

**TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING AGENDA**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2019 – 8:00 A.M.

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

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8:00 A.M. Call to Order – Chairperson Bardwell
Prayer – Pastor William Sanders, Watrousville United Methodist Church
Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Jensen
Roll Call – Clerk Fetting
Adoption of Agenda
Action on Previous Meeting Minutes (**See Correspondence #1**)
Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only
Consent Agenda Resolution (**None**)

New Business

- Request to Fill Vacant Full Time Dispatcher Position (**See Correspondence #2**)
- Region VII Presentation – Carol Gillis

Old Business

- County Land Bank Resolution
- Health Department Personnel Policies
- Annual Delegation of School Plan Reviews
- Farm Lease Bids
- State Land Survey
- KC Communications Contract Continuation

Correspondence/Resolutions

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

BARDWELL

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

YOUNG

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Dispatch Authority Board
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
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MAC Environmental Regulatory
Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee
NACO-Energy, Environment & Land Use
Parks and Recreation Commission
Tuscola County Fair Board Liaison
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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
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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 26, 2019 Full Board & Statutory Finance Minutes
- #2 Request to Fill Vacant Full Time Position at Dispatch
- #3 Community Corrections Inmate Man Hours September 2019
- #4 Committee of the Whole Minutes 10-14-19
- #5 Road Commission Minutes 09-19-19 Meeting
- #6 Mackinac County Resolution in Support of Line 5 Tunnel
- #7 Lake County Resolution #1910 Opposed to the Trial Court Funding Commission Interim Report dated 4-8-2019 that changes the County Clerks Constitutional duties
- #8 Alger County Resolution #2019-20 Opposing Legislation to Prevent County Commissioner Candidates from Disclosing Their Party Affiliation
- #9 Lapeer County Resolution in Support of Line 5 Tunnel

Draft
TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
September 26, 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 26th day of September 2019, to order at 8:00 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Worship Director, Nicholas Schmelter, First Presbyterian Church, Caro

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Young

Roll Call – Clerk Jodi Fetting

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young, District 2 - Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Kim Vaughan, District 4 - Mark Jensen, District 5 – Daniel Grimshaw (arrived at 8:09 a.m.)

Commissioner Absent - None

Also Present: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Eean Lee, Mike Miller Nicholas Schmelter, Register John Bishop, Mark Haney, Treasurer Patricia Donovan-Gray, Sandy Nielsen, Eric Morris, Shelly Lutz

Adoption of Agenda -

19-M-173

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

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -

19-M-174

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan to adopt the meeting minutes from the September 12, 2019 Regular Board as corrected and Statutory Finance meetings. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only -

-Clerk Fetting asked for clarification on the Consent Agenda motion regarding Capital Services contract versus the proposed motion. The Consent Agenda motion can remain.

Consent Agenda Resolution -

19-M-175

Motion by Young, seconded by Jensen that the Consent Agenda Minutes and Consent Agenda Resolution from the September 23, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Reference: A

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 9/23/19

Description of Matter: Move to approve the two month contract with Capitol Services through November 30, 2019 for \$4,200 each month. Also, all signatures and budget amendments be authorized.

Old Business (continued below) -

-Child Care Fund Parent Education and Supervised Visitation Contract for 2019/2020 - Karen Southgate presented information regarding the contract.

19-M-176

Motion by Young, seconded by Jensen that the previously approved budgeted contract for the Parent Education & Supervised Visitation program with List Psychological Services PLC. Services for October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020 be approved and all signatures be authorized. Motion Carried.

New Business (continued below)-

-RFP for Farm Leased Land - Mike Miller presented the proposed RFP. Board discussed which party should be responsible for the property taxes. The Board is wondering what taxes the County is paying on the property. Treasurer Donovan-Gray confirmed that the property is marked exempt in the tax system.

19-M-179

Motion by Young, seconded by Jensen to approve the RFP as presented for the Farm Leased Land. Motion Carried.

-Tuscola County Health Department Personnel Policies - Clayette Zechmeister presented the proposed policies that have been updated. The Board of Health has approved the proposed policies. Board discussed the proposed change in Section 6.1 as well as others.

17-M-177

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Jensen to table the approval of the Health Department policy changes, to refer to the County Human Resources Department for further review and to have Ann Hepfer attend an upcoming meeting to present the proposed changes to the Board. Motion Carried.

