

**TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

THURSDAY AUGUST 13, 2020 – 08:00 A.M.

125 W. Lincoln Street
Caro, MI 48723

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RESIDENTS OF TUSCOLA COUNTY PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
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- 8:00 A.M. Call to Order – Chairperson Bardwell
Prayer – Commissioner Vaughan
Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Jensen
Roll Call – Clerk Fetting
Adoption of Agenda
Action on Previous Meeting Minutes (**See Correspondence #1 & #2**)
Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only
Consent Agenda Resolution (**none**)

New Business

- Request to use Courthouse Lawn for Suicide Prevention Week
(**See Correspondence #3**)
- Appointment to Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems Board
(**See Correspondence #4**)
- Drain Commission Refill Vacant Position
(**See Correspondence #5**)

Old Business

- **8:30** MIDC Information Barb Klimaszewski
 - MIDC Managed Assigned Counsel Administrator Replacement
- **9:00** MIFSM Letter - Dr. David Stockman (**See Correspondence #6**)
- Annex Entry Door Modifications (Prosecutor's Office)

Correspondence/Resolutions

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

YOUNG

Board of Public Works
County Road Commission Liaison
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Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
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GRIMSHAW

Behavioral Health Systems Board
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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. July 30, 2020 Full Board & Statutory Finance Minutes
2. August 10, 2020 Committee of the Whole Minutes
3. Request to use Courthouse Lawn for Suicide Prevention Week
4. Appointment to Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems Board
5. Drain Commission Refill Vacant Position
6. MIFSM Letter
7. Road Commission Board Minutes from July 9, 2020
8. Correspondence from Gary Rolka Regarding Sheriff's Dept. Facilities
9. Hills & Dales 60th Anniversary "Roll or Stroll" Celebration Friday August 14, 2020

Draft
TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
July 30, 2020 Minutes

Electronic Meeting held via Google Meet

Electronic remote access, in accordance with the Michigan Governor's Executive Order 2020-129, implemented in response to COVID-19 social distancing requirements.

Commissioner Bardwell called the meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held via Google Meet on the 30th day of July 2020, to order at 8:01 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Commissioner Grimshaw

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Jensen

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

Commissioner Absent - None

Also Present: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Eean Lee, Brenda Brinkman, Karen Southgate, Mark Haney, Mary Drier, Matt Brown, Mike Miller, Judge Nancy Thane, Sandy Nielsen, Tom Herron, Sheriff Glen Skrent, Mark Ransford, Debbie Babich, Jana Brown, Barry Lapp, Steve Root, Dan Skiver, Lisa Ozbat, Jennie Roteman Bustle, Kelly Quiroga, Robert Baxter, Steve Anderson, Eric Morris

At 8:01 a.m., there were a total of 21 participants attending the electronic meeting.

Adoption of Agenda -
2020-M-158

Motion by Young, seconded by Grimshaw to adopt the agenda as amended.
Roll Call Vote: Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -
2020-M-159

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Young to adopt the meeting minutes from the July 16, 2020 Regular Board and Statutory Finance meetings. Roll Call Vote: Vaughan - yes; Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Young - absent; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only - None

*Consent Agenda Resolution -
2020-M-160*

Motion by Young, seconded by Jensen that the Consent Agenda Minutes and Consent Agenda Resolution from the July 27, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Agenda Reference:** A
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/27/20
- Description of Matter:** Move to approve the contract with List Psychological Services to provide services to children or families who have active Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Tuscola County Child Protective Services (CPS) Category I or II cases, MDHHS Tuscola County Foster Care Cases (CFC) with children under the age of 18 and Tuscola County Family Court Delinquency Cases effective October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021. Also, all appropriate signatures and budget amendments be authorized.
- Agenda Reference:** B
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/27/20
- Description of Matter:** Move to approve the hiring of Allison Dickerson as a full-time dispatcher position at step-one pending favorable physical and background check.
- Agenda Reference:** C
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/27/20
- Description of Matter:** Move to support the Region VII plan as presented and also receive and place on file.

