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**Tuscola County Board of Commissioners  
Committee of the Whole  
Thursday, May 21, 2020 – 8:03 A.M.**

**Electronic remote access via Google Hangouts, in accordance with the Michigan Governor’s Executive Order 2020-75, implemented in response to COVID-19 social distancing requirements and Michigan Governor’s Stay Home Stay Safe Orders.**

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young , District 2 - Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Kim Vaughan, District 4 - Mark Jensen, District 5 - Daniel Grimshaw

Absent: None

Also Present: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Eean Lee, Jana Brown, Lisa Ozbat, Mark Haney, Mary Drier, Matthew Bierlein, Mike Miller, Rahm Mormando, Sandy Nielsen, Steve Anderson, Tracy Violet, Wayne Koper, Representative Phil Green, Jessica VanHove, Debbie Babich, Matt Brown, Brian Harris, Bob Baxter, Shelly Lutz, Bob Mantey, Pam Shook

At 8:05 a.m. there were 31 people attending the electronic meeting.

**Finance/Technology**

Committee Leaders-Commissioners Young and Jensen

**Primary Finance/Technology - None**

**On-Going and Other Finance  
Finance**

1. Preparation of Multi-Year Financial Planning

**Technology**

1. GIS Update
2. Increasing On-Line Services/Updating Web Page

**Personnel**

Committee Leader-Commissioner Vaughan and Bardwell

**Primary Personnel**

1. **Tuscola County Non-Court Employee COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan**  
- Steve Anderson and Clayette Zechmeister discussed the proposed plan. The Elected Officials and Department Heads meet electronically on May 20, 2020 to review the plan. At that meeting, the overall plan was agreed upon by the Elected Officials and Department Heads with some changes made as recommended. Board discussed changes that they would like made. Steve Anderson will make the changes and distribute to the Commissioners prior to the May 21, 2020 Special Board meeting for final adoption.

2. **Discussion on Opening of the County** - Board discussed steps that need to be taken to verify PPE has been secured for employees to return to work. Discussed creating one COVID-19 line item to place any expenses incurred in one place for reference. The Board would like the matter to be added to the May 28, 2020 Board meeting agenda.

### **On-Going and Other Personnel**

1. Magistrate Pay Review – Tabled until May 2020 - Commissioner Bardwell has discussed the matter with Judge Gierhart and the matter will be discussed in the future.
2. Strengthen and Streamline Year-End Open Enrollment
3. MAC 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting Updates

### **Building and Grounds**

Committee Leaders-Commissioners Jensen and Grimshaw

### **Primary Building and Grounds** - None

### **On-Going and Other Building and Grounds**

1. State Police Lease
2. County Jail Study
3. Recycling Relocation Update
4. County Physical and Electronic Record Storage Needs – Potential Use of Recycling Pole Building

### **Other Business as Necessary** -

-Vanderbilt Park Dump Station - Mike Miller reviewed the bids received to install a dump station at Vanderbilt Park. The bids received were from Waldorf and Sons, Inc. out of Mt. Morris in an amount of \$55,200.00 and from Donley Excavating out of Marlette in an amount of \$69,900.00.

Clayette Zechmeister explained the necessary budget amendment that would be required.

The Board will add this matter to the May 21, 2020 Special Board agenda to take potential action.

-Multi-Year Financial Planning - Board would like Clayette to work on scenario planning and providing multi-year plans with concern of potential revenue cuts.

-Commissioners Pay for 2021 - Commissioner Bardwell stated it was time to review the Commissioner's salary for the upcoming term per a previous motion made by former Commissioner Bierlein.

-Collaboration of Emergency Services During Flood Event - Steve Anderson and Mark Jensen provided information on how resources in Tuscola County have been provided to assist Midland County and other affected counties in the recent flooding including the airboat, firetrucks and personnel.

**On-Going Other Business as Necessary**

1. Board Rules of Order – Possible Revisions Within Six Months (1-13-20)
2. Policy Updates
3. Senate Bill 46

At 9:47 a.m. there were 37 people on the call

**Public Comment Period -**

-Matthew Bierlein provided information on setting Commissioner's pay for an upcoming term.

Senate is back in session 2-days per week. Currently, the Senator and his team has been handling concerns from constituents regarding unemployment.

-Bob Mantey provided an update regarding Murphy Lake with a hearing scheduled in June 2020.

-Wayne Koper discussed the definition of an essential worker.

Commissioner Grimshaw excused at 9:42 a.m.

Commissioner Jensen excused at 9:50 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m. with all members in agreement.

Jodi Fetting  
Tuscola County Clerk