-Tuscola County Health Department Fee Schedule - Board reviewed the proposed fee schedule presented in the Board packet.

19-M-178

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Vaughan to approve the Tuscola County Health Department Fee Schedule effective date of October 1, 2019 as approved by the Board of Health. Motion Carried with Grimshaw dissenting.

-Mosquito Abatement Update (matter added) - Clayette Zechmeister provided an update on behalf of Kim Green regarding the Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) concern and the efforts that Kim is taking to assist in combating a potential outbreak.

Old Business (continued from above) -

-Vanderbilt Park Dump Station - Mike Miller presented what the additional cost would be to upgrade the station to be able to include the addition of showers at a later date. Tip Maguire told Mike Miller that a permit from EGLE is no longer required. Mike Miller can proceed forward to include the potential of adding in the shower option.

-Economic Development Corporation (EDC) Articles of Incorporation Review - Clayette Zechmeister presented the written opinion provided by the county attorney in reference to question three in the letter presented by Abbey, Abbey and Thomas PLLC. Board discussed the EDC Articles of Incorporation. Board would like to determine if they have been filed with the State of Michigan. Board also discussed the appointment process of members to the EDC Board. Board discussed the current EDC by-laws.

New Business (continued from above)-

-Closed Session for Labor Negotiations -

19-M-180

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan 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 new collective bargaining agreements. Also, allow Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Shelly Lutz and attorney representative Eric Morris with Braun Kendrick Law Firm to be in attendance. Roll Call Vote: Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried at 9:37 a.m.

19-M-181

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Young to reconvene from Closed session at 11:17 a.m. Roll Call Vote: Vaughan - yes; Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

19-M-182

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Grimshaw to approve the September 26, 2019 Closed Session minutes. Motion Carried.

Recessed at 11:20 a.m.
Reconvened at 11:29 a.m.

Correspondence (continued below) -

-Commissioner Bardwell read a communication received from Jean Doss to provide to the news media as a statement regarding the Caro Center on the County's behalf. Board discussed.

Old Business (continued from above) -

-Treasurer Account Clerk III Position Refill -
19-M-083

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Young to temporarily lift the county hiring freeze and authorize the hiring of Garrett Smith to fill the vacant Account Clerk III position in the County Treasurer's office at Step I effective September 30, 2019 pending favorable background, physical and drug screen. Motion Carried.

-KC Communications Contract Continuation - Board would like to continue the contract at this time. Matter to be placed on the agenda at the beginning of November to consider continuation or termination.

Correspondence/Resolutions (continued from above) -

-Prosecutor Reene would like to meet with the Finance Committee to discuss the 2020 Budget. Board discussed the proper way to handle. Clerk Fetting to contact Attorney Clayton Johnson for guidance.

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

JENSEN

Board of Health

Community Corrections Advisory Board - Meeting cancelled as the state budget has not been passed.

Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility (MCF) Liaison - MCF has received donations from families to use towards landscaping.

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works

Jail Planning Committee

Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

MAC Judiciary Committee

MEMS All Hazard

Local Units of Government Activity Report - Tuscola Township is still working on repairing their cemetery from the spring floods.

BARDWELL

Behavioral Health Systems Board - Meets tonight.
Caro DDA/TIFA - Report provided.
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
MAC 7th District - Minutes from the meeting have been sent.
MAC Workers Comp Board
TRIAD - Annual meeting is upcoming.
Local Units of Government Activity Report

YOUNG

Board of Public Works
County Road Commission Liaison
Dispatch Authority Board - Texting to 911 is up and running.
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works - Report provided.
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
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Senior Services Advisory Council - Report provided.
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Local Units of Government Activity Report - Commissioner Vaughan presented a concern he received from a resident in Dayton Township regarding the run-off of their drive-way and the Road Commission.

GRIMSHAW - No Report.

Behavioral Health Systems Board
Recycling Advisory
Local Units of Government

Other Business as Necessary -

- Grand Traverse County Resolution - Board discussed.
- SCMCCI - Board would like to review the information that was requested at the September 23, 2019 meeting upon it being presented.
- Animal Control Ordinance - The draft ordinance is in final review stages.
- Community Corrections Report

Extended Public Comment - None

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

DRAFT

Statutory Finance Committee Minutes
September 26, 2019
H.H. Purdy Building
125 W. Lincoln St, Caro MI

Meeting called to order at 12:35 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Young, Bardwell, Jensen, Grimshaw

Commissioners Absent: Vaughan

Also Present: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister

-Claims and Per Diems were reviewed and approved.