New Business -

*-Resolution for Tom Herron -
2020-M-161*

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan that resolution 2020-8 honoring Tom Herron for his tremendous building contributions in Tuscola County and numerous projects throughout the Thumb including the renovation of the Helen Stevens Memorial Pool and the Splash Park in Cass City be approved and placed on file. Roll Call Vote - Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; Jensen - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

-Request to use Courthouse Lawn for Petition Signing - Clayette explained the request received.

2020-M-162

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Jensen that per the correspondence request dated July 16, 2020 from Jeannie Roteman Bustle, permission be granted to use the Courthouse Lawn for a petition signing site for the following days: July 31st, August 1st, 3rd, 4th, 7th, 8th, 14th, 15th, 21st, 22nd and also on Sept 4th, 5th with the understanding that the setup be at least 100 feet away from the building during elections. Roll Call Vote - Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

-Request to use Courthouse Steps for Rosary Rally - Clayette explained the request received.

2020-M-163

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Young that per the correspondence request dated July 27, 2020 from Dave Kolacz, permission be granted to use the Courthouse steps October 10, 2020 from 12:00 p.m. until approximately 1:00 p.m. for the annual Rosary Rally. Roll Call Vote: Vaughan - yes; Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

-Update from Tuscola County Health Officer Ann Hepfer on the COVID-19 Pandemic - Ann Hepfer reviewed the number of new COVID cases reported this week for Huron and Tuscola Counties. She also reviewed the changes issued yesterday by Governor Whitmer. The local testing numbers and results were discussed.

-Blue Cross/Blue Shield Renewal with Brown & Brown, Daniel Skiver, VP - Dan Skiver explained the renewal proposal.

2020-M-164

Motion by Vaughan, seconded by Young that the county health insurance coverage be continued with Blue Cross/Blue Shield for the period of September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized. Roll Call Vote: Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

-Chris Hamilton - SCMCCI Update on Local Staffing at the SCMCCI Office in Caro - Chris Hamilton provided an update as Curtis Stowe has officially retired and Dan Syms has taken his place. Jerry Peruski has also retired and Jerry Dibble along with another inspector will assume those duties. The Board also discussed monthly reports and fees charged. Also, discussed zoning reviews in the Village of Cass City.

Recessed at 9:57 a.m.

Reconvened at 10:10 a.m.

-Closed Session regarding the Michigan State Police (MSP) Building Lease (matter added) -

2020-M-165

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Vaughan that the Board meet in Closed Session under Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act to consider written material from the County's attorney that is exempt from disclosure by Section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act with Jensen, Vaughan, Bardwell, Young, Grimshaw, Fetting, Zechmeister, Lee, Miller, Morris and Johnson allowed to attend. Roll Call Vote: Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; Jensen - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Closed Session at 10:17 a.m.

Reconvened from Closed Session at 11:03 a.m.

At 11:05 a.m., there were a total of 21 participants attending the electronic meeting.

-MSP Building Lease Renewal - Board discussed options available in renewing the lease for the MSP Building.

2020-M-166

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Vaughan to agree to waive the 90-day notice and authorize the extension of Lease #10724 with the State of Michigan, Department of Technology, Management & Budget, for the Michigan State Police Building located at 1485 Cleaver Rd, Caro MI. Lease is for an additional period of five years beginning August 1, 2020, and ending July 31, 2025, pursuant to the terms and conditions of said Lease, including any amendments. Also, all appropriate signatures be authorized. Roll Call Vote: Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - no; Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

-State Revenue Sharing Update (matter added) - Board discussed the decrease in state revenue sharing explained in the Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) newsletter and how that is tied to COVID grant funding.

Old Business -

-2020/2021 Child Care Fund State Budget - Board discussed the proposed budget for the upcoming year.

2020-M-167

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Young that the 2020/2021 Child Care Fund Budget including both the Family Court and Department of Health and Human Services divisions be approved and submitted to the state. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized. Roll Call Vote: Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Vaughan - yes; Jensen - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

-Michigan Institute of Forensic Science & Medicine (MIFSM) (matter added) - Clayette explained to the Board that Clayton Johnson is waiting on a response so until that happens an official update cannot be provided. Matter to be placed on a future agenda for further discussion.

-ORV Ordinance (matter added) - Board discussed current county ordinance and how it relates to snowmobiles. Board would like to gather more information and have the matter added to a future agenda for further discussion.

