



# TUSCOLA COUNTY

## Board of Commissioners

### BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, January 27, 2022 – 8:00 AM

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

**Public may participate in the meeting electronically:**

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8:00 AM Call to Order - Chairperson Bardwell  
Prayer - Commissioner Young  
Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner DuRussel  
Roll Call - Clerk Fetting

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### **New Business**

1. Office Closure and Tuscola County Register of Deeds Proposed Department Policy - John Bishop, Register of Deeds
2. Parks and Recreation Commission Member Appointment
3. **9:00 a.m.** Closed Session on Courthouse Security
4. Courtroom Security Settlement Agreement
5. 2022 Budget Amendment
6. **9:30 a.m.** Closed Session on Labor Negotiations
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### **Old Business**

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5. Great Start Collaborative
6. Human Services Collaborative Council (HSCC)

7. Jail Planning Committee
8. MAC Agricultural/Tourism Committee
9. Region VII Economic Development Planning
10. Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative
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12. Tuscola 2020
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**Bardwell**

1. Behavioral Health Systems Board
2. Caro DDA/TIFA
3. Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
4. MAC 7th District
5. MAC Workers Comp Board
6. MAC Finance Committee
7. TRIAD
8. Local Units of Government Activity Report

**Vaughan**

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**DuRussel**

1. Board of Health
2. Community Corrections Advisory Board

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4. Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
5. Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
6. MAC Judiciary Committee
7. MEMS All Hazard
8. Local Units of Government Activity Report

**Grimshaw**

1. Behavioral Health Systems Board
2. Recycling Advisory
3. Jail Planning Committee
4. MI Renewable Energy Coalition (MREC)
5. Local Units of Government

**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 (2) days in advance of the meeting.



# MINUTES

## Board of Commissioners

### Meeting

**8:05 AM - Thursday, January 13, 2022**

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

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Commissioner Bardwell called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the H.H. Purdy Building Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln St., Caro, MI 48723, on Thursday, January 13, 2022, to order at 8:05 AM local time.

Prayer - Commissioner Bardwell

Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Young

Roll Call - Clerk Fetting

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

Commissioner Absent: Kim Vaughan

Others Present In-Person: Clayette Zechmeister, Eean Lee, Register John Bishop, Shelly Lutz, Sandy Nielsen, Jon Ramirez, Steve Anderson, Brian Hart

Also Present Virtual: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Tracy Violet, Brian McComb, Mary Drier, K. Free, Nick Sakon, Alecia Little, Mark Haney, Debbie Babich, Sheriff Glen Skrent, Mike Miller, Shannon Beach, Bob Baxter, Jessica VanHove, Mitch Davies, Pam Shook, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Cindy McKinney-Volz, Brian Hemerline, Mike Slade

At 8:10 a.m., there were a total of 20 participants attending the meeting virtually.

#### **Adoption of Agenda**

1. Adoption of Agenda -

2022-M-001

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Doug DuRussel to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

#### **Action on Previous Meeting Minutes**

1. Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -

2022-M-002

Motion by Doug DuRussel, seconded by Thomas Young to adopt the meeting minutes from the December 29, 2021 Regular meeting. Motion Carried.

**Brief Public Comment Period for Agenda Items Only**

None

**Consent Agenda Resolution**

2022-M-003

Motion by Dan Grimshaw, seconded by Doug DuRussel that the Consent Agenda Minutes and Consent Agenda Items from the January 10, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted.

Commissioner Grimshaw moved to amend Item 1 in the Consent Agenda for the travel funds to be taken from the Register's Automation Fund rather than the General Fund. Motion to amend died for lack of support.

