

**TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING AGENDA**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2014 – 7:30 A.M.

**H. H. PURDY BUILDING BOARD ROOM
125 W. Lincoln Street
Caro, MI**

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Phone: 989-672-3700
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- 7:30 A.M. Call to Order – Chairperson Bardwell
Prayer – Commissioner Bierlein
Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Trisch
Roll Call – Clerk Fetting
Adoption of Agenda
Action on Previous Meeting Minutes (See Correspondence #1)
Brief Public Comment Period
Consent Agenda Resolution (See Correspondence #2)
New Business
 -Thumb Works Appointment Request (See Correspondence #3)
 -HDC Request to Become Outside Contractor – Related to Property
 Owners Avoiding Foreclosure (See Correspondence #4)
 -Two County Equalization Director (See Correspondence #5)
 -Various Bids for Budgeted Items at the Sheriff Department
Old Business
Correspondence/Resolutions

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

KIRKPATRICK

Board of Health
Community Corrections Advisory Board
Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison
Land Acquisition
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ALLEN

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County Road Commission
Board of Public Works
Senior Services Advisory Council
Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee
Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative
Parks & Recreation
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TRISCH

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BARDWELL

NACo
NACo Rural Action Caucus
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
Caro DDA/TIFA
MAC Economic Development/Taxation
MAC 7th District
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
MAC – Past President

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 September 11, 2014 Full Board & Statutory Finance Minutes
- #2 Consent Agenda Resolution
- #3 Thumb Works Appointment Request
- #4 HDC Request to Assist Homeowners Avoid Foreclosure
- #5 State Tax Commission Information Regarding Shared Equalization Directors
- #6 September 22, 2014 Committee of the Whole Minutes
- #7 August 28, 2014 Road Commission Minutes
- #8 September 2014 Health Department Report
- #9 Coalition Against Bigger Trucks New Website

Draft
TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
September 11, 2014 Minutes
H. H. Purdy Building

Commissioner Thomas 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 11th day of September, 2014 to order at 7:33 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Commissioner Kirkpatrick

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Bardwell

Roll Call – Clerk Jodi Fetting

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Roger Allen, District 2 – Thomas Bardwell, District 3 – Christine Trisch, District 4 – Craig Kirkpatrick, District 5 – Matthew Bierlein

Commissioner Absent: None

Also Present: Mike Hoagland, Clerk Jodi Fetting, Tisha Jones, Cindy McKinney-Volz, Mike Miller, Sandy Nielsen, Sheila Long, Honorable Judge Nancy Thane, Karen Southgate, Register John Bishop, Chuck Heinlein, Ed Jagosz, Drew Stark, Beth Aspberger, Steve Anderson, and Gary Johnson.

Adoption of Agenda

14-M-149

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Allen to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion Carried.

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes

M-14-150

Motion by Allen, seconded by Trisch to adopt the meeting minutes from the August 28, 2014 meeting. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period -

-Drew Stark along with Ed Jagosz invited the Board to the Caro Post American Legion Honorary Dinner on Sunday, October 26, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. At this dinner, the Caro Post American Legion will be honoring Maynard H. Smith a Congressional Medal of Honor Hero.

Consent Agenda Resolution -

14-M-151

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Allen that the following Consent Agenda Resolution be adopted. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Agenda Reference:** A
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 9/08/14
- Description of Matter:** Move that the 2014/2015 County Planning Commission annual report be received and placed on file with appreciation for the work of the Planning Commission members over the last year.
- Agenda Reference:** B
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 9/08/14
- Description of Matter:** Move that per Michigan State Housing Development Authority requirements for the CDBG housing program that Request for Proposals for Third Party Administration of the Tuscola County grant be advertised in the local newspaper. Proposal requirements and guidelines will be made available on the county web site (proposal to be chosen at a future meeting of the Board of Commissioners).

New Business

-Child Care Fund Budgets -

-Sheila Long presented to the Board an overview of the State of Michigan 2015 Fiscal Year Child Care Fund Budget. Budget request for 2015 will be relatively the same as the 2014 budget. Sheila Long will be requesting an increase in the mentor program due to the success of the program and the need remains great.

