010

Consumers Energy has agreed to power purchase agreements (PPAs) with independent developers for more than 240 MW of new Michigan-based renewable energy capacity.

The PPAs are for 20 years and have been submitted for approval to the Michigan Public Service Commission.

John Deere Wind Energy, based in Johnston, Iowa, will develop its Michigan Wind II project in Sanilac County. This wind project is expected to provide 90 MW of renewable energy capacity to Consumers Energy beginning in 2012.

John Deere Wind Energy will also develop its Harvest II Windfarm in Huron County. This project is expected to provide 59.4 MW of capacity to Consumers Energy beginning in late 2012.

In addition, John Deere Wind Energy and Great Lakes Wind LLC will develop their Blissfield Wind Energy project in Lenawee County. This project is expected to provide 81 MW of capacity to Consumers Energy beginning in late 2012.

The PPAs support Consumers Energy's plan to increase its renewable energy supply portfolio to 10% by 2015 to meet the requirements of Michigan's energy reform law.

Once ready for construction, the new wind projects are each expected to create between 150 and 200 construction jobs.

SOURCE: [Consumers Energy](#)

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