Motion Carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Register of Deeds Request for Out of State Conference Travel - Move that per the January 10, 2022 request from John Bishop, Register of Deeds, to approve the out of state travel request to attend the Property Records Industry Association (PRIA) spring conference held in Phoenix, Arizona, on February 15-16, 2022.
2. Medical Care Community 2021 Millage Transfer Request - Move that per the request from the Medical Care Community Chief Executive Officer that \$117,898.00 be transferred from the Voted Medical Care Facility Fund (298) to the Regular Medical Care Facility (291) for the items listed in the December 29, 2021 letter.
3. Guidehouse Non-Entitlement Units of Local Government (NEU'S) Survey Results Regarding American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds - Move to allow Guidehouse, under our current contract, to proceed with up to one hour of consultation and discussion with each Local Unit of Government if the Local Unit wishes to participate. The cost is not to exceed \$180.00 per hour per unit and would be covered under the County American Rescue Plan Act Funds.

**New Business**

1. Dispatch Director Hiring -

2022-M-004

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Doug DuRussel to concur with the recommendation of the Authority Board Hiring Committee and hire Jonathon Ramirez effective February 7, 2022 as the new Dispatch Director at the Step 3 rate of pay of \$65,820.80. Motion Carried.

2. Animal Control Part-Time Kennel Attendant Hiring -

2022-M-005

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Doug DuRussel that per the recommendation of the Animal Control Director that Miranda Weigold be hired to fill the vacant part-time Animal Control Kennel Attendant effective January 26, 2022 at Step 1 rate of pay of \$15.64 per hour. Motion Carried.

**Old Business (continued below) -**

1. Gilford Township Community Resolution and Intergovernmental Agreement to Manage Floodplain Development for the National Flood Insurance Program -  
Clayette Zechmeister reported this matter is not ready for action yet today and that Legal Counsel is reviewing the matter. SAFEBuilt is also looking at the resolution. Board discussed the matter and Clayette will update the Board by the next Board of Commissioners meeting on January 27, 2022.

**Extended Public Comment (continued below) -**

- Brian Hart, MIFSM, addressed the Board regarding an outstanding invoice. He is seeking who is responsible to pay the invoice, Tuscola County or Dr. Morrone. Clayette was aware of the question and is currently researching the dates to determine where the responsibility lies.

Recessed at 8:53 a.m.

Reconvened at 9:01 a.m.

**New Business (continued from above) -**

1. Closed Session -

2022-M-006

Motion by Doug DuRussel, seconded by Thomas Young that the Board meet in Closed Session under Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the contents of a written legal memorandum from its attorney, which is exempted from disclosure under Section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act, with Eric Morris with Braun Kendrick, Clayette Zechmeister, Jodi Fetting, and Eean Lee to be allowed to attend the closed session at 9:01 a.m.

Yes: Thomas Young, Doug DuRussel, Thomas Bardwell, and Dan Grimshaw

Absent: Kim Vaughan

Motion Carried.

Recessed to Closed Session at 9:01 a.m.

Reconvened at 9:40 a.m.

At 9:40 a.m., there were 26 participants attending the meeting virtually.

**Old Business (continued from above) -**

1. Courthouse Security Update -

2022-M-009

Motion by Dan Grimshaw, seconded by Thomas Young that the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners is broadly supportive of the settlement proposal offered by the Chief Judge which would resolve the current court security funding dispute between the County and the Unified Courts. I further move that the County Controller and County Corporation Counsel are hereby directed to negotiate the terms of a settlement agreement that would resolve this dispute and bring such proposed agreement to the Board of Commissioners for review and approval as soon as possible.

Yes: Thomas Young, Thomas Bardwell, Doug DuRussel, and Dan Grimshaw

Absent: Kim Vaughan

Motion Carried.

**Correspondence/Resolutions**

1. Road Commission Minutes December 9, 2021
2. Road Commission Minutes December 22, 2021

**Commissioner Liaison Committee Reports**

**Young**

Board of Public Works -  
Meeting schedule for 2022 has been set.

County Road Commission Liaison

Dispatch Authority Board -  
Meets next Tuesday.

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 -  
It is Radon Awareness Month and the Health Department has free Radon kits available.

***Bardwell***

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

***Vaughan***

Absent

Board of Health  
County Planning Commission  
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment  
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Board of Health  
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Department of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works

Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)

MAC Judiciary Committee

MEMS All Hazard

Local Units of Government Activity Report -

Watertown Township Supervisor and Clerk reported that neither of them received the email regarding Guidehouse working with the NEUs.