-Karen Southgate present to the Board an overview of the DHS portion of the State of Michigan 2015 Fiscal Year Child Care Fund Budget. An increase in the 2015 budget is being requested for the Parent Education and Supervised Visitation Program but offering a decrease in the budget in the Foster Care program.

14-M-152

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Allen that the 2014/2015 Child Care Fund budget as presented by Child Care Fund staff members at the September 11, 2014 Board of Commissioners meeting be approved for submittal to the state and all appropriate signatures are authorized. Motion Carried.

-Advertising On-Line County Services

14-M-153 (motion amended during public comment)

Motion by Allen, seconded by Kirkpatrick that all future county envelope purchases have the following statement printed on them: "Visit Us Online for County Services @ WWW.TUSCOLACOUNTY.ORG. Motion Carried.

-Primary Road Millage Transfer Request

14-M-154

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Trisch that per the request of the County Road Commission that \$59,364.17 be transferred from the Voted Primary Road Millage Fund to Road Commission fund as specified in Primary Road Voucher #01-14 dated September 4, 2014. Motion Carried.

-Bridge Millage Transfer Request

14-M-155

Motion by Trisch, seconded by Kirkpatrick that per the request of the County Road Commission that \$172,249.26 be transferred from the Voted Bridge Millage fund to the Road Commission fund as specified in Bridge Voucher #01-14 dated September 4, 2014. Motion Carried.

-Recycling Trailer Bids

One bid was received from Reese Trailer Sales in the amount of \$15,690.00.

14-M-156

Motion by Allen, seconded by Bierlein that the recycling trailer bid be awarded to Reese Trailer Sales who was the only bidder for an amount of \$15,690.00. Motion Carried.

-Jail/Courthouse Painting Bids

Two bids were received with the first from Moore's Chores in the amount of \$11,850.00 and the seconded from Wright's Painting in the amount of \$15,700.00.

14-M-157

Motion by Allen, seconded by Trisch that the Courthouse Office, Jail and Adult Probation Building painting bid be awarded to Moore's Chores who was the low bidder for an amount of \$11,850.00. Motion Carried.

-Mechanic Storage Building Bids

Mike Miller opened the sealed bids for the Mechanic Storage Building metal roof project.

1. Fine Finish Construction, LLC. - Birch Run
Base Bid - \$11,500.00
Sanded Seam Bid - \$15,700.00
2. Gerald G. Bergman
Base Bid - \$17,600.00
Sanded Seam Bid - \$22,300.00
3. Booms Construction
Base Bid - \$11,285.00
Sanded Seam Bid - \$15,100.00

Mike Miller would like time to review the bids and interview the contractors. Mr. Miller will present a recommendation to the Board at a future meeting. Matter Tabled.

-Modification to Previous Foundation Motion

Clarification was requested regarding 14-M-143 motion regarding establishing the 501(C)(3).

14-M-158

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Allen to amend motion 14-M-143 from the August 28, 2014 Board meeting to concur with the Department of Human Services Board, in the establishment of a 501(C)(3) entity so that donations can be received and maintained as a foundation for the Medical Care Facility. Concurrence is approved with the understanding that complete and proper financial management of funds is maintained and administered by the foundation. Motion Carried.

Clerk Jodi Fetting excused at 8:25 a.m. with Chief Deputy Clerk Cindy McKinney-Volz assuming Clerk responsibilities.

-Akron Sign - Mike Hoagland will be putting a packet together with all pertinent information. Thomas Bardwell will meet with the Village of Akron to discuss composing a letter to the insurance company releasing the County from any liability for the sign. Mike Hoagland will compose a letter to the insurance company requesting that they do not pay the claim pending resolution with the Village.

-State Land Acquisition - Commissioner Kirkpatrick will reach out to Ray Rendon, Indianfields Township Supervisor, to discuss the current status with the land acquisition. The conversations will be followed up with a letter to the Indianfields Township Board.

Old Business - None

Meeting Recessed at 9:00 a.m.
Meeting Reconvened at 9:10 a.m.

