

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2021 – 08:00 A.M.

125 W. Lincoln Street
Caro, MI 48723

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

Public may participate in the meeting electronically:

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Join by Hangouts Meet: meet.google.com/mih-jntr-jya

- 8:00 A.M. Call to Order – Chairperson Bardwell
Prayer – Commissioner Vaughan
Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner DuRussel
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 (**See Correspondence #3**)

New Business

- Closed Session 9:00 a.m. To Discuss the Contents of a Written Legal Memorandum
- Closed Session 9:30 a.m. To Discuss the Contents of a Written Legal Memorandum
- Closed Session 10:30 a.m. To Consider Material Exempt from Discussion or Disclosure Regarding Security Measures in the County
- Request for Additional Building Space (**See Correspondence #4**)

Old Business

- Multiple Court Administrative Orders for Tuscola County Courthouse and Face Mask Policy and 9-21-21 Court Memo (**See Correspondence #5**)
- Resolution 2021-15 Approving the 2021 Apportionment Report (**See Correspondence #6**)

10:00 a.m. Break

Correspondence/Resolutions

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

YOUNG

Board of Public Works
County Road Commission Liaison
Dispatch Authority Board
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
Great Start Collaborative
Human Services Collaborative Council (HSCC)
Jail Planning Committee
MAC Agricultural/Tourism Committee
Region VI Economic Development Planning
Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative
Senior Services Advisory Council
Tuscola 2020
Local Units of Government Activity Report

VAUGHAN

Board of Health
County Planning Commission
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
MAC Environmental Regulatory
Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee
NACO-Energy, Environment & Land Use
Parks and Recreation Commission
Tuscola County Fair Board Liaison
Local Units of Government Activity Report

GRIMSHAW

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

DuRUSSEL

Board of Health
Community Corrections Advisory Board
Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
MAC Judiciary Committee

MEMS All Hazard
Local Units of Government Activity Report

BARDWELL

Behavioral Health Systems Board
Caro DDA/TIFA
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
MAC 7th District
MAC Workers Comp Board
MAC Finance Committee
TRIAD
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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. October 14, 2021 Full Board and Statutory Finance Minutes
2. October 25, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
3. Consent Agenda Resolution
4. Request for Additional Building Space Letter from Amanda Ertman, Health Officer
5. Multiple Court Administrative Orders for Tuscola County Courthouse and Face Mask Policy & 9/21/21 Court Memo
6. Resolution 2021-15 Approving the 2021 Apportionment Report
7. Michigan Municipal Risk Management Letter of Appointment for Eean Lee, CIO to the Technology & Cyber Security Risk Control Advisory Committee
8. Tuscola County Road Commission Minutes from September 30, 2021
9. Alger County Resolution #2021-18 to Support Amendments to the Open Meetings Act
10. Ogemaw County Resolution #21-129 to Support Amendments to the Open Meetings Act
11. Menominee County Resolution #2021-23 to Exempt Counties with a Population of 75,000 or Less from Certain Provisions of the Open meetings
12. Sanilac County Resolution Supporting American Rescue Plan State Match Programs
13. Alger County Resolution #2021-19 Opposing Senator Shirkey's Gearing Toward Integration Proposal and Supporting Pathways Community Mental Health Services Program

14. Muskegon County Resolution 2021-411 Supporting West Michigan Agriculture Technologies and Regional Food Systems Initiative
15. Missaukee County Resolution #2021-11 in Support of Vaccine Awareness and Medical Autonomy

Draft
TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
October 14, 2021

Commissioner Bardwell called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the H.H. Purdy Building, 125 W Lincoln Street in the City of Caro, Michigan, on the 14th day of October 2021, to order at 8:00 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Commissioner Bardwell

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Young

Roll Call – Clerk Fetting

Commissioners Present In-Person:
District 1 – Thomas Young
District 2 – Thomas Bardwell
District 4 – Douglas DuRussel
District 5 – Daniel Grimshaw (arrived at 8:13 a.m.)

Commissioner Absent:
District 3 – Kim Vaughan

Others Present In-Person:
Clerk Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Eean Lee, Mike Miller, Mark Ransford, Joe Greene, Sandy Nielsen, Billy Putman, Eric Morris, Kevin Bushroe

Also Present Virtual:
Tracy Violet, Alex Petrik, Mary Drier, Heidi Chicilli, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Debbie Babich, Mark Haney, Steve Root, Sheriff Glen Skrent, Cindy McKinney-Volz, Crystal Knoblock, Matt Brown, Bob Baxter, Barry Lapp, Shannon Beach

At 8:09 a.m., there were a total of 17 participants attending the meeting virtually.

Adoption of Agenda -
2021-M-225
Motion by Young, seconded by DuRussel to adopt the agenda as amended.
Motion Carried.

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -
2021-M-226
Motion by DuRussel, seconded by Young to adopt the meeting minutes from the September 30, 2021 Regular meeting. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only – None

*Consent Agenda Resolution –
2021-M-227*

Motion by Young, seconded by DuRussel that the Consent Agenda Resolution and Minutes from the October 11, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Reference: A

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/11/21

Description of Matter: Move that the 2020 Tuscola County Central Dispatch Annual Report be received and placed on file.

Agenda Reference: B

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/11/21

Description of Matter: Move that per the request from the Chief Judge, the Contract for Representation for Alleged Developmentally Disabled Individuals in the Tuscola County Probate Court for January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 in the amount of \$6,000.00 be approved. Also, all authorized signatures be authorized.

Agenda Reference: C

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/11/21

Description of Matter: Move that per the recommendation from Undersheriff Robert Baxter to hire Marcus Armstrong with a conditional job for the road patrol pending a physical, psychological & drug test. Marcus has completed an internship with the Tuscola County Sheriff's Office and has completed numerous ride-a-longs. He will be considered part-time (\$18.00 per hour) while attending the police academy in January 2022. Upon successful completion (on or about May 6, 2022), he will begin at full-time status.