Correspondence/Resolutions - None

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

BARDWELL

Behavioral Health Systems Board
Caro DDA/TIFA - Ground breaking at new site for the Caro Farmer's Market today.
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
MAC 7th District
MAC Workers Comp Board
TRIAD
Local Units of Government Activity Report

YOUNG - No Report

Board of Public Works
County Road Commission Liaison
Dispatch Authority Board
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
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VAUGHAN

Board of Health
County Planning Commission
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment - New grant opportunity for small businesses.
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

Behavioral Health Systems Board

Recycling Advisory

Local Units of Government - Denmark Township is building their new hall.

JENSEN

Board of Health

Community Corrections Advisory Board

Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison - Report provided.

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works

Jail Planning Committee

Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

MAC Judiciary Committee

MEMS All Hazard

Local Units of Government Activity Report

Other Business as Necessary -

-Boy Scout Road Update - Commissioner Bardwell provided an update regarding partial opening of Boy Scout Road.

-MIDC Administrator Replacement - Applications have been coming in. Barb Klimaszewski will review the applications and be a part of the interview process. Clayette will also work with Judge Gierhart during the selection process.

-MAC Conference - If any Commissioners are interested in attending, please contact Renee.

-Commissioner Grimshaw would like to have the matter of establishing City Water for MSP Building added to the Building and Grounds Committee on the Committee of the Whole meeting agenda.

-Clayette Zechmeister stated the Tuscola County Pumpkin Festival has been cancelled this year.

At 12:23 p.m., there were a total of 16 participants attending the electronic meeting.

Extended Public Comment - None

2020-M-168

Motion by Young, seconded by Jensen to adjourn the Board of Commissioners meeting at 12:24 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Vaughan - yes; Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1:09 p.m.

Jodi Fetting

Tuscola County Clerk

Statutory Finance Committee Minutes

July 30, 2020

Electronic remote access, in accordance with the Michigan Governor's Executive Order 2020-129, implemented in response to COVID-19 social distancing requirements.

Meeting called to order at 12:26 p.m.

Roll Call by Clerk Fetting: Young, Bardwell, Jensen, Grimshaw

Commissioners Absent: Vaughan

Also Present: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Eean Lee, Mark Haney, Steve Root, Steve Anderson, Mark Haney, Mary Drier, Matt Brown, Sandy Nielsen

At 12:26 p.m., there were a total of 12 participants attending the electronic meeting.

2020-SF-M-027

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Jensen to approve the daily checks from July 28, 2020 for payment. Roll Call Vote: Young - yes; Vaughan - absent; Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

2020-SF-M-028

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by Jensen to approve the finance checks as submitted on the July 30, 2020 report. Roll Call Vote: Vaughan - absent; Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

2020-SF-M-029

Motion by Jensen, seconded by Young to approve the July Per Diems as submitted on the July 2020 report. Roll Call Vote: Vaughan - absent; Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Public Comment - None

2020-SF-M-030

Motion by Young, seconded by Grimshaw to adjourn the meeting at 12:36 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Grimshaw - yes; Young - yes; Vaughan - absent; Jensen - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:36 p.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

Draft
Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Committee of the Whole
Monday, August 10, 2020 – 8:00 A.M.

Electronic remote access via Google Meet in accordance with the Michigan Governor's Executive Order 2020-154, implemented in response to COVID-19 social distancing requirements.

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young, District 2 - Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Kim Vaughan (excused at 10:51 a.m.), District 4 - Mark Jensen, District 5 - Daniel Grimshaw

Absent: None

Also Present: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Eean Lee, Mark Haney, Mary Drier, Matt Brown, Wayne Koper, Mike Miller, Sandy Nielsen, Debbie Babich, Steve Anderson, Barry Lapp, Judge Amy Grace Gierhart, Doug DuRussel, Cody Horton, Mark Ransford, Treasurer Patricia Donovan-Gray, Cindy McKinney-Volz

At 8:02 a.m. there were 20 people attending the electronic meeting.