Correspondence/Resolutions -

The Caro Center will be celebrating their 100th Year Anniversary on October 9, 2014 from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Right to Life will be having a speaker at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Tuesday, September 30, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

Mike Hoagland received a letter from Braun Kendrick and the letter was forwarded to the Commissioners.

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTSALLEN

Dispatch Authority Board - Meeting to be held on September 17, 2014 to discuss budget and vacancies.

County Road Commission - October, November, and December meetings do not conflict with the Board of Commissioners meeting schedule.

Board of Public Works - Discussed Denmark Township water issues.

Senior Services Advisory Council - May have to pay for a portion of meals. The Council is only receiving about 71% of cost of meals from donations. This amount would be beyond the \$7,500.00 already budgeted for Senior Services.

Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee

Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative

Parks & Recreation - Vicky Sherry from EDC is still working on the 5-year plan.

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

TRISCH

Board of Health - Meeting next Friday.

Planning Commission

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment - Met September 10, 2014.

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

Behavioral Health Systems Board

Animal Control - No meetings yet, Commissioner Trisch will be getting a meeting schedule.

Solid Waste Management

Thumb Works

BIERLEIN

Thumb Area Consortium/Michigan Works - Meeting September 12, 2014

TRIAD

Human Development Commission (HDC)

Tuscola 2020

Recycling Advisory Committee - Meeting in October.

Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) - Meeting in October.

Vassar Parks and Planning Committees have an online survey accessible through their Facebook page.

Multi County Solid Waste

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

Tuscola In Sync

MAC Board of Directors - Conference will be held next week in Mackinaw.

Human Services Collaborative Council

Region VI Economic Development Planning - Meeting in October

MAC-Economic Development & Taxation

BARDWELL

NACo - No update.

NACo Rural Action Caucus

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment - Vassar Theater is in the process of being sold.

Caro DDA/TIFA

MAC Economic Development/Taxation

MAC 7th District - Conference will be held next week in Mackinaw.

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

MAC – Past President - Last meeting on the Board will be this Sunday.

KIRKPATRICK

Thumb Area Consortium/Michigan Works

Board of Health

Community Corrections Advisory Board

Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison

Land Acquisition - Ongoing project, Commissioner Kirkpatrick will be contacting Indianfields Township Officials.

MI Renewable Energy Coalition

MEMS All Hazards

MAC-Environment Energy Land Use

Oil/Shale Work Group

Cass River Greenways Pathway

Local Unit of Government Activity Report

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NACO- Energy, Environment & Land Use

Closed Session - None

Other Business as Necessary -

Denmark Water Issues - Mike Hoagland received information from the attorney regarding outstanding attorney fees which are just under \$40,000. Once paid, litigation is over, and then the County and Township can move forward with further talks on a bond for the Denmark water.

Mike Hoagland will email the Department heads with the requirements for future mailings coming from the county regarding online services.

Extended Public Comment -

John Bishop was concerned about the additional printing costs for the envelopes. Commissioner Bierlein suggested the purchase of a stamp may be more cost effective. As a result the previous motion was amended.

-Modification to Previous Motion

14-M-153

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Allen that all future county mailings have the following statement printed or stamped on them: "Visit Us Online for County Services @ WWW.TUSCOLACOUNTY.ORG. Motion Carried.

John Bishop recently attended a Register of Deeds conference. There was some concern amongst the Registers about a survey conducted by MAC regarding the Automation Funds. Mr. Bishop requested the Commissioners attending the MAC conference find out who authorized the survey and the purpose of the survey. Mr. Bishop does not believe the information provided by many of the other counties will be accurate.

Gary Johnson and Beth Asperger had concerns over the county assisting Denmark Township with a bond for the water project.

Meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

Cindy McKinney-Volz
Chief Deputy Clerk

Statutory Finance Committee Minutes
September 11, 2014
H.H. Purdy Building
125 W Lincoln St, Caro MI

Meeting called to order at 9:58 a.m.

Commissioners Present: Allen, Bardwell, Trisch, Kirkpatrick, Bierlein

Commissioner Absent:

Also Present: Mike Hoagland, Cindy McKinney-Volz, Tisha Jones

Claims and Per Diems were reviewed and approved.