Agenda Reference: D

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/11/21

Description of Matter: Move that per the recommendation from Undersheriff Robert Baxter to hire Jonathon Perry with a conditional job for the road patrol pending a physical, psychological & drug test. Jonathon has completed numerous ride-a-longs. He will be considered part-time (\$18.00 per hour) while attending the police academy in January 2022. Upon successful completion (on or about May 6, 2022), he will begin at full-time status.

Agenda Reference: E

Entity Proposing: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 10/11/21

Description of Matter: Move that the 2020 County Audit as presented by Joe Verlin with Gabridge & Company be received and placed on file.

New Business - None

Old Business -

-Legislative Update of House Bill 5026 – Sandy Nielsen updated the Board that the House Bill has been introduced at Committee.

Commissioner Grimshaw arrived at 8:13 a.m.

-Proposed Resolution 2021-14 in Support of House Bill 5026 to Ensure Continued Operation and Funding of 9-1-1 Service –
2021-M-228

Motion by DuRussel, seconded by Young to approve Resolution #2021-14 in Support of House Bill 5026 to ensure continued operation and funding of 9-1-1 services. Also, authorize the Chairperson to sign all appropriate documents. Roll Call Vote: Grimshaw – yes; Young – yes; Vaughan – absent; DuRussel – yes; Bardwell – yes. Motion Carried.

-Ambulance Calls/Coverage in Tuscola County – Sandy Nielsen provided reports to the Board regarding Ambulance Services within Tuscola County. The report included statistics of the number of times logged out of service, the number of hours out of service and dispatch medical calls by department. Board discussed the concern of the wait time that residents could experience due to the lack of coverage. Clayette will distribute the reports provided by Sandy to the Cities, Townships and Villages within Tuscola County. Matter to be added to the October 25, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting.

-Request for Proposals (RFP) for Medical Plans Results – Dan Skiver presented the results of the RFP at the Committee of the Whole meeting on October 11, 2021.

2021-M-229

Motion by Young, seconded by Grimshaw that after reviewing the Request for Proposals (RFP's) for medical insurance provided by Daniel Skiver of Brown and Brown at the Committee of the Whole on Monday, October 11, 2021 that the County remain in their current BCBS Plan for plan year 2022. Also, authorize the Chairperson to sign all appropriate documents. Roll Call Vote: Young – yes; Vaughan – absent; DuRussel – yes; Grimshaw – yes. Bardwell – yes. Motion Carried.

-County Space Needs – 2nd Draft Request for Proposals (RFP) – Clayette Zechmeister reviewed the RFP and changes discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting.

2021-M-230

Motion by DuRussel, seconded by Young to approve the 2nd Draft request for proposals for county space needs as presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting on Monday, October 11, 2021. Bids to be received no later than November 18, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. and proposals will be opened at the Board of Commissioners' Committee of the Whole on November 22, 2021.

2021-M-231

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by DuRussel to amend motion 2021-M-230 to remove the word "presented" and add the word "finalized". Motion Carried.

2021-M-230 as amended

Motion by DuRussel, seconded by Young to approve the 2nd Draft request for proposals for county space needs as finalized at the Committee of the Whole meeting on Monday, October 11, 2021. Bids to be received no later than November 18, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. and proposals will be opened at the Board of Commissioners' Committee of the Whole on November 22, 2021. Motion Carried.

-Multiple Court Administrative Orders for Tuscola County Courthouse, Face Mask Policy and September 21, 2021 Court Memo – Eric Morris handed out a written legal opinion to the Commissioners regarding the matters. The contents of the opinion were not discussed. Commissioner Bardwell asked if the Court as a sole-employer can take the Human Resources function for court employees, questioned the funding amount provided to the court budget, the security officers for the courthouse being taken from the road patrol, if the road patrol millage could fund the road patrol officers used for courthouse security and the face mask requirement in the courthouse. Closed Session to be scheduled for the October 28, 2021 Board of Commissioners meeting.

-South Central Michigan Construction Code Inspections (SCMCCI) Concerns, Greenspaces, LLC (matter added) – Kevin Bushroe explained to the Board his attempts at gaining compliance with the Michigan Energy Code for his business's greenhouse. Kevin also explained the issues that he has experienced with SCMCCI in getting inspections completed. Kevin would like to pull his permit with SCMCCI and reapply with SAFEbuilt. Commissioner Grimshaw stated the developers of the former Grady Foundry property experienced similar issues with SCMCCI and have reapplied to SAFEbuilt.

2021-M-232

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by DuRussel that anyone who has an open building permit under South Central Michigan Construction Code Inspections (SCMCCI) has authority to pull the permit from SCMCCI and reapply to SAFEbuilt. Roll Call Vote: Grimshaw – yes; Young – yes; Vaughan – absent; DuRussel – yes; Bardwell – no. Motion Carried.

Recessed at 10:07 a.m.

Reconvened at 10:17 a.m.

At 10:17 a.m., there were a total of 20 participants attending the meeting virtually.

-Caro City Water access to Caro Center and Putman Medical Center Project (matter added) – Caro City Mayor Joe Greene provided an update to the water service to the Caro Center and the Putman Medical Center Project. Commissioner Bardwell reviewed the past discussions of providing water to the Caro Center. Mayor Greene stated that once a written request is received from the Putman Project for water then Caro City can proceed forward. Commissioner Grimshaw asked if annexation was the only option to work through this as Vassar City has entered in Cooperative Agreement to not annex property to provide water to various projects. Mayor Greene stated that the sewer is different than the water as it is owned by Almer Township, Indianfields Township and Caro City. Clayette Zechmeister asked if the Tuscola Intermediate School District annexation has been approved yet and Mayor Greene did not have that answer. Commissioner DuRussel asked Mayor Greene regarding the concerns of ambulance service within Caro City. He was unaware of the issues raised at the meeting today and will do research on that.