Public Comment - None

Meeting adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

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Tuscola County Central Dispatch

Sandra Nielsen, Director

October 15, 2019

From: Sandra Nielsen, Director

Subject: Request to Hire

To: Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

Dear Commissioners,

I respectfully request the Board of Commissioners to concur with hiring Kayla Neeley as a full time dispatcher. This request is to fill a vacant full time dispatcher position. Central Dispatch has the required funds in the budget to fill this position. The dispatch operating fund comes from 911 telephone surcharge and does not affect the general fund. Full staffing is essential in providing 9-1-1 communications services to the county and the community.

Thank you,



Sandra Nielsen, Director
Tuscola County Central Dispatch

Worksite hours: September 2019

Human Development Center:	111
Recycling:	129
Fowler Center:	259
Idianfields Twp:	136
Animal Control:	140
Knight of Columbus:	10
Fairgrove Bean Festival:	84
Octagon Barn:	172
Maintanance (Vanderbuilt Park)	10
Maintanance (Recycling North)	50
American Legion:	14
Vassar Schools:	40
Unionville Hydrants:	30
Project Red (set up)	15
Relay for Life:	42
Pumpkin Festival:	49
Caro Garden Club:	15
Career Day (set up)	12
Road side Clean- up	44
Totals for September	Hours 1,362

Draft
Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Committee of the Whole
Monday, October 14, 2019 – 8:00 A.M.
HH Purdy Building - 125 W. Lincoln, Caro, MI

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young, District 2 - Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Kim Vaughan, District 4 - Mark Jensen, District 5 - Daniel Grimshaw (arrived at 8:03 a.m.)

Absent: None

Also Present: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Eean Lee, Mike Miller, Nancy Laskowski, Ann Hepfer, John Axe, Treasurer Patricia Donovan-Gray, Nancy Erdody, Marilyn Holt, Shelly Lutz, Mark Haney, Jean Doss (via conference call)

Finance/Technology
Committee Leaders-Commissioners Young and Jensen

Primary Finance/Technology

1. **Land Bank** - John Axe reviewed the changes made to the Resolution to Create the Tuscola County Land Bank Authority. He also explained how the Articles of Incorporation and By-laws would be adopted. Commissioner Grimshaw expressed concern over how much the County Land Bank would be utilized. Board discussed at length. Matter to be placed on Thursday's board agenda.
2. **Health Department Personnel Policies** – Ann Hepfer, Health Officer reviewed changes made in the Tuscola County Health Department changes in 2019 personnel policies. Board discussed when health insurance to a new employee would be effective. Board discussed at length. Matter to be placed on Thursday's board agenda.
3. **"Made in the Thumb", Jennifer Leitzel** - Ms. Leitzel did not appear to discuss the matter.
4. **Economic/Enrichment, Brian Ewald** - Mr. Ewald did not appear to discuss the matter.
5. **Building Codes Permit Summary Report** - Clayette Zechmeister provided the report on behalf of SCMCCI. Board discussed current procedures and what enforcement options are available if a person does not follow the guidelines provided. Matter discussed at length.
6. **Report from Jean Doss (matter added)** - Jean Doss provided a report regarding the FY 2019-20 State Budget and the vetoes that were issued by the Governor. Matters relating to the Caro Center were discussed. Board discussed the matter.
7. **Annual Delegation of School Plan Reviews** - Clayette Zechmeister presented the annual delegation of school plan reviews which need to be approved by the Board and signed by the Board Chair. Clayette will contact SCMCCI for clarification on what happens if the Reese School Plan is not approved. Each school plan approval is to be placed on Thursday's board agenda.
8. **Governor Vetoes Funds Effect on Tuscola County** - Clayette Zechmeister reviewed how the vetoed funds will affect Tuscola County. Matter discussed by the Board.

Recessed at 10:41 a.m.
Reconvened at 10:49 a.m.

9. **Security Status Updates** - Eean Lee presented a quarterly update regarding security of Tuscola County Information Systems.
10. **Dog Ordinance Review** - Clayette Zechmeister has provided a draft ordinance to the Commissioners to review prior to the meeting on Thursday where it will be an agenda item. Commissioner Grimshaw expressed concerns over the draft ordinance. Board discussed proposed ordinance. Meeting to be set up to discuss proposed changes.
11. **Caro Center Water** - Commissioner Young reported that Drain Commissioner Mantey would like to be invited to any meetings that may be scheduled to discuss water to the Caro Center.