Public Comment - None

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Cindy McKinney-Volz
Chief Deputy 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 H.H. Purdy Building in the Village of Caro, Michigan, on the 25th day of September, 2014 at 7:30 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 9/22/14

Description of Matter: Move that per the request of the Court Administrator that the bid to replace the non-functioning copy machine located in the lowest level of the Courthouse be awarded to Brady Business Machines who was the low bidder for an amount of \$4,857. Also, the 2014 county equipment budget be amended for the cost to replace this copy machine.

Agenda Reference: B

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 9/22/14

Description of Matter: Move that per the September 16, 2014 letter of request from the Dispatch Director that authorization is given to refill the vacant position created by the resignation of Dispatcher Popham.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that any motion, resolution, or other act of Tuscola County 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

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

September 17, 2014

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
125 W Lincoln St, Suite 500
Caro, MI 48723-2004

SUBJECT: Thumb Area Community of Commerce/Workforce Investment
Development Board

Dear Tuscola County Commissioners:

Under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) it is the responsibility of each County Board of Commissioners to appoint and/or reappoint members to the regional Community of Commerce/Workforce Investment Development Board (WIDB). In Tuscola County there is one (1) existing vacancy in private industry due to the retirement of John Niebrzydowski after over 20 years of service to our agency. Outlined below are three (3) nominees designated by local Chambers Commerce/Business Organizations for this opening.

NOMINEES FOR VACANCY (1) IN PRIVATE INDUSTRY

Peter O'Brien
Owner
PJ O'Brien's Catering & Party Rental
268 N State Street
Caro, MI 48723
Nominated By: Tuscola County EDC

Cheryl Meinecke
Office Manager/HR Lead
STEMCO/Kaiser
4641 Industrial Dr.
Millington, MI 48746
Nominated By: Tuscola County EDC

Justin Rock
Manager
Expert Global Solutions/Excell Group
217 N. State Street
Caro, MI 48723
Nominated By: Tuscola County EDC

Please be advised that the candidates listed above constitute all nominees on file for the Private Industry vacancies received during the August 15, 2014-September 12, 2014 nomination period.

Administrative Office

3270 Wilson Street
Morlette, MI 48453
Phone: (989) 635-3561
Fax: (989) 635-2230

Service Centers

614 N. Fort Crescent
Bad Axe, MI 48413
Phone: (989) 269-2311
Fax: (989) 269-6021

550 Lake Drive
P.O. Box 600
Lapeer, MI 48446-0600
Phone: (810) 664-1680
Fax: (810) 664-6740

575 W. Sanilac
P.O. Box 147
Sandusky, MI 48471-0147
Phone: (810) 648-5800
Fax: (810) 648-5804

1184 Cleaver
Caro, MI 48723
Phone: (989) 673-8103
Fax: (989) 673-5040

Action on these appointments/reappointments is requested prior to September 30, 2014 if at all possible. This will allow for timely processing of all Board appointment information to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation-Workforce Development Agency.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter. Please notify me as soon as possible of your actions.

Sincerely,



Jody L. Kerbyson
Executive Director

Cc: Matt Bierlein
Christine Trisch

A Proposal on Becoming an Outside Contractor for Tuscola County

Purpose of the Request

The Human Development Commission (HDC) offers free, confidential foreclosure prevention counseling for county residents who are facing (or threatened with) the loss of their single, largest asset – the family home – due to mortgage and/or property tax delinquency.

HDC is interested in creating a pilot project wherein the agency would become an outside contractor for Tuscola County to help homeowners, in particular land contract holders, avoid foreclosure due to delinquent property taxes. Between February 2013 and February 2014, HDC's foreclosure staff counseled 23 county residents who had delinquent property taxes. Two of the 23 (8.7%) were land contract holders.

How Funds Would Be Expended

HDC is interested in accessing funds from the county's *Delinquent Tax Property Sales Proceeds* account as payment for foreclosure prevention counseling. The county would be the "payer of last resort" after all other funding sources like the Michigan State Housing Development Authority and NeighborWorks are billed. It is HDC's experience that land contract holders with delinquent property taxes are the most challenging customers to obtain counseling funds for, as many funders do not consider these customers to be homeowners.