Building and Grounds

Committee Leaders-Commissioners Jensen and Grimshaw

Primary Building and Grounds

1. Recycling Relocation Update - Mike Miller provided an update on the forward progress that has been made on the new building.
2. Annex Entry Door Modifications - Mike Miller provided an update on the project.
3. Purdy Building Entry Door ADA Compliance Upgrade - Mike Miller provided an overview of the request.

On-Going and Other Building and Grounds

1. State Police Building - Water and Annexation - Matter discussed.
2. County Jail Construction - Amortization for Cost/Potential Citizens at Large Group - Matter Discussed.
3. Space Needs for Courthouse
4. Legislative Representation RFP Review – Board tabled until meetings are in person.
5. County Physical and Electronic Record Storage Needs – Potential Use of Recycling Pole Building

Finance/Technology
Committee Leaders-Commissioners Young and Jensen

Primary Finance/Technology

1. GIS Updates/Reports - Cody Horton provided an update. Matter discussed.
2. Tax Foreclosure Fund Update - Treasurer Donovan-Gray provided an update regarding some pending changes that may be implemented in how she can administer the program. Matter discussed.
3. SCMCCI Census Report - Clayette Zechmeister provided a report that Chris Hamilton submitted as requested.
4. State Revenue Sharing - Clayette Zechmeister provided an update and also reported on CARES Act Funds.
5. 2020 Review All Funds - Clayette Zechmeister provided an update.

**On-Going and Other Finance
Finance**

1. State Revenue Sharing Distributions
2. Preparation of Multi-Year Financial Planning
3. 2021 Budget Preparation - Board discussed matter at length.
Commissioners would like to have prepared by November 13, 2020 with updates provided in between.

Primary Other Business as Necessary - Matter moved up in the agenda

1. MIFSM Fees Update - Commissioner Bardwell would like to have the 2010 motion reaffirmed regarding the cremation fee. Clayette has received communication from Braun Kendrick which she will provide to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Vaughan excused at 10:51 a.m.

Technology

1. GIS Update - No update.
2. Increasing On-Line Services/Updating Web Page

Personnel

Committee Leader-Commissioner Vaughan and Bardwell

Primary Personnel

1. Replacing the MIDC Managed Assigned Counsel Administrator - Clayette Zechmeister provided an update regarding the interview process that has taken place. Commissioner Bardwell explained that there has been discussion of considering the position to be a part-time position versus a full-time position. Resumes from the applicants are to be presented to the Commissioners.

On-Going and Other Personnel

1. Strengthen and Streamline Year-End Open Enrollment
2. MAC 7th Meeting Updates
3. MAC Annual Conference - Commissioner Bardwell will be attending virtually.

Primary Other Business as Necessary

2. MIFSM Fees Update - Matter handled earlier in the meeting.

On-Going Other Business as Necessary

1. Animal Control Ordinance
2. Board Rules of Order – Possible Revisions Within Six Months (1-13-20)
3. Policy Updates
4. Senate Bill 46 (MREC)

Public Comment Period -

- Clayette Zechmeister shared a letter received by Dave Kolacz in appreciation of being able to use the courthouse lawn.
- Commissioner Bardwell congratulated Doug DuRussel on his primary win for District 4 Commissioner.

Motion by Young, seconded by Grimshaw to adjourn the meeting at 11:18 a.m.
Roll Call Vote - Young - yes; Vaughan - absent; Jensen - yes; Grimshaw - yes;
Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk



Tuscola County

Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

[EXTERNAL] request to use Court House lawn

Susan Rickwalt-Holder <srrickwalt@tbhs.net>

Tue, Aug 4, 2020 at 10:04 AM

To: "Clayette Zechmeister (zclay@tuscolacounty.org)" <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

Good morning, the Tuscola County Suicide Prevention Coalition would like permission to place signs/banners on the Court House lawn during the month of September for suicide prevention month.

