

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 14, 2019 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 14th day of March 2019, to order at 8:03 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Commissioner ~~Jensen~~ Bardwell

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Vaughan

Roll Call – Chief Deputy Clerk Caryl Langmaid

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young, District 2 - Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Kim Vaughan, District 4 - Mark Jensen, District 5 – Daniel Grimshaw (arrived at 8:05 a.m.)

Commissioner Absent: None

Also Present: Mike Hoagland, Chief Deputy Clerk Caryl Langmaid, Eean Lee, Tisha Jones-Holubec, Nancy Laskowski, Heidi Stark, Mike Miller, Sheriff Glen Skrent, Clayette Zechmeister, Steve Anderson, Register John Bishop, Robert McKay, Joe Green, Debra Cook, Heather Thomas-Verhaeghe, Ann Hepfer, Terry Camp, Deena Bosworth (via teleconference)

*Adoption of Agenda -*  
19-M-0048

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

*Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -*  
19-M-049

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Young to adopt the meeting minutes from the February 28, 2019 Regular Board and Statutory Finance meetings as presented.  
Motion Carried.

*Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only -*

-Nancy Laskowski briefed the Board of Commissioners on her qualifications in regards to her application for the vacancy on the County Planning Commission.

*Consent Agenda Resolution -*  
19-M-050

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Young that the following Consent Agenda Resolution from the March 11, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted. Motion Carried.

## CONSENT AGENDA

- Agenda Reference:** A
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3/11/19
- Description of Matter:** Move that the Managed Assigned Counsel Administrator be authorized to enter into a lease for office space at the Rolka Building with the understanding the lease will not increase county share of costs for the Michigan Indigent Defense Program. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized and budget amendments regarding the lease are approved for implementation.
- Agenda Reference:** B
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3/11/19
- Description of Matter:** Move that the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant for the October 1, 2018 to September 20, 2019 period be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized.
- Agenda Reference:** C
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3/11/19
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the recommendation of the Mosquito Abatement Director that the budgeted 2019 treatment materials identified in the March 4, 2019 memorandum be authorized for purchase.
- Agenda Reference:** D
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3/11/19
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the recommendation of the Mosquito Abatement Director that the budgeted 2019 seasonal Mosquito Abatement Staff identified in the March 4, 2019 memorandum be authorized for hire.

- Agenda Reference:** E
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3/11/19
- Description of Matter:** Move that the 2018 Mosquito Abatement Annual Report be received and placed on file.
- Agenda Reference:** F
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3/11/19
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the March 1, 2019 request from the Chief Information Officer that authorization is given to attend the out-of-state Dell Technologies World conference from April 29, 2019 thru May 2, 2019.
- Agenda Reference:** G
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 3/11/19
- Description of Matter:** Move that per the February 27, 2019 memo authorization is given to the Tuscola County Suicide Prevention Coalition to use the Courthouse lawn on September 8, 2019.

*New Business -*

-County Health Dept. Audit Presentation -  
Heather Thomas-Verhaeghe presented the County Health Department Audit results. No instances of noncompliance were found. No issues to report regarding internal control over financial reporting. Heather did report the Health Department has less than 1 month of operation based on unrestricted fund balance.

19-M-051

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Jensen that the 2017-2018 County Health Department audit be received and placed on file. Motion Carried.

-MAC Teleconference Update -  
Deena Bosworth updated the Board of Commissioners on what is happening in Lansing. Budget is in discussion with the gas tax proposal as the hot topic. The halt of the new Psychiatric Center was discussed, along with revenue sharing and the foreclosure issue.

-County Parks & Recreation Commission -

Robert McKay presented an overview of the Parks and Recreation Commission. Commissioner Bardwell questioned what the Parks and Recreation Commission needed from the Board of Commissioners. Robert McKay informed the Board that what was needed was for the Board to set the areas of responsibility and tasks to achieve objectives. Commissioner Grimshaw questioned as to whether the Board wants the Parks and Recreation Commission to continue to present issues regarding Vanderbilt Park to the Board or give authority to the Parks and Recreation Commission to handle issues regarding Vanderbilt Park. Mike Hoagland and Commissioner Vaughan to work with Parks and Recreation Commission to look at By-laws, Penalties, and Enforcement.

19-M-052

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Vaughan, to modify the number of meetings per year to as needed for the Parks and Recreation Commission and to develop By-laws. Motion Carried.

-2018 Year-End Financial Information -

Mike Hoagland presented the County Financial Overview. County is stable and all funds finished 2018 in the positive.

