

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
January 30, 2020 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 January 2020, to order at 8:03 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Commissioner Young

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Bardwell

Roll Call – Clerk Jodi Fetting

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young, District 2 - Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Kim Vaughan (via Google Hangouts) (joined at 9:59 a.m.)(excused at 11:27 a.m.), District 5 – Daniel Grimshaw

Commissioner Absent - District 4 - Mark Jensen

Also Present: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Eean Lee, Mike Miller, Wayne Koper, Sandy Nielsen, Mark Haney, Register John Bishop, Drain Commissioner Bob Mantey, Treasurer Patricia Donovan-Gray

*Adoption of Agenda -*  
2020-M-028

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

*Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -*  
2020-M-029

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Young to adopt the meeting minutes from the January 16, 2020 Regular Board and Statutory Finance meetings. Motion Carried.

*Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only - None*

*Consent Agenda Resolution - None*

*New Business (continued below) -*

-Building Codes Income/Expense Report - Clayette reviewed the Income and Expense Report that was provided by Curtis Stowe of SCMCCI. Commissioner Grimshaw would like clarification as to why their financials are reflected on the County reports which Clayette will research and verify.

## 2020-M-030

Motion by Young, seconded by Grimshaw to receive and place on file the Building Codes Income/Expense Report for September 2019 through December 2019. Motion Carried.

-Capitol Services Retainer Agreement - Clayette did receive a proposed agreement to extend services with Capitol Services.

## 2020-M-031

Motion by Young, seconded by Grimshaw to approve the two-month contract with Capitol Services for February 1, 2020 through March 31, 2020 for \$4,200 each month. Also, all signatures and budget amendments be authorized. Motion Carried.

*Old Business (continued below) -*

-Review Request For Proposal (RFP) for Governmental Representation and Consulting Services - Clayette presented the proposed RFP. Board would like to add verbiage on page 2 as discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting on January 27, 2020.

## 2020-M-032

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Young to approve the Request for Proposals for Governmental Representation and Consulting Services and authorization is given to post on the county web page with the added verbiage on page 2 of the RFP to include "with full disclosure of any conflict of interest." Motion Carried.

## 2020-M-033

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Young that the RFP Due Date be changed to February 21, 2020. Motion Carried.

Opening of the bids to be placed on the February 24, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting agenda.

-Hiring of Animal Controller Attendee (matter added) -

## 2020-M-034

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Young that per the recommendation of the Animal Control Director, Jen Kelly be hired as a part-time Kennel Attendant at the beginning step of pay effective February 4, 2020 upon satisfactory physical and background checks. Motion Carried.

-High Water Levels (matter added) - Drain Commissioner Mantey provided an update regarding the concern of high lake levels. There is immediate concern along our shoreline.

*New Business (continued from above) -*

-Deena Bosworth, MAC Legislative Update - Deena provided an overview of the Governor's State of the State Address and various topics that were discussed by the Governor. The Pure Michigan campaign has not been refunded.

-Jean Doss, Capitol Services Update - Jean provided an update regarding the Caro Center. There have been monthly calls scheduled with key leaders to provide progress updates. She provided an update on the committee hearing on SB46.

Recessed at 9:52 a.m.

Reconvened at 9:59 a.m.

Commissioner Vaughan joined the meeting at 9:59 a.m.

-Closed Session Under Section 8 (c) of the Open Meetings Act, in Order to Discuss Strategy Connected with the Negotiation of a Collective Bargaining Agreement -

2020-M-035

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Young that the Board meet in Closed Session under Section 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act, in order to discuss strategy connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement with Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Shelly Lutz, Eric Morris, John Bishop, Bob Mantey and Patricia Donovan-Gray allowed to attend at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call Vote: Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; Jensen - absent; Grimshaw - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Reconvened from the Closed Session at 11:27 a.m.

Commissioner Vaughan excused at 11:27 a.m.

*Old Business (continued from above) -*

-Animal Control Ordinance - Commission Grimshaw has received much opposition against the proposed animal control ordinance. The Board would like to review other county's animal control ordinances to look for one to model after. The Board would like to send a new proposed animal control ordinance once completed back out to the local jurisdictions for input prior to adopting.

2020-M-036

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Young to abandon the proposed Animal Control Ordinance completely and start fresh with an ordinance more palatable for Tuscola County. Motion Carried.

*New Business (continued from above) -*

-Closed Session Under Section 8(d) of the Open Meetings Act to Consider the Purchase or Lease of Real Property -

2020-M-037

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Young that the Board meet in Closed Session under Section 8(d) of the Open Meetings Act to consider the purchase or lease of real property with Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister and Mike Miller allowed to attend at 11:41 a.m. Roll Call Vote: Jensen - absent; Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Vaughan - absent; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Reconvened from the Closed Session at 11:54 a.m.

2020-M-038

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Young to authorize Mike Miller to procure the services of a local realtor for purchasing property for \$8,000 or less. Motion Carried.

*Correspondence/Resolutions - None*

## **COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**GRIMSHAW** - No updates  
Behavioral Health Systems Board  
Recycling Advisory  
Local Units of Government

**JENSEN** - Absent  
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

**BARDWELL**  
Behavioral Health Systems Board  
Caro DDA/TIFA  
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment  
MAC 7<sup>th</sup> District - Meeting will be scheduled.  
MAC Workers Comp Board  
TRIAD  
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 - Update provided.  
Senior Services Advisory Council  
Tuscola 2020  
Local Units of Government Activity Report

**VAUGHAN** - absent

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

*Other Business as Necessary - None*

*Extended Public Comment -*

-Commissioner Grimshaw addressed the Board regarding the Airport Zoning Board of Appeals bylaws and terms of board members.

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Jodi Fetting  
Tuscola County Clerk