Correspondence/Resolutions –

-Tuscola County Reapportionment Plan 2021 – Clerk Jodi Fetting explained the apportionment process and how the Committee reached the decision of the number of districts and the district layout. There were changes made in District 2 and District 3. Republican Chairman Billy Putman addressed the Board and agreed with Clerk Fetting on how well the process went. It was discussed how the Committee took the residents of Tuscola County into consideration when adopting the plans.

-Newsweek Article on Best Nursing Homes 2022 – Tuscola County Medical Care Facility #1

-Press Release SAFEbuilt

-Press Release Michigan Renewable Energy Collaborative (MREC)

- State Survey & Remonumentation Program 15th Biennial Report to the Legislature – Clayette Zechmeister provided an update on the project. Michael Yates is the Chairman of the County Remonumentation Committee.
- City of Caro Public Hearing Notice on Sidewalks Special Assessment Roll
- Tuscola County Road Commission Minutes from September 16, 2021
- Huron County Resolution 21-132 Regarding Vaccines and Facemask
- Sanilac County Resolution in Support of Medical Autonomy
- Ingham County Resolution #21-479 Supporting Current Emergency Orders as Determined by Ingham County Health Officer Pursuant to State of Michigan Public Health Code, Public Act 368 of 1978, Section 2453
- Gratiot County Resolution 21-275 Supporting Enactment of HB 5026

-Senator Daley will be attending the meeting October 25, 2021. Board would like feedback on Resolution 2021-13. Board would like input on the State Budget and the restriction that may be included regarding funding to entities that have a mask mandate.

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

BARDWELL

Behavioral Health Systems Board – Meets next week

Caro DDA/TIFA – Met yesterday, the budget and financial review were discussed. Hometown Heroes has requested a grant from the Janks Foundation for banners to be placed on the light poles downtown recognizing service men and women. Master Plan update also was presented.

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment

MAC 7th District – Commissioner Bardwell is going to try to schedule a virtual meeting on November 9, 2021.

MAC Workers Comp Board – Meets next week.

MAC Finance Committee – Met on Friday with many topics discussed.

TRIAD – Met yesterday but was unable to attend as was the same time as the DDA meeting.

Local Units of Government Activity Report

YOUNG – No Report

Board of Public Works

County Road Commission Liaison

Dispatch Authority Board

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works

Great Start Collaborative

Human Services Collaborative Council (HSCC)

Jail Planning Committee

MAC Agricultural/Tourism Committee

Region VI Economic Development Planning
Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative
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VAUGHAN - absent

Board of Health
County Planning Commission
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
MAC Environmental Regulatory
Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee
NACO-Energy, Environment & Land Use
Parks and Recreation Commission
Tuscola County Fair Board Liaison
Local Units of Government Activity Report

GRIMSHAW

Behavioral Health Systems Board
Recycling Advisory
Local Units of Government – Update provided from Village of Reese meeting that they are considering dissolving the Village Chamber of Commerce, work to be completed on M-81 which the Village is considering a water project in conjunction with that. Also, from the Juniata Township meeting, it was discussed that Thumb Electric Cooperative is going to be providing broadband. Eean Lee will have the President of Air Advantage attend an upcoming meeting to have a discussion regarding broadband.
Jail Planning Committee
MI Renewable Energy Coalition (MREC)

DURUSSEL

Board of Health – Meeting upcoming with the new Health Officer.
Community Corrections Advisory Board – Discussed when and where the meetings are held.
Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
MAC Judiciary Committee
MEMS All Hazard
Local Units of Government Activity Report

Other Business as Necessary – None

At 11:16 a.m., there were a total of 19 participants attending the meeting virtually.

Extended Public Comment –

-Mark Ransford spoke about the downtown area of Caro City and the buildings that are located in that area. He addressed how the downtown area looks different that it did 30 years ago and how the outlook of today can adapt. The Caro downtown area is vital to Tuscola County.

-Billy Putman spoke in reference to the success he witnessed in Caseville for local businesses and how they promote family fun in a 4-month period. He would like to see Caro grow in the area of family fun festivals to bring people to the area. He also expressed his appreciation of SAFEbuilt and how he has enjoyed working with them so far.

2021-M-213

Motion by Young, seconded by Grimshaw to adjourn the meeting at 11:39 a.m.
Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Statutory Finance Committee Minutes
October 14, 2021

Commissioner Bardwell called the Statutory Finance meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the H.H. Purdy Building, 125 W. Lincoln Street in the City of Caro, Michigan, on the 14th day of October, to order at 11:39 o'clock a.m. local time.

Roll Call – Clerk Jodi Fetting

Commissioner Present In-Person:

- District 1 - Thomas Young
- District 2 - Thomas Bardwell
- District 4 - Douglas DuRussel
- District 5 - Daniel Grimshaw

Commissioner Absent:

- District 3 - Kim Vaughan

Others Present In-Person:

- Clerk Jodi Fetting, Eean Lee

Also Present Virtual:

- Debbie Babich, Heidi Chicilli, Mark Haney, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Crystal Knoblock, Shannon Beach

At 11:39 a.m., there were a total of 7 participants attending the meeting virtually.

-Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes

2021-SF-M-081

Motion by DuRussel, seconded by Grimshaw to adopt the meeting minutes from the September 30, 2021 Statutory Finance. Motion Carried.

New Business:

-Review and Adoption of Finance Report and Checks –

2021-SF-M-082

Motion by DuRussel, seconded by Grimshaw to approve the finance checks as submitted on the October 12, 2021 report. Motion Carried.

-Review and Adoption of Daily Report and Checks –

2021-SF-M-083

Motion by Grimshaw, seconded by DuRussel to approve the daily checks as submitted on the October 12, 2021 report. Motion Carried.

-Review and Adoption of Per Diems Report and Checks – None

Old Business – None

Public Comment – None

2021-SF-M-084

Motion by Young, seconded by Grimshaw to adjourn the meeting at 11:42 a.m.
Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

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**Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Committee of the Whole
Monday, October 25, 2021 – 8:00 A.M.**

Commissioner Bardwell called the meeting of the Committee of the Whole 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 25th day of October, 2021, to order at 8:00 o'clock a.m. local time.