-Wind Turbine Revenue -

A meeting to discuss how the wind developer's tax appeals have been negatively impacting our local communities and explain how SB 46 would solve this dispute will be held March 20, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in Lansing.

-County Planning Commission Vacancy -

Heidi Stark briefed the Board of Commissioners on her qualifications in regards to her application for the vacancy on the County Planning Commission. The function of the County Planning Commission was discussed at length. There was some concern raised as to who is currently on the Planning Commission and what district they reside in. Commissioner Grimshaw would like to see someone from District 5 on the Planning Commission.

19-M-053

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Jensen to table the appointment to the County Planning Commission for 30 days as of March 14, 2019, with no special meeting to be scheduled in order to handle the matter. Motion Carried.

Recessed at 10:35 a.m.

Reconvened at 10:45 a.m.

-Addendum to 2019 Mid-State Health Network Substance Use Disorder Oversight Policy Advisory Board Intergovernmental Agreement -

19-M-054

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Jensen that the addendum to the 2019 Mid-State Health Network Substance Use Disorder Oversight Policy Advisory Board Intergovernmental Agreement be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized. Motion Carried.

-State to Re-Assess the Location of the New Psychiatric Facility -  
Mike Hoagland advised the Board of Commissioners on the Press Release issued late Wednesday, March 13, 2019 regarding Governor Whitmer's decision to re-assess the location of the new Psychiatric Facility. Mike Hoagland stated the loss of the Caro Center would have a huge economic impact on the County and we need to be proactive.

-Purdy Building Safety Committee -

19-M-055

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Young that per the recommendation of the Purdy Building Safety Committee that the Equipment-Technology Fund budget be amended by \$2,500.00 to purchase additional smoke detectors and panic buttons for the Purdy Building. Motion Carried.

-2018 Year-End Financial Information (continued)-

19-M-056

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Grimshaw to authorize an additional 2018 transfer of \$112,000 from the General Fund to the Equipment-Technology Fund (for a total of \$500,000) and approve 2018 corresponding budget amendments. Motion Carried.

19-M-057

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Young to authorize an additional 2018 transfer of \$350,000 from the General Fund to the Capital Improvement Fund (for a total of \$350,000) and approve 2018 corresponding budget amendments. Motion Carried.

-Register of Deeds Employee Retirement -

Register John Bishop informed the Board of Commissioners that Kim Brinkman has submitted a letter of retirement effective June 30, 2019. Register Bishop requested that he be allowed to begin the process to replace Kim Brinkman immediately.

19-M-058

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Young that the letter of retirement from Kim Brinkman be received and placed on file with said resignation to be effective June 30, 2019. Motion Carried.

19-M-059

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Vaughan to allow the Register of Deeds to start the process to replace the retiring employee and to complete the hiring freeze checklist. Motion Carried.

*Old Business -*

Commissioners discussed scheduling a Committee of the Whole meeting on March 25, 2019 since none of the Commissioners were planning to attend the MAC Conference. Clerk to post meeting notice.

19-M-060

Motion by Young, seconded by Grimshaw to schedule a Committee of the Whole Meeting for March 25, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. at the H.H. Purdy Building. Motion Carried.

*Correspondence/Resolutions -None*

## **COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### BARDWELL

Behavioral Health Systems Board  
Caro DDA/TIFA  
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment  
MAC 7<sup>th</sup> District  
MAC Workers Comp Board  
TRIAD  
Local Units of Government Activity Report

### VAUGHAN

Board of Health  
County Planning Commission  
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment  
MAC Environmental Regulatory – Vice Chair  
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

### GRIMSHAW

Behavioral Health Systems Board  
Recycling Advisory  
Local Units of Government

JENSEN

Board of Health  
Community Corrections Advisory Board  
Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison  
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works  
Jail Planning Committee  
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)  
MAC Judiciary Committee  
MEMS All Hazard  
Local Units of Government Activity Report

YOUNG

Board of Public Works  
County Road Commission Liaison  
Dispatch Authority Board  
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works  
Great Start Collaborative  
Human Services Collaborative Council (HSCC)  
Jail Planning Committee  
MAC Agricultural/Tourism Committee  
MI Renewable Energy Coalition (MREC)  
Region VI Economic Development Planning  
Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative  
Senior Services Advisory Council  
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*Other Business as Necessary - None*

*Extended Public Comment - None*

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Caryl Langmaid  
Tuscola County  
Chief Deputy Clerk