**Grimshaw**

Behavioral Health Systems Board

Recycling Advisory

Jail Planning Committee

MI Renewable Energy Coalition (MREC)

Local Units of Government -

Village of Reese Manager did not open the email received regarding Guidehouse working with the NEUs as there was concern it was spam.

Denmark Township needs to have repair work completed on their lagoons.

MidState Health Board also has concerns on the limitations imposed by the Open Meetings Act for virtual meeting participation.

**Other Business as Necessary**

1. January 24, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting -  
Senator Kevin Daley will attend to provide a legislative update.
2. ARPA Final Ruling Release -  
Clayette clarified that local Villages can take advantage of the consultation with Guidehouse. She will be attending a meeting tomorrow that is to explain the final ruling that has been released regarding the use of ARPA funds. She will have an update to provide to the Board at the next Board meeting.
3. Clerk Stipend for Election Programming -  
Clayette reported that legal counsel is currently working on the issue.
4. Department of Treasury Final Summary Report on ARPA Funds -  
Commissioner Grimshaw provided a copy to the Board Chair. Clayette will distribute to all Commissioners.
5. Building & Grounds Committee Meeting -  
Eric Morris will be reaching out to meet with Commissioner DuRussel and Commissioner Grimshaw regarding the properties that have been brought forward for

consideration of the County Space project. The tours of the properties will not be posted with minutes prepared although Mike Miller and Eean Lee will be invited to participate. Commissioner Bardwell asked that the Committee remain pragmatic and non-biased.

**Extended Public Comment (continued from above)**

None

**Adjournment**

2022-M-010

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Doug DuRussel to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 a.m. Motion Carried.

Jodi Fetting  
Tuscola County Clerk

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# MINUTES

## Committee of the Whole Meeting

**8:00 AM - Monday, January 24, 2022**

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

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Roll Call - Clerk Fetting

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

Commissioners Absent: Kim Vaughan

Others Present In-Person: Clerk Jodi Fetting, Eean Lee, Clayette Zechmeister, Sheriff Glen Skrent, Joe Bixler, Tracie Robinson, Karly Creguer, Nola Aurenhammer, Senator Kevin Daley, Laura Ailing-Garrett, Roger Hood, Dr. William Morrone, Cody Horton, GF Rolka, Debbie Babich

Also Present Virtual: Tracy Violet, K. Free, Sandy Nielsen, Pam Shook, Cody Horton, Debbie Babich, Mary Drier, Commissioner Kim Vaughan, Mark Haney, Dara Hood, Alecia Little, Mark Ransford, Samantha Dennis, Cindy McKinney-Volz, Treasurer Ashley Bennett, Cindy Hughes, Bob Baxter, Mike Slade, Matt Brown, Sheriff Glen Skrent, Mike Miller

At 8:09 a.m., there were a total of 19 participants attending the meeting virtually.

### County Updates

None

### New Business

Continued below

1. Tuscola Food Access Collaborative (TFAC) Annual Report - Karly Creguer, MPH, Supervising & Staff Development Educator Michigan State University Extension, presented the 2020-2021 Annual Report to the Board. A partnership was developed to provide assistance to the Juvenile Court's Community Garden. The Caro Farmers Market accepts SNAP benefits, WIC Project Fresh and Senior Project FRESH. There are nine Thumb Blessing Boxes located throughout the county. Community members are able to donate to the boxes. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

2. Annual Aging Services Programmatic Report FY 2021 -  
Kristy Sutherland, Human Development Commission Senior Services Director, was unable to attend this morning so the matter will be added to a future agenda.
3. Legislative Update -  
Senator Kevin Daley addressed the Board regarding Tuscola County Resolution 2021-13 regarding virtual participation in a Board meeting to be allowed. Senator Daley provided an update on SB 814, SB 768, and also SB 441 which will be dependent on the outcome of the MREC settlement. The Caro Center is currently on target for the timeline. The State Redistricting Maps were discussed. Board would like the State to look at adding beds for mental health patients rather than taking them away. The matter of no-fault insurance and vaccine mandates by employers was discussed.
4. Tuscola County Medical Examiner Annual Report -  
Dr. William Morrone presented to the Board regarding the number of deaths and causes in Tuscola County from May 2021 to December 2021. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.
5. Property on Hooper Street for Consideration on Space Needs -  
Laura Ailing-Garrett, McLeod Realty, presented a proposed property with address of 852 S Hooper Street, Caro MI as a possible solution to be considered for County Space Needs.