Foreclosure prevention counseling would include an assessment of the homeowner's financial capabilities and a review of options (e.g., Step Forward, The Michigan Hardest Hit Funds® Program; Poverty Exemption Letter to Township; etc.) to avoid foreclosure due to delinquent property taxes. Counseling services would also include referrals to other resource agencies that may help the homeowner with such needs as employment, health care, and nutrition.

Amount of Funds Requested

HDC requests financial consideration of \$2,000 - \$3,000 for calendar year 2015. This funding request would serve eight-to-twelve households, using "payer of last resort" funds.

Other Information

HDC is a HUD-approved Housing Counseling Agency that provides education and counseling services for homebuyers and homeowners in the "thumb" area. In addition, the agency has adopted the National Industry Standards for Homeownership Education and Counseling, which is a set of guidelines for quality homeownership and counseling services that includes a Foreclosure Intervention Specialty.

Mike Hoagland

From: Mike Hoagland [mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org]
Sent: Tuesday, September 23, 2014 7:25 AM
To: Walt Schlichting (Walt Schlichting); Bierlein Matthew (mbierlein@tuscolacounty.org)
Subject: FW: Tuscola Equalization waiver request

Matt.....thank you for following up on this.....

Walt.....do you think this covers us?

Mike

Michael R. Hoagland
Tuscola County/Controller Administrator
125 W. Lincoln
Caro, MI. 48723
989-672-3700
mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org

-----Original Message-----

From: James McLoskey [mailto:JMcLoskey@senate.michigan.gov]
Sent: Monday, September 22, 2014 10:52 AM
To: mbierlein@tuscolacounty.org
Cc: mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org
Subject: Tuscola Equalization waiver request

Good morning Matt and Mike,

Here is the latest info received by the Lansing office of Senator Green from the STC from its last meeting.

The minutes for the Tax Commission are posted online here:
http://www.michigan.gov/documents/taxes/Meeting_Minutes_08-26-2014_-_Draft_466896_7.pdf

We haven't received any additional correspondence , but the minutes from the meeting read: "It was moved by Simon, supported by Morris, and unanimously approved the Certification Advisory Committee's recommendation of granting a special waiver for those units whose certification level requirements have increased due to the SEV of wind turbines located in the local unit. A special waiver will be granted to Gratiot County Equalization allowing the MAAO (3) Director to continue his responsibilities in the County due to the effect of the wind turbine values. A special waiver will be granted to Huron and Tuscola Counties who share their current MAAO (3) Equalization Director until 2016 due to the effect of the wind turbine values. The Commission approved the Certification Level Guidelines for 2015. (Counties) (Townships and Cities) (Item 4 on agenda)".

Please let me know if any follow up is needed on this issue. Thanks.

Jim

----- Begin forwarded message -----

From: "Commissioner Bierlein" <mbierlein@tuscolacounty.org>

Jim,

Still have no word on the equalization director waiver. Has the Senator heard anything?

Matthew Bierlein

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Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Committee of the Whole
Monday, September 22, 2014 - 7:30 A.M.
HH Purdy Building - 125 W. Lincoln, Caro, MI

Present: District 2 - Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Christine Trisch, District 4 - Craig Kirkpatrick, District 5 - Matthew Bierlein

Absent: District 1 - Roger Allen

Also Present: Mike Hoagland, Clerk Jodi Fetting, Donna Fraczek, Sandy Nielsen, Gary Johnson, Beth Aspberger, Charles Kurtansky, Lorraine Kurtansky, Register John Bishop

Finance

Committee Leaders-Commissioners Trisch and Kirkpatrick

Primary Finance

1. **Court Replacement Copier Request** - Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda for Brady's Business Systems to receive the bid.
2. **Zimco Contracts and IT Director** - Meeting with Dawn Zimmer scheduled for September 22, 2014.
3. **DHS Child Care Fund Budget** - There was a breakout session at the MAC Conference which was very informative for the Commissioners that attended.
4. **Update Regarding Potential Acquisition of State Property** - Commissioner Kirkpatrick had the opportunity to meet with Indianfields Township Supervisor and Clerk. Commissioner Kirkpatrick provided an update to the Board. Andy Northrop from the tourism council will be coming at 1:00 p.m. on September 22, 2014 to look at the property with the Commissioner Kirkpatrick. An invitation was extended to the other Commissioners.