Roll Call – Clerk Jodi Fetting

Commissioners Present In-Person:

District 1 - Thomas Young
District 2 - Thomas Bardwell
District 3 - Kim Vaughan

Commissioner Absent:

District 4 - Douglas DuRussel
District 5 - Daniel Grimshaw

Others Present in-Person:

Jodi Fetting, Clayette Zechmeister, Eean Lee, Mike Miller, Steve Anderson, Sandy Nielsen, Angie Daniels, Alice Vermeersch, Pam Shook, Scott Zimmer, Brad Essenmacher, Suzy Rockwell, Phil Petzold, Senator Kevin Daley, Kevin Wilkinson, Jim Welke, Kellie Lindsey, Tim Gardner, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Debbie Babich, Joel Welke

Also Present Virtual:

Heidi Chicilli, Debbie Babich, Mary Drier, Terry Blackmer, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Mike Slade, Kim Brinkman, Dara Hood, Steve Root, Lisa Geiger, Matthew Bierlein, Sheriff Glen Skrent, Mark Haney, Maggie Root, Tracy Violet, Cindy McKinney-Volz, Bob Baxter, Steve Anderson, Barry Lapp, Cody Horton, Sandy Nielsen

At 8:04 a.m., there were 16 participants attending the meeting virtually.

County Updates

-Legislative Update – Senator Kevin Daley addressed the Board with updates on HB 5026, HB 242, Resolution 85 and education bills that are being discussed and worked on. The State Redistricting Committee is scheduled to meet only two more times to accept public input. Senator Daley encourages the public to offer comments. The proposed districts are significantly different than the current district layout. The State Budget does have some verbiage included that if an agency requires mandatory vaccines that their state funding could be impacted. Michigan Renewable Energy Commission (MREC) was discussed and the Senator does feel that this is close to being resolved. The water line to the Caro

Center has been completed and the project is moving along. The matter of the Board of Commissioners being able to participate in a Board meeting virtually for reasons other than sickness was discussed.

New Business

1. Air Advantage Agreement with Thumb Electric Cooperative – Scott Zimmer, President of Air Advantage and Brad Essenmacher of Thumb Electric addressed the Board regarding the business merger as Thumb Electric has purchased Air Advantage. Mr. Essenmacher said this opportunity was explored due to Thumb Electric's desire to serve their members and residents within Tuscola County. Thumb Electric has a 5-year build out plan to provide broadband. On the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) website, there is a map that will show if a person is in the RdoF build out area. Thumb Electric will be listed under NRTC Consortium. <https://www.fcc.gov/reports-research/maps/rdoF-phase-i-dec-2020/>
2. Ambulance Calls/Coverage in Tuscola County – Phil Petzold, Mobile Medical Response (MMR), updated the Board regarding a meeting that was held to discuss providing coverage in the evening hours in the Caro area that had a positive outcome. The MMR Administration has supported staffing a vehicle during the evening in the Caro area. The need for funding was discussed and a millage for the November 2022 election is being considered. Sandy Nielsen presented information regarding the number of ambulance calls dispatched out in the evening time frame in the Caro area.
3. SAFEbuilt Updates – Kellie Lindsey and Tim Gardner, SAFEbuilt, provided an update that their phones, website and permit applications are ready for use. An office staff member has been hired. Vassar City will remain with County Building Codes. As of today, the estimated number of permits processed is 100 permits. One of the hurdles SAFEbuilt is experiencing, is they do not know what permits are open with the former building codes company. They have a plan in place to have the customer complete an additional verification step but once that is received the permitting process is able to move forward.
4. Tuscola County Apportionment Report, Angie Daniels, Equalization Director, presented the Apportionment Report. Board discussed the taxable value rate, wind turbine tax tribunal and agriculture land purchases and value. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
5. Proposed Resolution Approving the 2020 Apportionment Report – Angie Daniels, Equalization Director, requested the Board adopt the proposed resolution. Matter to be placed on Thursday's agenda.
6. 2022 Clean Sweep Grant – Mike Miller, Building and Grounds/Recycling Director, presented the grant application request. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

Recessed at 10:28 a.m.

Reconvened at 10:39 a.m.

At 10:39 a.m., there were 20 participants attending the meeting virtually.

7. Parks & Recreation Commission – Robert McKay submitted a letter of support to include in the upcoming budget the removal of the abandoned pump house.
8. Cohl, Stoker & Toskey, P.C. Engagement Letter and Fee Arrangement – Clayette Zechmeister presented the proposed fee arrangement should the Board want to get a second opinion on various legal matters. No action at this time as closed session is pending for Thursday, October 28, 2021.
9. Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) American Rescue Plan (ARP) Professional Support Firms – Clayette Zechmeister has reached out to firms that are offering professional services on ways to spend the ARPA Funds. Clayette has a meeting scheduled with Guidehouse. Commissioner Bardwell updated the Board that Huron County has contracted with Guidehouse.

Old Business

-Putman Project Medical Center Water Project (matter added) – Commissioner Vaughan updated the Board regarding Caro City providing water to the Putman Project. Indianfields Township is willing to amend the 425 Agreement to include the Putman Project but Caro City is not willing to do that in the manner proposed. Board discussed the matter.