Recessed at 9:33 a.m.  
Reconvened at 9:42 a.m.

6. Out of State Travel Request -  
Eean Lee, Chief Information Officer, presented the travel request that has been budgeted for. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

**Old Business**

None

**Finance/Technology**

***Primary Finance/Technology***

continued below

1. 2020 County Incentive Program (CIP) Submission -  
Debbie Babich presented to the Board the Citizen's Guide to Local Unit Finances for revenues, expenditures, financial position and pension funding status. The 2020 Dashboard was also presented with discussion of Favorable Indicator and Unfavorable Indicator. The Board discussed the Key Statistical Indicators that was presented in the agenda packet.

**New Business**

continued from above

**7. GF Rolka Presentation -**

GF Rolka addressed the Board regarding his concerns that were submitted to the Board and included in the agenda packet.

***Primary Finance/Technology***

continued from above

1. 2020 County Incentive Program (CIP) Submission - continued from above - Debbie continued her presentation to the Board. The information has been placed on the County Website.
2. Project and Security Updates - Eean Lee, Chief Information Officer, provided an update on the Board on the projects planned. He also discussed the heightened cybersecurity concerns and the success of the county firewall in protecting the county network.

***On-Going and Other Finance***

1. Preparation of Multi-Year Financial Planning - No update.
2. Cooperative Reimbursement Programs Summary from Prosecutor and Friend of the Court - Will be scheduled for a future meeting.

***On-Going and Other Technology***

1. GIS Update - Cody Horton provided an overview of GIS Department Sales from 2017-2021 for Map Sales, GIS Sales and Fetch Sales.
2. Increasing On-Line Services/Updating Web Page

**Building and Grounds**

Commissioner DuRussel met with Eric Morris regarding the County Space Needs. Eric is recommending that Commissioner DuRussel and Commissioner Grimshaw tour the buildings independently. Clayette to set up one day for all of the proposed properties to be toured by the Commissioners individually.

***Primary Building and Grounds***

1. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Building Carpet Replacement - Mike Miller provided an update on the project. He is asking for permission to utilize the MiDeal program for the carpet replacement. Matter to be placed on the Consent Agenda.

***On-Going and Other Building and Grounds***

1. IT Department Space Needs -  
Discussed earlier in the meeting.

**Personnel**

***Primary Personnel***

***On-Going and Other Personnel***

1. Workman's Compensation
2. Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) 7th District Meeting
3. Safety Committees - Watch for Grant Opportunities
4. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA/MIOSHA) Potential Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS)
5. Retirement Plans and Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) Representative Updates
6. County Clerk Stipend

**Other Business as Necessary**

None

**On-Going Other Business as Necessary**

1. Animal Control Ordinance -  
Clayette stated that the ordinance is being reviewed by Legal Counsel.
2. Guidehouse Activity for Non-Entitlement Units of Local Government (NEU's) Outreach -  
Guidehouse is recommending two sessions February 8, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. and February 10, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. which will be held as group sessions. Clayette reviewed the jurisdictions that have not responded.
3. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds - Updates on Projects and Reporting -  
Clayette stated that the project list has been compiled and projects are added as they come in.
4. County Wide upcoming Millage renewals:
  1. Michigan State University Extension
  2. Primary Roads and Street Improvement
  3. Bridge and Street ImprovementClayette stated that these are the three millages that need to be placed on a ballot in 2022 for renewal. The millage for a new jail also needs to be considered.
5. Courthouse Security Funding Issue -  
Clayette reported there will be a Closed Session on Thursday to discuss the matter.

6. County Clerk Stipend -  
Commissioner DuRussel asked for an update on the progress of getting an answer from Legal Counsel. Clayette stated that Legal Counsel is reviewing.