On-Going Finance

1. 2015 Budget Development - First budget draft is being worked on.
2. Cunningham Legislative Correction Needed - Legislation has been presented to the House.
3. SCMCCI Indirect Costs/Lease - Mike Hoagland is working on the new contract.
4. New Lease for State Police Building - Proposed lease has been presented to the State.
5. Register of Deeds Recording of Land Transactions and Legislative Changes -No new updates.
6. NG911 Multi-County Equipment Purchase - No updates regarding the grant funding. A final decision has not been made as to who will be awarded the bid. A follow-up meeting is scheduled to gather more detailed information.

7. Proposed Denmark Township Water Project - No new update.
8. Akron Sign - Commissioner Bardwell will schedule a meeting.
9. Abused, Neglected and Delinquent Children Financial Information
10. Online Services and IT Accomplishments - Online services that can be offered continue to be explored.
11. Shane Group V. BCBSM Settlement - No new update.
12. Next Steps County Solid Waste Management Plan Update - EDC meeting is upcoming.
13. Shared Equalization Director Huron/Tuscola 4-Year Extension - The approval letter has not been received yet.
14. Oil Shale Mining Assessing/Taxation – MAC Involvement - Matter ongoing.
15. Jail Law Suit - No new update.
16. Wolverine Update - Matter ongoing.
17. GIS Implementation - Project is continuing to move forward.

Personnel

Committee Leader-Commissioners Kirkpatrick and Trisch

Primary Personnel

1. **Dispatch Request to Refill Vacant Position** - Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

On-Going Personnel

1. Draft Court and Non-Union Personnel Policies – Labor Attorney Conducting Review – New HR to Review - Donna Fraczek updated the Board that the Court has been implementing the policies since January 2014.
2. Union Negotiations
3. Advertise to Fill Vacancy on County Parks and Recreation Commission

Building and Grounds

Committee Leader-Commissioners Allen and Bierlein

Primary Building and Grounds

On-Going Building and Grounds

1. Cass River Greenway - Next meeting is October 1, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. Vassar City Hall.
2. Dead Ash Trees Roadway Problems
3. Review of Multi-County Approach to Recycling and Need for a Plan - Mike Miller has reached out to neighboring counties and they have expressed an interest in attending the next meeting.
4. Implementation of Mosquito Abatement Facility Upgrades - Director Kim Green is working on this project.

Other Business as Necessary

1. Region 6 Prosperity Meeting – A 2-day meeting is scheduled for October 2, 2014 and October 3, 2014 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the American Legion Post 16 in Lapeer.
2. Celebration for Maynard H. Smith – Medal of Honor celebration on October 26, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at the Caro American Legion Hall.
3. Building Codes Information - Mike Hoagland reviewed the correspondence received.
4. Meet the Candidate Forum - October 7, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Tuscola Technology Center.

Mike Hoagland also updated the Board that Human Development Commission offers free foreclosure prevention counseling to Tuscola County residents. The communication will be placed in Thursday's Board packet.

Public Comment Period

- Gary Johnson - Addressed the Board that previous attendees regarding the water project were from Gilford Township. He asked the Board to review the Revised Municipal Fund Act 34 of 2001 which is a 24 page document. He referenced Page 2 - Letter F which states if two municipalities are part of a joint project that one Township can not be sole source of funding for the project.
- Beth Aspberger thanked the Board for looking into acquiring the State Land and having a greater vision.

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 a.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

August 28, 2014

A regular meeting of the Board was held in their offices at 1733 S. Mertz Rd., Caro, Michigan on Thursday, August 28, 2014 at 8:00 A.M.