Finance/Technology
 Committee Leader Commissioner Young
 Commissioner DuRussel

Primary Finance/Technology

1. 2022 Budget Preparation Updates
 - Review First Draft Budget Narrative
 - General Fund Revenue and Expenditures Committee Review Budget
 - Special Revenue Funds Committee Review Budget
 - All Funds Revenue, Expenditures and Estimated Ending Fund Balances
 - Draft Equipment/Technology and Capital Fund Request

Debbie Babich and Clayette Zechmeister reviewed the Narrative, General Fund Revenue and Expenditures, Special Revenue Funds, All Funds Revenue, Expenditures and Estimated Balances and Equipment/Technology and Capital Fund Request that were included in the agenda packet. The budget is being prepared with 0% wage increase and then options of wage increases were presented in the amount of 1%, 2% and 3%. Board discussed with Treasurer Bennett the Sympro Investment Software and Board agreed to move forward with the project. The 2022 Proposed Budget will be presented to the Elected Officials and Department Heads for review before the next presentation to the Board of Commissioners. The tentative date for the Public Hearing is November 24, 2021. Undersheriff Robert Baxter addressed the Board on the Traffic Accident Prevention request.

**On Going and Other Finance and Technology
Finance**

1. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Ad-Hoc Committee – Board discussed earlier in the meeting regarding subcontracting with a firm to help navigate through the use of the funds.
2. Preparation of Multi-Year Financial Planning
3. Audit Contract for Upcoming Years
4. Cooperative Reimbursement Programs Summary from Prosecutor and Friend of the Court

Technology – Eean Lee updated the Board that the laptop deployment to all employees has been completed and he updated the Board on success of their implantation of the Security Project.

1. GIS Update
2. Increasing On-Line Services/Updating Web Page

Building and Grounds

Committee Leader Commissioner DuRussel
Commissioner Grimshaw

Primary Building and Grounds

1. Purdy Building Security Updates – Clayette Zechmeister stated a closed session will be scheduled to review.

On Going and Other Building and Grounds

1. State Police Water and Annexation
2. IT Department Space Needs
3. Adult Probation Fence

Personnel

Committee Leader Commissioner Grimshaw
Commissioner Vaughan

Primary Personnel

None

On-Going and Other Personnel

1. Workman's Compensation
2. Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) 7th District Meeting Updates - Commissioner Bardwell provided an update to the possibility of District meeting. Also, an update was provided on the MAC 7th District checking account.
3. Safety Committees – Watch for Grant Opportunities

Other Business as Necessary

None

On-Going Other Business as Necessary

1. Animal Control Ordinance – No update.

At 12:10 p.m., there were 18 participants attending the meeting virtually.

Public Comment Period –

Clerk Fetting updated the Board that she has earned her Certified County Officer award which takes 135 training hours to achieve.

Motion by Young, seconded by Vaughan to adjourn the meeting at 12:17 p.m. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 12:17 p.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County 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 City of Caro, Michigan, on the 28th day of October 2021, at 8:00 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 10/25/21

Description of Matter: Move to approve the Clean Sweep Program grant agreement with the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development in the amount of \$25,000.00. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.

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



TUSCOLA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Mustafa Mark Hamed, MD, MBA, MPH, Medical Director

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Amanda Ertman, BS, Health Officer

TO: Tuscola County Board of Commissioner
Clayette Zechmeister, County Administrator

FROM: Amanda Ertman, BS, Health Officer

DATE: October 21, 2021

RE: Requesting Additional Building Space

It was brought to my attention that the SCMCCI will no longer be occupying their space at 1309 Cleaver Rd. Suite A Caro, MI 48723 starting November 1, 2021. Therefore, the Tuscola County Health Department (TCHD) is very interested in this opportunity of leasing the addition 1,908 square feet for the following reasons:

- The addition space is already connected to TCHD building. This will allow easy access and navigation for clients and staff.
- The building is allocated three entry doors; therefore, the Environment Health, Veterans Affairs, and the Health Clinics would have their own assess which will decrease any confusion for our clients. This facility will also help to keep our clients in a more secure area for their proper appointments.
- Veterans Affairs is looking for room to grow. Their goals are to arrange a Virtual Health Room that will allow the veterans to seek medical attention without the long drive to the Veterans Affairs Hospital in Saginaw, Michigan.
- The TCHD is in desperate need of storage space. We currently have several staff members working out of storage closets or lab rooms. With extra offices this would allocate adequate space for them to have properly workstations while acquiring storage at the same time.

I look forward to having the Board input on this request.

Sincerely


Amanda Ertman

Mission

The Tuscola County Health Department actively strives to enhance our community's quality of life by disease prevention, health protection and healthy lifestyle promotion.

STATE OF MICHIGAN




54TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

(889) 672-3720

HON. AMY GRACE GIERHART
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

440 NORTH STATE STREET
CARO, MICHIGAN 48723

TO: Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Clayette Zechmeister, County Administrator

FROM: Hon. Amy Grace Gierhart, Chief Judge 

DATE: 09-21-2021

RE: 2022 Unified Court Budget

The following are additional budget requests for the Unified Court for 2022:

1. Add a full-time courthouse security officer with a salary of \$55,000 plus benefits. This position would be a court employee under the supervision of the Chief Judge. This employee would supervise and oversee all security matters in the Courthouse and would provide training and education to employees, as necessary in conjunction with the Tuscola County Sheriff Department.
2. Add three full time certified road patrol officers as court employees to provide security for each of the courtrooms, salaries and benefits to be commensurate with the existing pay for Sheriff Deputies.
3. Reinstate the full-time law clerk position at a salary of \$48,000 plus benefits.
4. Increase the Deputy Court Administrator's annual salary to \$78,000, as her duties will be substantially increased when the Court takes over all HR functions for the Court's employees on 01/01/22. It is the Court's intention to remove the HR functions related to all of the court employees from the County Administrator's office effective 01/01/22.
5. Any correspondence and/or communications regarding these requests and all other previous budgetary requests for 2022 should be addressed jointly to the Chief Judge, Honorable Amy Grace Gierhart and Mr. J. Bruce Kilmer, Regional State Court Administrator, PO Box 750, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48804.

Thank you for your consideration to these necessary additions.