On-Going and Other Finance

Finance

1. MREC - updates
2. Update Regarding Assessing/Taxation Disputes with Wind Turbine Companies – SB 46
3. Preparation of Updated Multi-Year Financial Plan
4. Continue Review of Road Commission Legacy Costs
5. 2020 Budget Development

Technology

1. GIS Update
2. Increasing On-Line Services/Updating Web Page
3. Implementation of New Computer Aided Dispatch System

Personnel

Committee Leader-Commissioner Vaughan and Bardwell

Primary Personnel - None

On-Going and Other Personnel

1. Negotiation of Expiring Union Contracts – Setting Financial and Other Objectives
2. Strengthen and Streamline Year-End Open Enrollment
3. Scheduling a MAC 7th Meeting to Determine if Organization will Continue - matter can be removed.

Building and Grounds

Committee Leaders-Commissioners Jensen and Grimshaw

Primary Building and Grounds

1. **Farm Lease Tax Clarification of Property** - Board discussed the current lease that was put out for bid and whose responsibility it is to pay the taxes. Mike Miller opened the two bids received. The first bid was from Putnam Developing and Demolition for \$71.00 per acre. The second bid was from Schriber Farms for \$155.00 per acre. Matter to be placed on Thursday's agenda.
2. **Vanderbilt Park Request to Survey** - Board discussed the potential need to have a new survey completed. Commissioner Grimshaw will contact Robert McKay to review the matter and get clarification.

-Commissioner Vaughan provided an update regarding the state land and having a survey completed on that land to provide to the State. Matter to be added to Thursday's agenda.

On-Going and Other Building and Grounds

1. County Jail Study
2. Recycling Relocation Update
3. County Physical and Electronic Record Storage Needs – Potential Use of Recycling Pole Building
4. Review of Alternative Solutions Concerning the Caro Dam

Other Business as Necessary - None

Public Comment Period - None

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

September 19, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board was held in their offices at 1733 S. Mertz Rd., Caro, Michigan on Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 8:00 A.M.

Present: Road Commissioners John Laurie, Gary Parsell (at 8:10 A.M.), Julie Matuszak, David Kennard, and Duane Weber; Acting County Highway Engineer Brent Dankert, Operations Engineer Technician Will Green, Superintendent/Manager Jay Tuckey, and Director of Finance/Secretary-Clerk Michael Tuckey.

Also Present: County Commissioner Thomas Young.

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Weber that the minutes of the September 5, 2019 regular meeting of the Board be approved. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Weber seconded by Matuszak that the minutes of the September 5, 2019 closed session of the Board be approved. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Laurie --- Carried.

Payroll in the amount of \$101,236.59 and bills in the amount of \$491,971.65 covered by vouchers #19-47, #19-48, and #19-49 were presented and audited.

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Kennard that the payroll and bills be approved. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Laurie --- Carried.

Brief Public Comment Segment:

- (1) Mr. Stan Golis appeared before the Board to discuss the water drainage at his property on Buell Road in Tuscola Township. Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert will meet with Mr. Golis on-site, and review the water drainage in the area.
- (2) Indianfields Township Supervisor Ray Rendon appeared before the Board to discuss the township's road projects this season. Mr. Rendon asked for the current status of the survey and design project on Bruisee Road. Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert explained the current status of the project. Mr. Rendon also requested a variance of the Local Road Improvement and Township Allowance Policy due to the late request for roadwork, in order to complete the paving project on Ryan Road from Riley to Bevens yet this season. After discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Kennard to grant Indianfields Township a one-year variance of the Local Road Improvement and Township Allowance Policy for the 2019 season by approving the late request for roadwork by paving Ryan Road from Riley to Bevens yet this season; with the understanding that in 2020 Indianfields Township will return to the policy requiring local road paving projects to be submitted by April 15th. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

At 8:15 A.M. the following proposals were opened for furnishing Chloride Sand for the 2019-20 winter season:

	Delivered To
<u>Bidder</u>	<u>All TCRC Garages</u>
Mark Martin & Sons, Inc.	\$ 18.65/ton

Motion by Weber seconded by Kennard that the proposals for furnishing Chloride Sand for the 2019-20 winter season be accepted and awarded to Mark Martin & Sons, Inc. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Brief Public Comment Segment (continued):

- (3) Mr. Earl Schram appeared before the Board to discuss the water drainage at his property on North Lake Road in Watertown Township. Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert will meet with Mr. Schram on-site, and review the water drainage in the area.
- (4) Ms. Cindy Hills appeared before the Board to discuss the status of the Oakhurst Park limestone project in Wisner Township. Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert provided a report of the current status of the project.
- (5) County Commissioner Thomas Young provided a report from the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners.