At 12:14 p.m., there were a total of 14 participants attending the meeting virtually.

**Public Comment Period**

None

**Adjournment**

Motion by Thomas Young, seconded by Dan Grimshaw to adjourn the meeting at 12:15 p.m. Motion Carried.

Jodi Fetting  
Tuscola County Clerk

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## Meeting People Where They Are

Thumb Blessing Boxes expanded their reach into Tuscola County. There are now **nine Boxes** filled with food, personal hygiene products, paper products, etc. scattered around the County. Community members who are able are encouraged to donate items to the Boxes to help their neighbors in need. Several local groups have stepped up to look after each Box including, 4-H clubs, Rotary Clubs, Great Start Tuscola, and the Caro Library.

One Thumb Blessing Box was placed on a Thumbbody Express bus to reach its passengers. Since its placement in June 2021, the Blessing Box has been exposed to **over 900 ride trips**. Seeing a need for outside donations, the Caro Farmers Market hosted a Blessing Box “Donation Station”, which market patrons filled each Saturday, to restock the Box. Patrons are also welcomed to purchase “Market Money” tokens to offer riders of the Thumbbody Express bagged increments of **\$5 to purchase locally produced goods**. Plans are now being developed to expand the reach of the Blessing Boxes on more buses soon.

To view a story that was recently published on this project, visit <https://bit.ly/2ZRu7ms>.

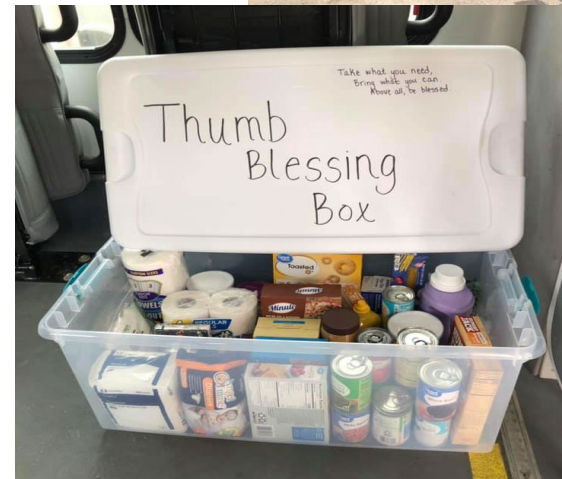
Work to expand access to fresh local food at the Caro Farmers Market is also taking place. A pilot “bus route” offering no-cost rides to the Market is mapped out and will continue next market season.

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# TUSCOLA FOOD ACCESS COLLABORATIVE

## 2020-2021 Annual Report



For more information about the Tuscola Food Access Collaborative or how you can get involved, contact:

Karly Creguer  
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989-672-3870

# Ensuring access to healthy foods for low-income community members

## Collaboration is Key

Since its inception in November 2019, the Tuscola Food Access Collaborative has grown to include eight diverse organizations including Michigan State University Extension, Tuscola ISD, Caro Farmers Market, Good Samaritan Food Pantry, Thumb Food Policy Council, Great Start Tuscola, and Human Development Commission. These organizations offer a variety of expertise in the fields of food insecurity, food access, nutrition, food safety, transportation, gardening, and food policy.

## Growing Food for Neighbors in Need

A partnership was formed between MSU Extension and the Juvenile Court to enhance their community garden. With assistance from a local Master Gardener, Cathy Patterson, the court staff and probationers learned how to grow a very productive garden. Eighty-four pounds of produce was donated to local food pantries and some produce was used by the kitchen at the jail. A total of 15 probationers also completed the *Teen Cuisine* program learning healthy cooking skills.



Working with a local farmer, 1,241 pounds of cucumbers were gleaned and donated to food banks, soup kitchens and food pantries in Tuscola, Saginaw and Genesee Counties, including Good Samaritan and St. Christopher Food Pantries in Caro. Recipes and nutrition information were distributed with the cucumbers.