STATE OF MICHIGAN



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54th Circuit Court Administrative Order 2021- 09J
71B District Court Administrative Order 2021- 09J
Tuscola County Probate Administrative Order 2021- 06J

Tuscola County Courthouse Face Mask Policy

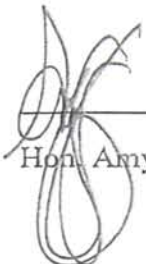
Effective September 13, 2021, face masks are required for all non-courthouse employees while inside the courthouse regardless of vaccination status. Face masks shall be worn so that an individual's mouth and nose are covered at all times. Disposable face masks are available at courthouse security if needed. Judges, magistrate, and the referee may allow individuals to remove their masks in the courtroom while speaking.

All employees are required to wear a face mask while away from their desks and at all times in the courtrooms. Employees who have members of the public inside their offices will be required to wear a face mask while individuals are present in their offices.

The Tuscola County Courts will continue to monitor the county's COVID-19 positivity rate, as well as, communicate with the Tuscola County Health Department to determine if this Order can be modified.

Anyone violating this order may be held in contempt of court.

Dated: 09.22.21



Hon. Amy Grace Gierhart, Chief Judge

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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At a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, on the 28th day of October, 2021 with the meeting called to order at 8:00 a.m.

Commissioners Present:

Commissioners Absent:

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, seconded by Commissioner _____

RESOLUTION OF THE TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVING THE 2021 APPORTIONMENT REPORT

RESOLUTION 2021-15

WHEREAS, MCL 211.37 as amended, requires the County Board of Commissioners at their October session to apportion the amount of property taxes to be raised by the various jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the submitted Apportionment Report contains a summary of the requests for millages to be levied by the various taxing jurisdictions and the County of Tuscola; and

WHEREAS, MCL 207.12 as amended, requires the Director of the County Equalization Department to make and submit to the Department of Treasury, State Tax Commission, a detailed report of such actions by the County Board on a form prescribed by the Commission.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners approves the summary of millage requests by the various taxing jurisdictions and further authorizes the Tuscola County Equalization Director to certify such forms and submit them as required by law to the appropriate departments.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Resolution declared adopted.

Date _____

Thomas Bardwell, Chairperson
Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

I, Jodi Fetting, Tuscola County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners at its meeting on October 28, 2021.

Date _____

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

PROPOSED



MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL
RISK MANAGEMENT
A U T H O R I T Y

October 18, 2021

Ean Lee, Chief Information Officer
Tuscola County
440 N State St
Caro, MI 48723

Dear Mr. Lee,

I am most happy to inform you that the MMRMA Board Chairman has reappointed you to the Technology & Cyber Security Risk Control Advisory Committee with a term expiring December 31, 2024. Your reappointment was unanimously confirmed by the Board of Directors at its October 14, 2021 meeting.

I want to thank you for your participation on the Committee and your willingness to devote your time, energy, and expertise to support the many successes of this fine organization.

Warmest regards,

Michael L. Rhyner
Executive Director

cc: Clayette Zechmeister
MMRMA Risk Manager

September 30, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board was held in their offices at 1733 S. Mertz Rd., Caro, Michigan on Thursday, September 30, 2021 at 8:00 A.M.

Present: Road Commissioners John Laurie, Gary Parsell, Julie Matuszak, and David Kennard; Acting County Highway Engineer Brent Dankert (arrived at 8:45 A.M.), Operations Engineer Technician Will Green, Superintendent/Manager Jay Tuckey, and Director of Finance/Secretary-Clerk Michael Tuckey.

Absent: Road Commissioner Duane Weber.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Kennard that the minutes of the September 16, 2021 regular meeting of the Board be approved. Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Parsell that the minutes of the September 16, 2021 closed session of the Board be approved. Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Payroll in the amount of \$108,448.92 and bills in the amount of \$513,446.14 covered by vouchers #2021-48, #2021-49, #2021-50 and #HRA-99 were presented and audited.

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

Brief Public Comment Segment:
None.

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Parsell to approve the Road Commission change to its winter operating hours effective Monday, October 18, 2021; as recommended by the Superintendent/Manager. Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak to accept the Letter of Resignation from Brian Becker effective October 7, 2021. Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Kennard seconded by Matuszak granting Michael Farver a Medical Leave of Absence through November 7, 2021, all in accordance with the Union Contract. Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak to approve that the Road Commission advertise to fill up to four (4) vacant Light Equipment Operator positions, as recommended by the Superintendent/Manager. Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

At 8:15 A.M. the following bids were opened for the Replacement of HVAC Systems and Water Heater:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Project Total</u>
Thumb Cooling & Heating	\$ 19,994.58
Johnson & Wood Mechanical	\$ 78,000.00

Motion by Kennard seconded by Parsell that the bids for the Replacement of HVAC Systems and Water Heater be accepted, reviewed by Management, and tabled until the next regular meeting of the Board. Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Director of Finance Michael Tuckey presented to the Board a memo from MCRC SIP regarding an update of the COVID-19 Federal Vaccination Mandate.

Operations Engineer Green provided to the Board a road and bridge construction project update.

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert provided to the Board an update regarding the proposed limestone project at Oakhurst Park in Wisner Township.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak to approve the Permit for the Buckwild Saloon to close a portion of Fostoria Road on October 3, 2021 for a Car Show, with the conditions specified in the Permit. Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Kennard seconded by Matuszak that the meeting be adjourned at 9:10 A.M. Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Chairman

Secretary-Clerk of the Board

ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

RESOLUTION #2021-18

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT
AMENDMENTS TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT

WHEREAS, the Alger County Board of Commissioners has a vested interest in decisions made regarding the Open Meetings Act (Act 267 of 1976, being MCL 15.261 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, prior to the most recent amendments to the Act, it was generally accepted that members of a public body could participate in a meeting electronically so long as a quorum of the public body was physically present at the meeting location; and

WHEREAS, a series of Executive Orders and statutory amendments issued in 2020 authorized remote participation in public meetings and specifically allowed public bodies to hold meetings electronically, either by telephonic or video conferencing; and

WHEREAS, after December 31, 2021, members of a public body will be allowed to participate in a meeting electronically only to accommodate the absence of any member of the public body due to military duty as described in Section 3(2) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, this substantive change eliminates a public body's previous flexibility to allow one or two members to attend remotely.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Alger County Board of Commissioners requests that all counties with a population of 75,000 or fewer be exempt from the portion of the Open Meetings Act that allows only members absent due to military duty to participate in meetings electronically.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Representative Sara Cambensy, Senator Ed McBroom, Michigan Association of Counties and to the Clerk of each County in the State of Michigan.