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert provided an update to the Board regarding the status of the road closure on Boy Scout Road.

Mr. John Karwat appeared before the Board to discuss the water drainage at his property on Truax Road in Tuscola Township. Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert will meet with Mr. Karwat on-site, and review the water drainage in the area.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Kennard to revise the date for the Permit issued for the closure of Fostoria Road between Saginaw St. and Lincoln St. from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. on October 6, 2019 for a Fire Department fundraiser; and that the Road Commission will provide standard traffic control signs for the closure. Kennard, Weber, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Parsell that the agreement between L. Walther & Sons, Inc. and the Tuscola County Road Commission allowing Designated and Special Designated All-Season loads on Wilsie Road from its west end easterly to Cemetery Road be extended for two (2) years with the conditions specified in the agreement. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Kennard seconded by Weber to approve the Road Commission change to its winter operating hours effective Monday, October 14, 2019; as recommended by the Superintendent/Manager. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak to approve the request from the Tuscola Township Board to install a Solar Speed Radar Sign on Van Cleve Road, as recommended by the Acting County Highway Engineer. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Weber to approve the Road Agreement with Vassar Township to apply crushed gravel to Waterman Road, contingent upon a representative from the Vassar Township Board come to the Road Commission office and request a variance of the Local Road Improvement and Township Allowance Policy. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Kennard to approve the request from Pyramid Paving Company to work on Sundays in order to complete their 2019 planned paving projects. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert provided a report to the Board of the water drainage on Brown Road in Watertown Township, previously discussed at the August 22, 2019 regular meeting of the Board.

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert provided an update to the Board of the current road and bridge damages caused by area flooding.

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert provided an update to the Board regarding the Shays Lake Road Box Culvert.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the Board go into closed session at 9:20 A.M. for the purpose of discussing a pending lawsuit. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

At 9:55 A.M. the Board returned to open session.

Management and the Board further discussed the water drainage on Buell Road, previously discussed earlier this meeting.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the meeting be adjourned at 10:15 A.M. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Carried.

Chairman

Secretary-Clerk of the Board

MACKINAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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MACKINAC COUNTY RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LINE 5 TUNNEL

WHEREAS, Enbridge's Line 5 has been operating safely and reliably in the Straits of Mackinac for more than 66 years; and

WHEREAS, Enbridge's Line 5, a light crude and natural gas liquids pipeline, helps to safely meet Michigan's energy needs by fulfilling more than half of the propane needs of the state, and 69% of the needs of Upper Peninsula residents; and

WHEREAS, the products delivered to regional refineries provide jobs and ultimately fuel our lives; and

WHEREAS, issues have been raised by several concerned parties regarding the possibility and impact of a breach of Line 5 into the Straits of Mackinac. Multiple and extensive inspections and safety tests over the last several years have confirmed the integrity of Line 5 at the Straits of Mackinac.

WHEREAS, consequences to energy supply, local producers, regional airports and refineries, jobs, local economies and the pocketbook of Michiganders across the entire state are too great for Line 5 to be shut down before the tunnel replacement can be completed.

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan, under the Snyder administration, and Enbridge negotiated an "agreement" for a 5 year \$500 million project, to construct a tunnel 100 feet below bedrock to encase Line 5, the entire length of the Straits, in one-foot-thick concrete walls in order to mitigate the chances of any leaks of product into the Great Lakes.

WHEREAS, the recently elected Michigan Attorney General, Dana Nessel, has subsequently opposed the negotiated "agreement" and filed a law-suit in Ingham County Circuit Court to close down Line 5 immediately, effectively canceling all efforts to begin construction of the tunnel; and

WHEREAS, this action may very well provide unintended consequences for all parties as the litigation to close down Line 5 may take years to be resolved in the court with no assurance of the outcome and;

WHEREAS, the time to resolved the litigation may simply result in the delay of the start of the construction of the tunnel thereby leaving the existing Line 5 in place unnecessarily for several additional years.