Nearly 45,000 lives are lost in the United States due to suicide in 2016 which is the 10th-leading cause of death across all ages and genders combined (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Vital Signs 2018). Of particular concern, suicide in the US was the second-leading cause of death among younger persons, 14 to 24 years old (4,878) and 25 to 38 years old (6,348). It was the third leading cause of death among youths ages 10–14 (386). The State of Michigan is ranked 34 out of 50 in the states with high percentages of suicide and similarly, suicide is the second leading cause of death for ages 15-34 and third leading cause of death for ages 10-14 in Michigan. In 2017, 1,410 persons died in Michigan by suicide. Prevalence of Suicide Across the Lifespan National Data (Centers for Disease Control 2013)

- 1 suicide attempt occurs every 38 seconds*
- 25 suicide attempts occur for every death by suicide*
- 3 female attempts occur for every male attempt*

If you have questions you may call me at 989.670.3725 or 989.670.1055.

Kind Regards,

Susan R. Holder, Director

Marketing and Training

Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems



Tuscola County

Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Request for TBHS Board Appointment Letter

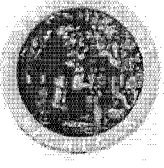
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Jodi Fetting <jfetting@tuscolacounty.org>
To: Clayette <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

Sat, Aug 1, 2020 at 1:39 PM


Clayette,
Can this appointment request please be placed on the BOC agenda for Thursday, August 13th? Paula's term actually expired in March 2020 so Karen will pick-up the remaining of what would have been the new term. The effective start date will be August 13, 2020 to expire on March 31, 2023.

Thanks!



**TUSCOLA
COUNTY
CLERK**

Jodi Fetting
440 N. State Street - Caro, MI - 48723
(989) 672-3730



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----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Cindy L Mitchell** <CLMitchell@tbhs.net>
Date: Thu, Jul 30, 2020 at 4:30 PM
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Request for TBHS Board Appointment Letter
To: Jodi Fetting (jfetting@tuscolacounty.org) <jfetting@tuscolacounty.org>


Hi Jodi,

I have attached the letter so that you are aware of the letter that was sent out today to the Board of Commissioners asking for the reappointment of a former TBHS Board member, Karen Snider. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks Jodi!

Cindy

989.672.3004

 **Request B of C Appointment - Snider.pdf**
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Behavioral Health Systems

July 30, 2020

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
125 West Lincoln, Suite 500
Caro, MI 48723

Dear Commissioners,

As you are aware, the Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems Board of Directors has had a vacancy due to the resignation of Paula Cavanaugh, term expiration of 3/31/2020. In an effort to assure that the membership of our Board is representative of Tuscola County and best fulfills the diverse skills and experience needs of our organization, we have analyzed our membership as to age, gender, geographic location, skills and experience, organizational experience and legal mandates.

You currently have before you an application from Karen Snider for appointment to our Board.

At its regularly scheduled Board Meeting of June 25, 2020 the Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems Board of Directors resolved to recommend to the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners, the appointment of Karen Snider to our Board of Directors to a 3-year term, which will expire on March 31, 2023.

As always, we appreciate your strong support of our efforts and thank you in advance for your consideration of these recommendations.

Sincerely,

Susan McNett
Board Chairperson

Sharon Beals
Chief Executive Officer

SB/SM/clm

Enclosure

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ROBERT J. MANTEY
Drain Commissioner
Cell Phone (989) 553-3824

August 7, 2020

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

RE: Approval for applicant for the Account Clerk III position

Dear Honorable Commissioners,

The Account Clerk III position, in the Drain Office, was vacated in June and we have posted, interviewed and selected a candidate to fill this position.

The person we have selected is Alecia Little and she has accepted.

I am requesting approval to fill the position of Account Clerk III, with Alecia Little, pending all approved pre-employment requirements as designated by the HR Department.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Mantey
Tuscola County Drain Commissioner



MIFSM

MICHIGAN INSTITUTE OF
FORENSIC SCIENCE & MEDICINE

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Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
125 W. Lincoln Street
Suite 500
Caro, MI 48723

2 August 2020

Dear Tuscola County Commissioners,

We thank you for the opportunity to address the Tuscola County Cremation Permit Fee schedule in this letter. We apologize for the manner in which recent change in the amount of the Cremation Permit Fee occurred, and now recognize that revising the amount of this fee is properly the role of the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners.

We are sympathetic to the concerns of the commissioners and the two Tuscola county funeral homes regarding the increase in costs of cremation permits, originally set at \$10 in 1989, to a price of \$63. We believe the price of \$63 is reasonable given our costs (see attached) associated with processing the permit itself, and respectfully request that the commissioners establish the amount of cremation permit fees at \$63. We are more than happy to discuss this matter further if requested.