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: October 18, 2021

OGEMAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT AMENDMENTS
TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-129
ADOPTED OCTOBER 14, 2021**

WHEREAS, the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners has a vested interest in decisions made regarding the Open Meetings Act (Act 267 of 1976, being MCL 15.261 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, prior to the most recent amendments to the Act, it was generally accepted that members of a public body could participate in a meeting electronically so long as a quorum of the public body was physically present at the meeting location; and

WHEREAS, a series of Executive Orders and statutory amendments issued in 2020 authorized remote participation in public meetings and specifically allowed public bodies to hold meetings electronically, either by telephonic or video conferencing; and

WHEREAS, after December 31, 2021, members of a public body will be allowed to participate in a meeting electronically only to accommodate the absence of any member of the public body due to military duty as described in Section 3(2) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, this substantive change eliminates a public body's previous flexibility to allow one or two members to attend remotely.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ogemaw County Board of Commissioners requests that all counties with a population of 75,000 or fewer be exempt from the portion of the Open Meetings Act that allows only members absent due to military duty to participate in meetings electronically.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Representative Daire Rendon, Senator Curt VanderWall, Michigan Association of Counties and to the Clerk of each County in the State of Michigan.

"Menominee County – Where the Best of Michigan Begins"

MENOMINEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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RESOLUTION – 2021-23

RESOLUTION TO EXEMPT COUNTIES WITH A POPULATION OF 75,000 OR LESS FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT

WHEREAS, the Menominee County Board of Commissioners has concerns regarding recent changes made to the Michigan Open Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, prior to the recent changes made to the Open Meetings Act, members of a public body could attend and participate in a public meeting virtually so long as a quorum of the public body was physically present at the meeting location; and

WHEREAS, effective April 1, 2021, the only authorization under the Open Meetings Act for a board member to attend and participate in the meeting virtually is if the board member is physically absent due to military duty, a health condition, or there is in place a statewide or local state of the emergency/state of disaster; and

WHEREAS, this eliminates a public body’s previous flexibility to allow one or two members to participate in public meetings virtually; and

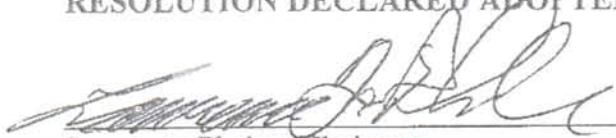
WHEREAS, the Menominee County Board of Commissioners believes that technology is sufficient to provide a reliable and clear method of virtual communication, that flexibility is essential to the recruitment and retention of qualified county commissioners, and that having a county commissioner attend and participate in a board meeting virtually is better than not having the county commissioner attend at all.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Menominee County Board of Commissioners request that the State of Michigan Legislature and Governor Whitmer make changes to the Open Meetings Act to exempt counties with a population of 75,000 or less be exempt from the portions of the Open Meetings Act that restricts a member of a public body to attend and participate in a public meeting virtually, as long as a physical quorum of the public body is in attendance at the meeting location.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Senator Ed McBroom, Representative Beau LaFave, the Michigan Association of Counties, and to each County in the State of Michigan.

Roll call vote: AYES: 8 NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.



Lawrence Phelps, Chairman

10/12/2021
Date

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF MENOMINEE)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of **Resolution 2021-23** adopted by the County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on **October 12, 2021**, and I further certify that the public notice of such meeting was given as provided by law.



Marc Kleiman, Menominee County Clerk

SANILAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN STATE MATCH PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has faced tremendous challenges as it dealt with a deadly pandemic for nearly a year and a half and is now presented with an opportunity to strategically invest in our residents, entrepreneurs, businesses and communities; and

WHEREAS, Michigan will receive more than \$10 billion in fiscal recovery aid, with 83 counties slated to get \$1.9 billion directly in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds; and

WHEREAS, cities and larger townships will receive a total of \$1.8 billion and non-entitlement communities (smaller units) approximately \$644 million, with the state of Michigan itself receiving more than \$6.5 billion; and

WHEREAS, eligible expenditures include revenue reimbursements, savings and growing interest on the funds, broadband infrastructure, economic development and individual assistance programs; and

WHEREAS, county leaders are already under pressure to announce spending decisions and elected officials at all levels of government will have to make decisions on where and how they will use the dollars within federal guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties is working on a match program to earmark close to \$4 billion in state ARP funds to leverage all levels of government to strategically invest the one-time dollars in area of greatest need for improvement; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of counties has received positive feedback on the ideas put forth for match programs within the state; and

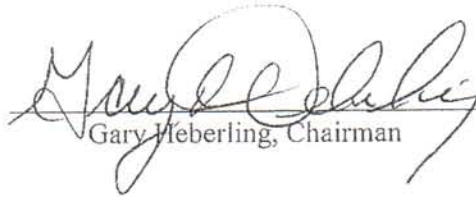
WHEREAS, Michigan has a chance to amplify investments with the influx of federal funding and a collaborative effort by all levels of government that will allow the dollars to be stretched to invest in common goals; and

WHEREAS, the comprehensive approach to leverage ARP dollars will provide Michigan the ability to amplify investment for our future by focusing resources in five key areas – water infrastructure and broadband, local capacity and fiscal stability, housing and community development, comprehensive economic development and public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, our future success is inextricably linked, and strategic investment of our available resources needs to support and strengthen these connections;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Sanilac County Board of Commissioners supports American Rescue Plan State Match Programs and authorizes the Board Chairperson and staff to forward a copy of this resolution directly to all County Commissioners, or their equivalents, in each of the 83 counties in the State of Michigan.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the proceedings of the Sanilac County Board of Commissioners this 19th day of October, 2021.