Collaborating with the Tuscola County Farm Bureau, a pop-up food pantry was hosted at the Tuscola Fairgrounds. The drive-thru style event was organized in a way to assist participants in making healthier selections from the food that was provided. Volunteers distributed 16,784 lbs of food to 756 people.

From Mar 2020-Feb 2021, the Thumb Food Policy Council coordinated volunteers to deliver 2.1 million lbs of food to the Thumb region, including Tuscola County.



## Promoting Nutrition Through Locally Grown Food

MSU Extension was able to distribute \$20 Senior Project FRESH coupon books to 250 Tuscola County low-income senior residents, at a total value of \$5,000. Coupons were used to buy Michigan grown fruits and vegetables.

The Caro Farmers Market is now accepting SNAP benefits, WIC Project FRESH and Senior Project FRESH coupons to expand access to locally produced foods for low-income community members. Since implementing SNAP benefits, local food producers have received nearly \$900 in SNAP food assistance revenue.

The Market has also redeemed almost 70 Senior Project FRESH coupons totaling over \$130, supporting 10+ local farms.

Great Start Tuscola and the Caro Farmers Market partnered early in the 2021 market season to offer children in the area a \$2 voucher to spend on locally produced foods at the Market.



# Tuscola County Medical Examiner Service Data\*

May 01, 2021 to December 31, 2021

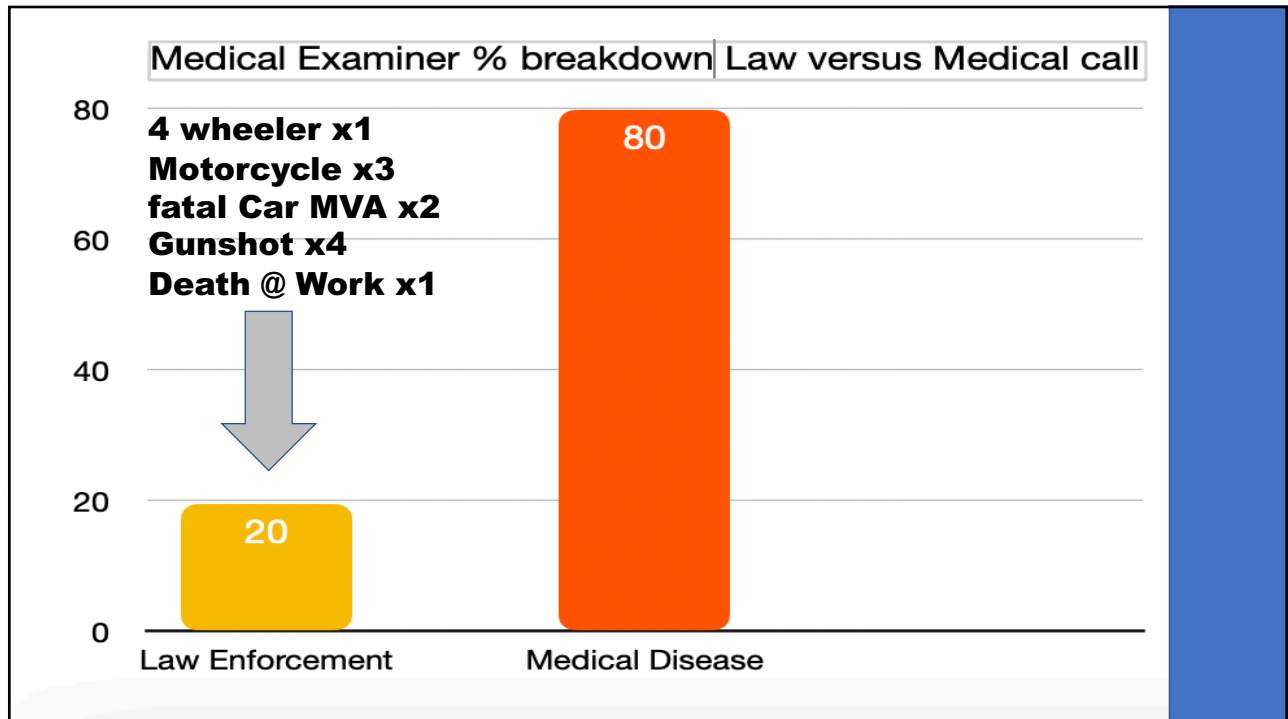
**Dr. Wm. Morrone**

AKA Capitol Toxicology

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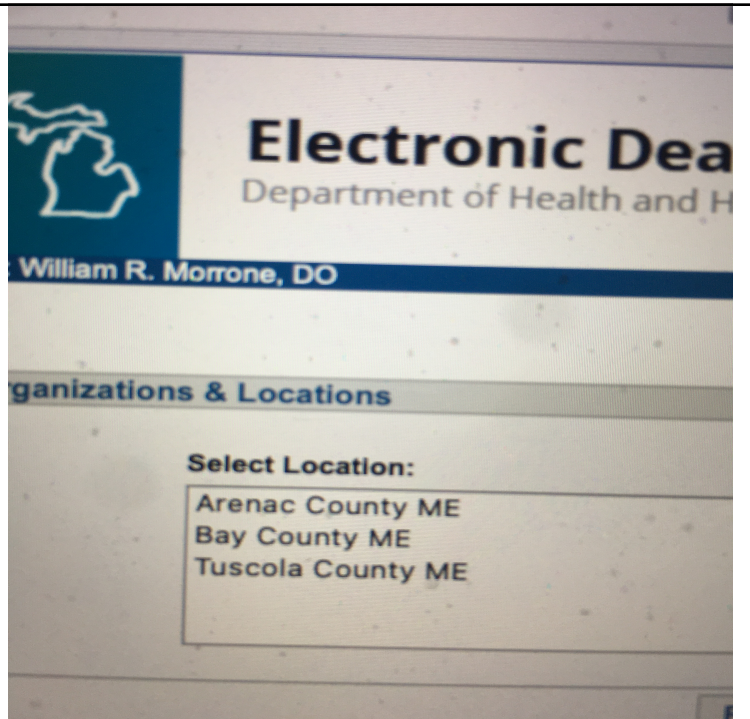
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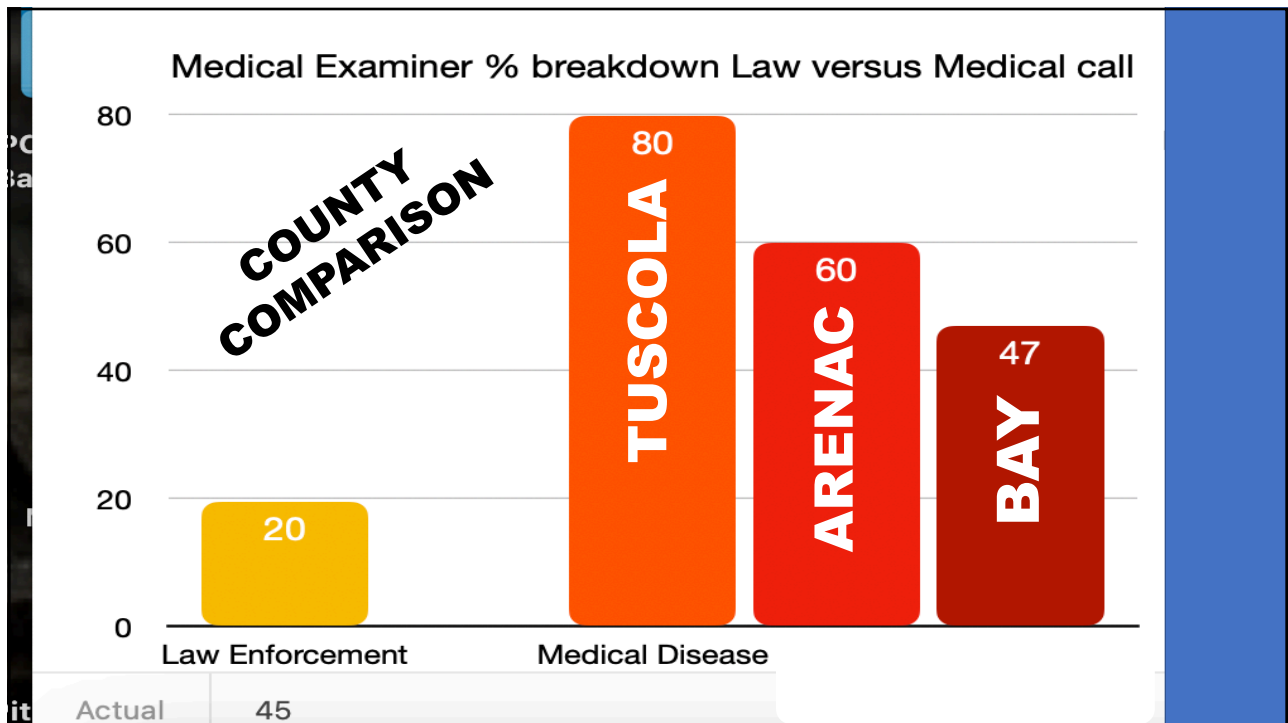