Since the Tuscola County Medical Examiner Office became contracted last year with MIFSM, to augment the quality of our expertise and service, we have hired 23 FTE (4 FTE from Tuscola County Residents), two extremely experienced young forensic pathologists dedicated to working in central Michigan, and brought on another 7 county medical examiner offices. Additionally, we now have three on-site body transportation vehicles and are weeks from opening our forensic toxicology laboratory.

We believe Tuscola County has already realized a tremendous financial savings from contracting with MIFSM with an undoubtedly increase in quality.

We humbly ask for your support and approval of our request for an increased price from a fee set 31 years ago.

Sincerely,

David Stockman, MD
Chief Executive Officer

Explanation of \$63.00 Cost Associated with each Cremation Permit Request	Primary costs	MIFSM Costs	Time (min)	Notes
Maintenance cost of MIFSM website where cremation requests are generated.	\$3	\$3		
Technical assistance provided by administrative staff to entities submitting a cremation request.	\$7	\$3	15 min	This step is not always needed, but is provided when needed and can take 15 minutes per call.
Researching information that is not entered correctly on a request. (Name, Date of Birth County where Death Occurred, and Date of Death, because including this information is option on the website.) If the phone number and name of person who submitted the request is not included on the request this involves more Admin time to complete request.	\$10	\$6	15 min	The cost applied to this is higher because MIFSM staff has to spend extra time doing what should be filled out by the by the requesting agency.
Admin time for researching death Certs on EDRS.	\$7	\$5	5-10 min	
Admin time for requesting medical records from Hospitals and doing any follow up that is involved with obtain medical records	\$7	\$5	5-15 min	This can include additional time depending on any barriers involved with obtaining medical records.
Admin time for reviewing medical records for each request.	\$10	\$7	15-30 min	
Medical Doctor time for reviewing medical records for individuals with questionable deaths.	\$42	\$10	15-30 min	\$170 per hour
Admin time to research in MDILog to see if an autopsy has been done.	\$7	\$5	5 -15 min	Additional research may be needed if information is not entered correctly in MDILOG.
Admin time to certify cremation permit	\$5	\$5	5 min	
Admin time entering information into required "logs" (e.g. Hospital death log, Hospice Log for expected deaths, Regular Death Logs, Covid Log, Drug and Alcohol log).	\$7	\$5	5-10 min	
Admin time to upload the death certificate and cremation certificate to the MDILog if person is in MDILOG	\$7	\$5	5-10 min	Same names are not in MDILOG if they are not a MIFSM case.
Admin time to generate monthly reports.	\$7	\$4	8 min	
Total Cost	\$119	\$63		

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July 9, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board was held via Electronic Remote Access through Google Meet on Thursday, July 9, 2020 at 8:00 A.M.; all in accordance with the Michigan Governor's Executive Orders 2020-110 and 2020-129 due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Present for the Electronic Meeting: Road Commissioners John Laurie, Gary Parsell, 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.

At 8:05 A.M., there were a total of Nineteen (19) participants attending the Electronic Meeting.

Roll Call of the Board was conducted.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the minutes of the June 25, 2020 regular meeting of the Board be approved. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Weber seconded by Matuszak that the minutes of the June 25, 2020 closed session of the Board be approved. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Payroll in the amount of \$110,515.74 and bills in the amount of \$1,884,283.71 covered by vouchers #2020-32 and #2020-33 were presented and audited.

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Kennard that the payroll and bills be approved. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Segment:

(1) Becky Bushong appeared before the Board regarding trees obstructing the clear vision at the intersection of Riley Road and Froede Road. Superintendent/Manager Jay Tuckey will review the location.

Management and the Board further discussed the roads in Oakhurst Park. Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert presented to the Board a legal opinion from the Road Commission's attorney regarding the roads. It was determined that three (3) roads in Oakhurst Park are dedicated to public use, and are under the jurisdiction of the Tuscola County Road Commission.