Gary Heberling, Chairman

ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

RESOLUTION #2021-19

OPPOSING SENATOR SHIRKEY’S GEARING TOWARD INTEGRATION PROPOSAL AND SUPPORTING PATHWAYS COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Alger County Board of Commissioners, has entered into an enabling resolution to help create the four County Pathways Community Mental Health Authority SP, pursuant to Section 100 et seq. and Section 205 of the Mental Health Code, 1974 PA 258, as amended (MCL330.1 100 et seq; MCL330.1205); and

WHEREAS, Pathways Community Mental Health Authority SP, organized under the terms of Section 204(a) of the Michigan Mental Health Code (the Code), (MCL330.1204[a]); and

WHEREAS, Section 116(b) of the Code (MCL330.1116[b]) requires that the Department of Community Health shift primary responsibility for the direct delivery of public mental health services from the state to a community mental health services program whenever the community mental health services program has demonstrated a willingness and capacity to provide an adequate and appropriate system of mental health services for the citizens of that service area; and

WHEREAS, Pathways Community Mental Health SP has demonstrated such willingness and capacity to provide broad array of innovative, cutting edge, community mental health services for the past 50 years and is properly certified as a community mental health services program under the terms of Section 232(a) of the Code (MCL330.1232[a]); now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Alger County Board of Commissioners strongly urges its State Senate and House of Representatives to oppose Senator Shirkey's Gearing Toward Integration Proposal and subsequent changes proposed to the Michigan Social Welfare Act which would privatize the public mental health system and essentially eliminate the public safety net; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That Senator Shirkey's Gearing Toward Integration Proposal was formerly called Section 298 and that pilot program that provided the foundation for this latest proposal was abandon as unworkable, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alger County Board of Commissioners supports Pathways Community Mental Health Services Program system that provides necessary community safety net services and supports; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be provided to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Senator Ed McBroom, 38th District, Sara Cambensy, State Representative, 109th House District, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Director Elizabeth Hertel, Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Administration, Deputy Director Dr. George Mellos, the Michigan Association of Counties, and all Michigan counties

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: October 18, 2021



Muskegon County Resolution Supporting West Michigan Agriculture Technologies and Regional Food Systems Initiative

Resolution #2021-411

WHEREAS, the County of Muskegon is a member of the West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission; and

WHEREAS, the agriculture and food processing sector is an important part of the West Michigan economy; and

WHEREAS, Muskegon County supports efforts to advance the infrastructure of water and sewer in West Michigan; and

WHEREAS, The West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission will work with regional partners throughout the West Michigan region on the West Michigan Agriculture Technologies & Regional Food Systems Initiative; and

WHEREAS, Muskegon County supports efforts to advance the agriculture and food processing cluster in West Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration has announced the Build Back Better Regional Challenge to provide transformational investment to regions across the country that want to revitalize their economies and grow existing regional clusters, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; Muskegon County supports the West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission's EDA Build Back Better grant application for the West Michigan Agricultural Technologies & Regional Food Systems Initiative.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Governor Whitmer, Senator Jon Bumstead, Representative Terry Sabo, Representative Greg VanWoerkom, the Michigan Senate, the Michigan House of Representatives, Michigan Association of Counties and to the Clerk of each County in the State of Michigan.

The Muskegon County Board of Commissioners, at its October 12, 2021, meeting recommended approval by Commissioner Cyr, support by Commissioner Hughes, the aforementioned resolution.

Ayes: Doug Brown, Kim Cyr, Marcia Hovey-Wright, Susie Hughes, Charles Nash, Robert Scolnik
Nays: Zach Lahring, Malinda Pego
Excused: Rillastine Wilkins

I, Nancy A. Waters, Clerk of the Muskegon County Board of Commissioners and Clerk of the County of Muskegon, do hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by said Board on October 12, 2021.

Nancy A. Waters 10-13-2021
Nancy A. Waters, Clerk Date
County of Muskegon



**MISSAUKEE COUNTY RESOLUTION 2021-11
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF VACCINE AWARENESS
AND MEDICAL AUTONOMY**

WHEREAS we elected officials have solemnly sworn and oath to support the Constitution of the United States of America, which is ordained and established to “promote the general welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our posterity,” and;

WHEREAS the current Federal Government plan to force employers in the United States to coerce employees to vaccinate or submit to testing for COVID-19 is in direct conflict to the medical autonomy of free citizens, and;

WHEREAS citizens being both informed about the risks and benefits of any available medical interventions such as vaccines and face coverings and that with the consultation of their own medical care providers, have the information necessary to make an informed decision regarding their own bodies; and

WHEREAS the citizens of Missaukee County have the sacred inalienable right to make autonomous choices about their own health, this being essential to securing both the general welfare and securing the Blessings of Liberty.

WHEREAS The Missaukee County Board of Commissioners recognizes and commends the employees of the District Health Department #10,

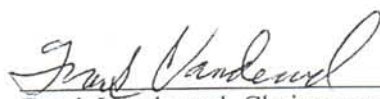
THEREFORE Missaukee County shall not require or mandate to any employee, prospective employee, contractor, any form of vaccine or similar medical treatment verification or medical test verification as a general condition of employment and will not encourage employers located within Missaukee County to establish such mandates that hinder medical autonomy.

THEREFORE all Missaukee County messaging related to vaccines, face coverings, or other medical interventions shall encourage citizens to discuss the risks and benefits of any such treatment with their chosen healthcare provider or public health agency if they do not have a private healthcare provider

THEREFORE the Missaukee County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Board Chairperson and staff to forward a copy of this resolution to all County Commissioners, or their equivalents, in each of the 83 counties in the State of Michigan

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be adopted at the Missaukee County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting on this 12th day of October, 2021.

Dated: October 12, 2021


Frank Vanderwal, Chairperson