Present: Road Commissioners John Laurie, Gary Parsell, Mike Zwerk, Julie Matuszak, and Pat Sheridan; County Highway Engineer Michele Zaverucha, Superintendent/Manager Jay Tuckey, Director of Finance/Secretary-Clerk Michael Tuckey.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the minutes of the August 14, 2014 regular meeting of the Board be approved. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Payroll in the amount of \$89,560.86 and bills in the amount of \$1,061,633.71 covered by vouchers #14-43, #14-44, and #HRA-20 were presented and audited.

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

Brief Public Comment Segment:

(1) Almer Township Supervisor Jim Miklovic appeared before the Board to discuss the Tuscola County Drain Commission's Wiscoggin Drain Project scheduled for the year 2015. Mr. Miklovic reported that the Almer Township Board has approved to partner with the project in order to fund the drain relocation expenses outside the authority of a maintenance project. Mr. Miklovic also reported that he is personally opposed to the request from the Tuscola County Board requesting that the Road Commission consider changing its board meeting schedule.

Mr. Nathan McFerrin with the Dairy Farmers of America and Mr. Mike Colpetzer with the Spicer Group appeared before the Board in regards to the development of a milk processing plant in the village of Cass City. Mr. McFerrin reported that an installation of a new wastewater disposal system is included with the development. Mr. McFerrin further reported that the Dairy Farmers of America are requesting a variance of the Road Commission's Road Policies and to allow open-cutting the intersection of Elmwood Road and Doerr Road, as opposed to boring under the roadway, in order to install the pipe for the wastewater disposal system. After further discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk to approve the request from the Dairy Farmers of America for a variance of the Road Commission's Road Policies and allow open-cutting the intersection of Elmwood Road and Doerr Road in order to install the pipe for the wastewater disposal system in conjunction with the development of a milk processing plant in the village of Cass City; all in accordance with the specifications outlined in the permit. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Zwerk to approve the request from the Road Commission employees within the Diesel Mechanic classification to transfer to the vacant Deford Division Heavy Equipment Operator position, with the understanding that the employee waive their probationary period and that the transfer is pending until the Diesel Mechanic position is filled; all in accordance with the Union Labor Agreement. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Zwerk seconded by Matuszak that bid addendum item #41 for Millington Township of the 2014 bituminous resurfacing bids be awarded to the low bidder, Albrecht Sand & Gravel Company. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the bids for Grader Blades taken and accepted at the August 14, 2014 regular meeting of the Board be awarded to the overall low bidder, Michigan Cat. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Sheridan seconded by Parsell that the bids for the Remington Road Bridge Replacement Project over the Columbian Drain in Columbia Township taken and accepted at the August 14, 2014 regular meeting of the Board be awarded to the low bidder, Marlette Excavating Company. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Zwerk seconded by Sheridan that the agreement between Richard Sylvester and the Tuscola County Road Commission allowing Designated and Special Designated All-Season loads for Quanicassee Road from their establishment north of Dutcher Road to State Trunkline Highway M-25 be extended for an additional two (2) years with the conditions specified in the agreement. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Sheridan seconded by Matuszak that the agreement between MacFarlane Trucking and the Tuscola County Road Commission allowing Designated and Special Designated All-Season loads for Quanicassee Road from their establishment south of Elmwood Road to State Trunkline Highway M-25 be extended for an additional two (2) years with the conditions specified in the agreement. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the agreement between LaBudde Group, Inc. and the Tuscola County Road Commission allowing Designated and Special Designated All-Season loads for Rayl Road from the north village limit of Akron north to their driveway on Rayl Road be extended for an additional two (2) years with the conditions specified in the agreement. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Director of Finance Michael Tuckey presented to the Board a request from the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners requesting that the Road Commission consider adjusting its meeting schedule so that it does not conflict with their meetings. The Board recognizes that the meeting schedules do not conflict for the next few months, and will further discuss the request before the end of this year. In the meantime, the Board requests additional information from the County Board of Commissioners regarding their meetings and schedule.

M.E.R.S. of Michigan Regional Manager Marne Carlson appeared before the Board to review and discuss the Road Commission's pension plans. After review and discussion, the Board will further discuss the pension plans after receiving additional actuarial information from M.E.R.S. of Michigan.