Management and the Board further discussed the current status of opening Boy Scout Road. Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert presented to the Board a legal opinion from the Road Commission's attorney regarding the right-of-way on Boy Scout Road. It was determined that the Road Commission has 66 feet of right-of-way on Boy Scout Road. Given the legal opinion, Dankert further recommends proceeding with the project of opening Boy Scout Road to one-lane of traffic. All members of the public were given the opportunity to discuss the topic, of which Mr. David Hiser and Mr. Jeff Mackenzie spoke with Management and the Board. After discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that given the legal opinion from its attorney, approves to proceed with the project of opening Boy Scout Road to one-lane of traffic. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Kennard seconded by Weber to approve Tim Hutchinson be promoted to the Sign Mechanic classification effective July 20, 2020, as recommended by the Superintendent/Manager. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak to approve Cody Ross be promoted to the Heavy Equipment Operator classification at the Caro Division effective July 20, 2020, as recommended by the Superintendent/Manager. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Kennard seconded by Weber granting Robert Walters a Medical Leave of Absence through September 24, 2020, all in accordance with the Union Agreement. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Management and the Board further discussed the Covid-19 Pandemic. Director of Finance Michael Tuckey discussed with the Board the plans for opening back to the public, and the status of future board meetings. Tuckey also presented to the Board the year to date Michigan Transportation Funds, which indicates a significant decrease due to the Stay-At-Home Orders. Management will continue to monitor the issues, and further discuss at the next regular meeting of the Board.

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert provided a construction project update to the Board.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the meeting be adjourned at 9:00 A.M. Roll Call Vote: Weber – Yes, Kennard – Yes, Matuszak – Yes, Parsell – Yes, Laurie – Yes --- Motion Carried.

Chairman

Secretary-Clerk of the Board



Tuscola County

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[EXTERNAL] Sheriff's Dept. Facilities

1 message

Gary Rolka <gfre83@gmail.com>

Mon, Aug 3, 2020 at 9:10 PM

To: Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

Sheriff's Dept. Facilities

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Assuming the report(s) on our Sheriff's DF will likely have some **COSTLY** repairs, then the question remains---will our taxpayers foot 100% of the bill OR are we going for a "Special Emergency Police Grant" as more Police & Sheriff's Dept. are doing?

I do NOT necessarily expect our county to favor a \$411,000 Grant---like the City of Flint Police Dept. received from the US Dept. of Justice for stamping out Covid-19(as TV12 reported on 7-17-2020).

A few years ago, the Saginaw Co. Sheriff Dept. expanded their facilities. Do you really believe their taxpayers foot 100% of their bill?....

...& so on.....Further examples are ENDLESS.

Even if we receive the **RIGHT** Grant to address our **SHORT TERM** needs(in which we should want), then what about for the **LONG TERM**?

Many years ago, the Lapeer Co. Sheriff Dept. was moved to a 5-acre site on Old M-21 on the West side of Lapeer.....MAYBE we should seriously consider doing the same?

Our existing location is **CLEARLY OUTDATED**---especially since it is relatively **CLOSE** to residents, the **DOWNTOWN** school playground, public parking to the stores, etc.

Possible NEW Locations?

There must be a 5+ acre site of county- or state-owned land on(or close to) either M-24 or M-81.

At THIS TIME, I would **HIGHLY RECOMMEND** that starting in 2021, the cmsr's appoint a "Blue Ribbon Committee" consisting of former cmsr's, sheriff, treasurer, etc.....When they reach a consensus & are ready to make a presentation, then the Controller can schedule it---PENDING the executive sessions &/or other **URGENT** business that the cmsr's may have.

If you are asking **HOW** are we going to pay for this(or NOT)? Then PLEASE turn to my GRANT page.

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[EXTERNAL] Grants, Grants, Grants....

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Mon, Aug 3, 2020 at 9:18 PM

To: Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

Grants

Back in 1985 when Mike Hoagland was FORMALLY introduced as TC's Admin/Cont., then Cmsr. Royce Russell stated, "We now have a Controller. I do NOT have the time to follow through on everything the committee assigns to me. We now have Mike who is ready to work FULL-TIME & above all else, ready to GET THOSE GRANTS---which is why we are paying him in the FIRST Place".

On behalf of our county, Mike has gotten MORE than his share of GRANTS in.