WHEREAS, Enbridge has demonstrated a willingness to work with the State to both protect the Great Lakes and ensure the continued safe delivery of energy we all rely on.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Mackinac County Board of Commissioners hereby joins with other Michigan Counties in extending its support for Enbridge's proposed tunnel replacement project

and urges the State of Michigan to work with Enbridge to complete the tunnel project as quickly as possible and not disrupt Line 5 service before the tunnel can be completed.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mackinac County sends this resolution to all counties of Michigan as an invitation to join in expressing support for increasing the safety of our current energy infrastructure as our society simultaneously seeks energy efficiencies and energy alternatives that will continue to reduce risks to our environment.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Moved by: McPhee
Supported by: Krause
Ayes: Hill, Krause, Litzner, McPhee, Patrick
Nays: None
Absent: None

I, Lori Johnston, Clerk to the Mackinac County Board of Commissioners, do hereby certify and set my seal to the above resolution as adopted by the Mackinac County Board of Commissioners at their regular meeting held on the 26th day of September 2019.


Lori Johnston, County Clerk


James B. Hill, Chair

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF LAKE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

At a regular session of the said Board, held in the Township of Yates, in said County, on the 25th day of September, the following Resolution was adopted:

Resolution # 1910

Trial Court Funding Commission Interim Report

WHEREAS, the County Clerks in Michigan have a Constitutional stake in the Trial Court funding question, but were excluded from participation in the Trial Court Funding Commission. The County Clerks have a unique relationship with the courts and a perspective that should be heard with making recommendations for substantial changes; and

WHEREAS, the goal of Public Act 65 of 2017 was to create a Trial Court Funding Commission to "review and recommend changes to the Trial Court Funding System in light of *People v. Cunningham*", and

WHEREAS, the interim report recommends altering the Michigan Constitution to provide that Circuit Court Clerks are employed by the Court and under the supervision of the State Government rather than the County Clerk.

WHEREAS, County Clerks serve a critical role in the judicial system. They are Constitutionally mandated to ensure the integrity of the records and protecting the best interests of our citizens. Removing County Clerks from the picture would serve as substantial disruption to the purpose that we serve.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: the Lake County Board of Commissioners are opposed to the Trial Court Funding Commission Interim Report dated April 8, 2019 sub topic section that would change the County Clerks Constitutional duties to Circuit Court.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Senator Curt Vanderwall, Representative Scott Vansingle, the Michigan Association of Counties

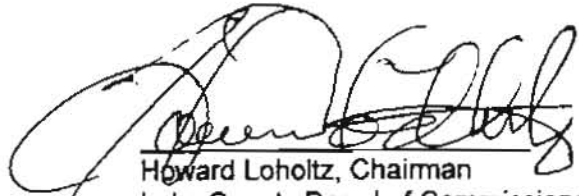
Motion by: Commissioner Dermeyer, Seconded by Commissioner Arquette, to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

Ayes (name): Batulis, Martin, Arquette, Dermeyer, Sanders, Walls and Lodholtz

Nays (name): none

Absent (name): none

The Resolution was adopted September 25, 2019



Howard Loholtz, Chairman
Lake County Board of Commissioner

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF LAKE) SS

I, Patti Pacola, Lake County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lake County Board of Commissioner at a regular session held on September 25, 2019.



Patti Pacola/Lake County Clerk
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners

ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Mary Ann Froberg, Clerk
101 COURT STREET, MUNISING MI 49862

RESOLUTION #2019-20

OPPOSING LEGISLATION TO PREVENT COUNTY COMMISSIONER CANDIDATES FROM DISCLOSING THEIR PARTY AFFILIATION ON BALLOTS PROVIDED TO MICHIGAN VOTERS

WHEREAS, Executive Director of the Michigan Association of Counties (MAC), of which Alger County is a dues paying member, stated MAC is considering supporting a change to Michigan election law; and

WHEREAS, this change in Michigan law would force candidates for the office of County Commissioner to run as a "non-partisan" candidate and would prohibit said candidates from disclosing their party affiliation on ballots provided to Michigan voters; and

WHEREAS, preventing disclosure of a candidate's party affiliation needlessly restricts and censors information that Michigan voters have traditionally relied upon to help them select a candidate who shares their values; and

WHEREAS, the proposed change to Michigan election law is not needed as current Michigan law already permits County Commission candidates to withhold information about their party affiliation from being print on ballots provided to Michigan voters; and

WHEREAS, under the current law, Commissioner Candidates are able to run for office without being affiliated with a political party and disclosing their affiliation, by running as an independent candidate.


THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Alger County Board of Commissioners hereby support providing Michigan voters with full information about their candidates for County Commissioner, and hereby oppose forcing a candidate for County Commissioner to run as a "non-partisan" candidate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alger County Board of Commissioners hereby request copies of this resolution be sent to State Senator Ed McBroom, State Representative Sara Cambensy, the Michigan Association of Counties, and all Michigan Counties, within two weeks of the passage of this resolution.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Alger County Board of Commissioners at the time, date, and place specified above pursuant to the required statutory procedures.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Ann Froberg, Alger County Clerk

Dated: September 16, 2019



Lapeer County, Michigan

RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING LINE 5 TUNNEL

WHEREAS, Enbridge's Line 5 has been operating safely and reliably in the Straits of Mackinac for more than 66 years; and,

WHEREAS, Enbridge's Line 5, a light crude and natural gas liquids pipeline, helps to safely meet Michigan's energy needs by fulfilling more than half of the propane needs of the state, and 69% of the needs of Upper Peninsula residents; and,

WHEREAS, the products delivered to regional refineries provide jobs and ultimately fuel our lives; and

WHEREAS, issues have been raised by several concerned parties regarding the possibility and impact of a breach of Line 5 into the Straits of Mackinac, as well as multiple and extensive inspections and safety tests over the last several years have confirmed the integrity of Line 5 at the Straits of Mackinac; and,

WHEREAS, consequences to energy supply, local producers, regional airports and refineries, jobs, local economies and the pocketbook of Michiganders across the entire state are too great for Line 5 to be shut down before the tunnel replacement can be completed; and,

WHEREAS, Enbridge and the State of Michigan, under the Snyder administration, negotiated an "agreement" for a five-year, \$500 million project, to construct a tunnel 100 feet below bedrock to encase Line 5, the entire length of the Straits, in one-foot-thick concrete walls in order to mitigate the chances of any leaks of product into the Great Lakes; and,

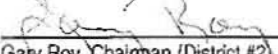
WHEREAS, the recently elected Michigan Attorney General, Dana Nessel, has subsequently opposed the negotiated "agreement" and filed a lawsuit in Ingham County Circuit Court to close down Line 5 immediately, effectively canceling all efforts to begin construction of the tunnel; and,

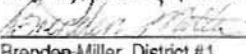
WHEREAS, this action may very well provide unintended consequences for all parties as the litigation to close down Line 5 may take years to be resolved in the court with no assurance of the outcome, and,

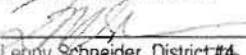
WHEREAS, the time to resolve the litigation may simply result in the delay of the start of the construction of the tunnel, thereby leaving the existing Line 5 in place unnecessarily for several additional years; and,

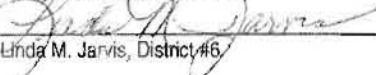
WHEREAS, Enbridge has demonstrated a willingness to work with the State to both protect the Great Lakes and ensure the continued safe delivery of energy upon which we all rely.

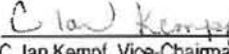
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners hereby joins with other Michigan counties in extending its support for Enbridge's proposed tunnel replacement project and urges the State of Michigan to work with Enbridge to complete the tunnel project as quickly as possible and not disrupt Line 5 service before the tunnel can be completed.

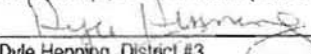

 Gary Roy, Chairman (District #2)

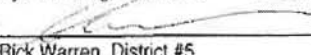

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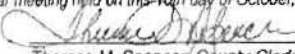

 Linda M. Jarvis, District #6


 C. Ian Kempf, Vice-Chairman (District #7)


 Dyle Henning, District #3


 Rick Warren, District #5

I, Theresa M. Spencer, Clerk to the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners, do hereby certify and set my seal to the above resolution as adopted by the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners at their regular meeting held on this 10th day of October, 2019.


 Theresa M. Spencer, County Clerk