Management and the Board discussed the upcoming 2014-15 winter season and the Road Commission's winter maintenance operations. Director of Finance Michael Tuckey reported to the Board the increase in salt prices this upcoming season. The early salt price increased from \$39.80/ton to \$63.31/ton (increase of 59%), and the backup salt price increased from \$40.98/ton to \$70.96/ton (increase of 73%). Tuckey further reported that the Michigan Transportation Fund revenue remains flat for the 2014 budget year. The Board will further discuss the Road Commission's winter maintenance operations and increased expenses.

Motion by Sheridan seconded by Parsell to approve upgrading the design costs by Rowe Professional Services for the Cemetery Road Bridge Federal Aid Project from a bridge rehabilitation to a bridge replacement. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the meeting be adjourned at 11:10 A.M. Sheridan, Matuszak, Zwerk, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Chairman

Tuscola County Health Department
Board of Commissioners Monthly Report for September 2014
Prepared by: Gretchen Tenbusch, RN, MSA, Health Officer

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Outcomes for the Month:

- We received a grant for the Children's Special Health Care Services program to promote the program and to include client input into program policies and procedures.

Issues under consideration by the Local Health Department:

- The FY14-15 Budgets are being submitted.
- The Health Department has offered five late clinics in the month of September. This is three additional evening clinics. This was done to assist parents in getting their children's immunizations up to date for school and to avoid children being suspended due to their immunization status.
- As of September 15, 2014, there are no reported confirmed cases of D68 in Michigan. D68 is a non-polio enterovirus and is thought to occur less commonly than infections with other enteroviruses. Hospitals in Missouri and Illinois are seeing more children that usual with severe respiratory illness possibly due to enterovirus D68. The Michigan Department of Community Health has put protocols in place for testing and those have been shared with our local hospitals and physicians. Symptoms include mild to severe respiratory illness. Transmission is thought to occur much like the common cold virus, by person to person when an infected person coughs, sneezes. An uninfected person can also get the virus by touching a contaminated surface. There is no treatment or vaccine at this time. Many infections will be mild and self-limited while some people may need to be hospitalized. Individuals can protect themselves by 1) washing their hands with soap and water for 20 seconds; 2) avoid touching their eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands; 3) avoid kissing, hugging and sharing cups or eating utensils with people who are sick; 4) disinfect frequently touched surfaces, such as toys and doorknobs, especially if someone is sick.
- The Health Department went live with an HL7 interface to the Michigan Care Improvement Registry.

Issues to be brought to Board of Commissioners:

- None.

Mike Hoagland

From: Brad Roseberry CABT [broseberry@cabt.org]
Sent: Thursday, September 11, 2014 5:34 PM
To: mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org
Subject: CABT Unveils New Website - Take a Look

Dear Michael:

I would like to let you know that the Coalition Against Bigger Trucks has launched a brand new website at www.cabt.org. Please visit our new site and let us know what you think. We hope you find the website informative, attractive and easy to navigate.

We are excited about this launch for a number of reasons. First, we believe the new website will allow visitors the ability to quickly find what they are looking for. Our "Facts" page captures the fundamental arguments of our case against bigger trucks, and our "Latest News" page will keep you informed on media stories from across the country.

Next, we designed the website to serve as a tool for our supporters. There is now a "Research" tab, where you can download studies and reports published over the last 30 years on issues related to bigger trucks, including highway safety and infrastructure damage. We will update this page frequently and are confident you will find it to be a valuable resource.

Finally, we installed a Take Action Center that you can access by clicking the [Tell Congress: No Bigger Trucks](#) feature on our home page. This is an easy way to let your representatives in Congress know you are opposed to bigger trucks. You can personalize your letter opposing bigger trucks and send it to your representatives with the click of a button.

This website has been designed for you and our supporters throughout the country. We hope you will share it with your colleagues and community leaders. Again, thank you for all you do to make our roads safe. Your commitment is vital to our success.

Sincerely,

Brad Roseberry
Assistant Vice President
Coalition Against Bigger Trucks

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