In addition to other Caro-area matters:

- a)the Regionally Caro-based Human Development Cmsn. relies HEAVILY on receiving GRANTS(or donations)from businesses, townships, villages/cities, counties/state & federal gov'ts, etc.
- b)Caro Comm. Schools recently obtained a 'Special Emergency GRANT' for more computers.
- c)the list for GRANT receivers are ENDLESS.

Getting back to county gov'ts---UNLESS our cmsr's already hired a firm who SPECIALIZES in getting multi-GRANTS to construct large(or medium)sized buildings, then:

- a)Maybe there is a news source(s) for County Admin/Exec/Controllers to put their "prized" highlights in & maybe they even receive some GRANTS for larger buildings.
- b)If there is ONE person who really has 'an incredible wealth of info.', then that may well be Bay Co. Exec. James Barcia. At 68, he has been involved in Govt for almost 50 years. If he is NOT 'the Godfather' in receiving GRANTS, then who is? PLUS he is NOT a straight 'Liberal' Democrat compared to others.

So in CLOSING, the Tuscola Co. Gov't has basically been quiet NATIONALLY. Whenever they refurnished the CourtHouse, the Annex, the Purdy Bldg., the Road Cmsn., the Health Bldg. Complex, the specialized County Schools, they did it LARGELY without the help from the Federal Gov't.

The BIGGEST County Bldg. remaining that needs some MAJOR help is the Sheriff's Dept. Facilities which CLEARLY are OUTDATED & there are 5+acre spots Reasonably AVAILABLE for a NEW one.

In addition, our county seat(Caro) also has the DISTINCTION of having the State-run Caro Center, the Regional HQ's of the HDC, the County Airport, the medical Rehabilitation Centers, etc.

So memory of Royce Russell, then maybe it is TIME to start "Getting those GRANTS" for our Sheriff's Dept. Facilities.

Sincerely,

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[EXTERNAL] Sheriff/SFM ??

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Fri, Aug 7, 2020 at 10:13 AM

To: Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

My apologies.....Some ADDED additions.

1--I truly believe that there are MANY GRANT Givers out there... & NOT just Sheriff- NOR Agri(USDA)-related.
If necessary, we MUST leave NO stone UNTURNED.....If anything, then maybe Chr. Bardwell should ask the FOLLOWING follow-up question to Mr. Mrak,
"Would you happen to know of anyone who specializes in receiving MULTI-GRANTS---as OUTSTANDING as you are in your business"?

2--It is WONDERFUL that the CURRENT Undersheriff knows his dept.-related GRANTS.
Too bad that Tom Kern's Undersheriff could NOT stop him from going 0-for-5 in added Millage campaigns for Road Patrol & thus "burned out" the public--
--especially when they have RISING school millages in each of their respective districts.

3--I believe in the last 15 years, the Sheriff Depts in Genesee, Saginaw, Midland, etc. has had to make SIMILAR changes/additions.

4--I believe in the NEXT few months, the cmsr's will hear TESTIMONY from MANY people who favor moving Sheriff's Dept. towards the CENTER of the Court St. block.

Have an OUTSTANDING weekend.

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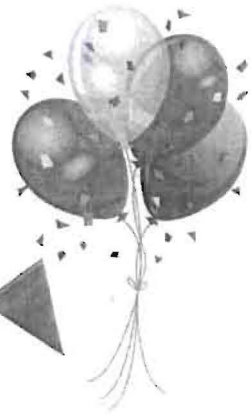
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Hills & Dales
General Hospital

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60th Anniversary

“Roll or Stroll” Celebration

Friday, August 14, 2020

Around the blocks of
Hills & Dales General Hospital

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



Please join us for a modified 60th Anniversary Celebration!

- We will have stations set up around the blocks of the hospital. You can drive or walk by to greet Hills & Dales staff members and grab some goodies.
To keep a good flow of traffic, please start in front of the hospital & go down Hill St. first.
- We ask if you are walking that you maintain social distancing. If you are driving, we are happy to hand you items through your car window!
 - We will be handing out prepackaged snacks, giveaways & more!
 - We will be following all safety guidelines to keep this event safe & fun!