



MINUTES

Board of Commissioners

Meeting

8:08 AM - Thursday, October 27, 2022

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

Commissioner Bardwell 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, October 27, 2022, to order at 8:08 AM local time.

Prayer - Commissioner DuRussel

Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Young

Roll Call - Clerk Fetting

Commissioners Present In-Person: Thomas Young, Doug DuRussel, Dan Grimshaw

Commissioners Absent: Thomas Bardwell, Kim Vaughan

Others Present In-Person: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Eean Lee, Clayette Zechmeister, Steve Anderson, Jon Ramirez, Joanna Samuelson, Laura Boyke-Hawes

Also Present Virtual: Renee Francisco, Mary Drier, Debbie Babich, Pam Shook, Brinley Weippert, Mark Haney, Alecia Little, Linda Strasz, Cody Horton, Kendo Mellon, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Don Derryberry, Steve Root, Rachel Adam, Matt Brown, Kate Curtis, Cindy McKinney-Volz, Barry Lapp

At 8:11 a.m., there were a total of 19 participants attending the meeting virtually.

Adoption of Agenda

1. Adoption of Agenda -

2022-M-234

Motion by Doug DuRussel, seconded by Dan Grimshaw to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes

1. Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -

2022-M-235

Motion by Doug DuRussel, seconded by Dan Grimshaw to adopt the meeting minutes from the October 13, 2022 Regular meeting and the October 24, 2022 Special meeting. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only

None

Consent Agenda

2022-M-236

Motion by Doug DuRussel, seconded by Dan Grimshaw that the Consent Agenda Minutes and Consent Agenda Items from the October 24, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Appointment to Veterans' Committee -

Move that per the recommendation from Mark Zmierski, Tuscola County Veterans' Affairs Director, and the Veterans' Committee that Catherine Cirisan be appointed to the Tuscola County Veterans' Committee to fill a partial term expiring December 31, 2025.

2. County of Tuscola Fiscal Year 2023 Clean Sweep Grant -

Move to approve the Clean Sweep Program Grant Agreement with the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development in the amount of \$25,000.00 for the period of October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.

New Business

1. IT Help Desk Technician Appointment -

2022-M-237

Motion by Doug DuRussel, seconded by Dan Grimshaw that per the recommendation of Eean Lee, Chief Information Officer, to authorize the hiring of Mitchell Holmes as an IT Help Desk Technician at Step 1 pay rate of \$18.19 per hour pending favorable background, physical and drug screen. Motion Carried.

2. Establish a Fund for Juvenile Mental Health Court Program -

Clayette Zechmeister explained that the Courts has been awarded a \$30,000.00 grant to establish this specialty treatment court.

2022-M-238

Motion by Dan Grimshaw, seconded by Doug DuRussel to establish a Special Revenue Fund for the Juvenile Mental Health Court Program. A grant of \$30,000.00 has been awarded to the Tuscola County Courts. No General Fund appropriations will be needed for this operation. Motion Carried.

3. Priority Dispatch System Implementation Agreement -
Director Jon Ramirez presented to the Board regarding the proposed agreement. County Legal Counsel has reviewed the agreement.

2022-M-239

Motion by Dan Grimshaw, seconded by Doug DuRussel to approve the five-year Priority Dispatch System Implementation Agreement between Medical Priority Consultants, Inc. DBA Priority Dispatch Corp. (PDC), a Utah corporation, and Tuscola County Central Dispatch. Fees for the initial Medical Priority Dispatch System (MPDS) implementation and training of \$40,568.00 are approved through the Dispatch Fund. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized. Motion Carried.

Old Business

1. Commissioner Mileage Changes -
Clayette Zechmeister, Controller/Administrator, reviewed the proposed changes in the policy.

2022-M-240

Motion by Dan Grimshaw, seconded by Doug DuRussel that pursuant to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regulations and guidelines, travel from home to an employee's principal place of work is considered "commuting" and if reimbursed, is considered taxable income to the employee. Therefore, we further move to revise the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners Per Diem Payment Policy as follows:

Commissioners shall be entitled to mileage reimbursement for other work involved in serving as a county commissioner including local city, village and township meetings. Mileage shall not be paid for travel to Full Board or Committee Meetings. Motion Carried.

2. Per Diem Payment for Commissioners or Boards & Commissions Members for Attending Conferences (matter added) -
Commissioner Grimshaw would like the Board to consider setting a higher daily rate per diem for when Commissioners or Boards & Commission members attend a conference. Matter to be added to an upcoming Committee of the Whole meeting and if possible, on November 14, 2022.
3. Proposed Resolution in Support of Saginaw County (matter added) -
Commissioner Grimshaw has forwarded the proposed resolution to Clerk Fetting to be included in the November 14, 2022 Committee of the Whole agenda for Board consideration.

Correspondence/Resolutions

None

Commissioner Liaison Committee Reports

Young

No Updates

- 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
- Region VII Economic Development Planning
- Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative
- 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

Grimshaw

No Updates

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

DuRussel

- Board of Health
A vending machine has been added that will dispense Narcan or Fentanyl Testing Strips.
- Community Corrections Advisory Board
- Department of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison
- Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
- Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
- MAC Judiciary Committee
- MEMS All Hazard
- Local Units of Government Activity Report

Bardwell

Absent

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

Other Business as Necessary

None

At 8:50 a.m., there were a total of 22 participants attending the meeting virtually.

Extended Public Comment

None

Adjournment

2022-M-241

Motion by Doug DuRussel, seconded by Dan Grimshaw to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 a.m. Motion Carried.

Jodi Fetting

Tuscola County Clerk, CCO