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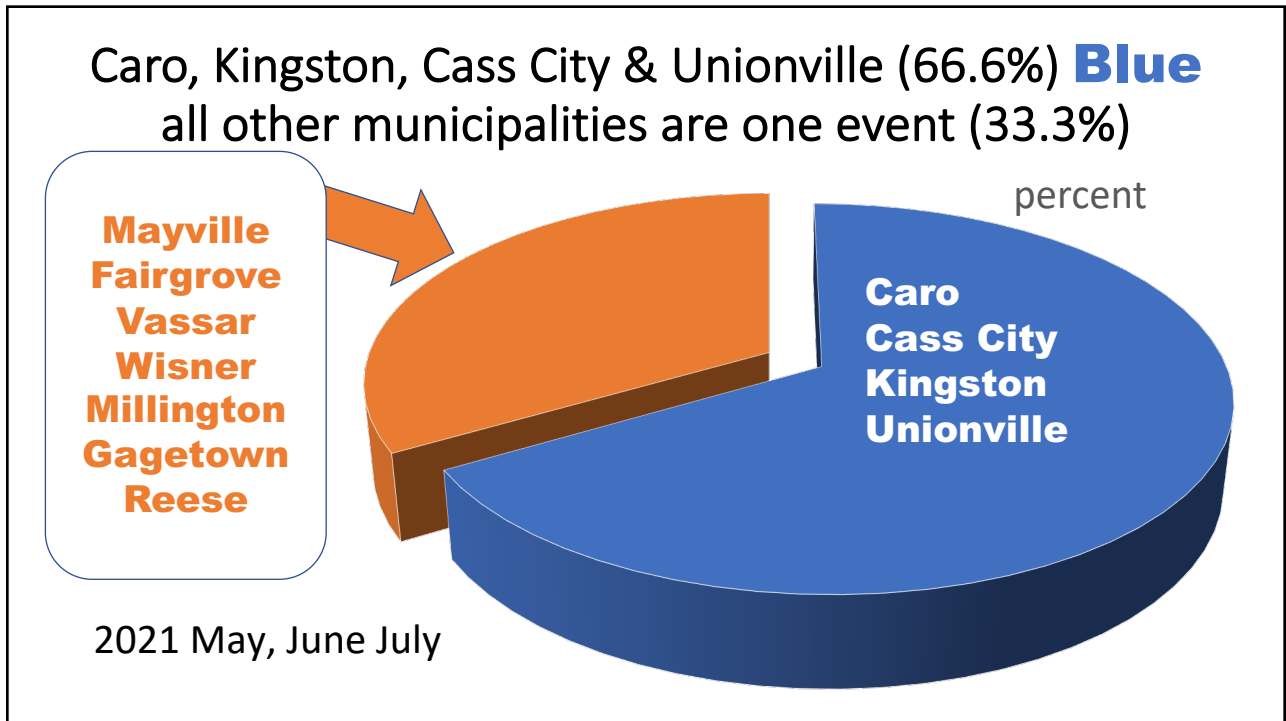
**Dr. Morrone is able to compare different M.E. county data**



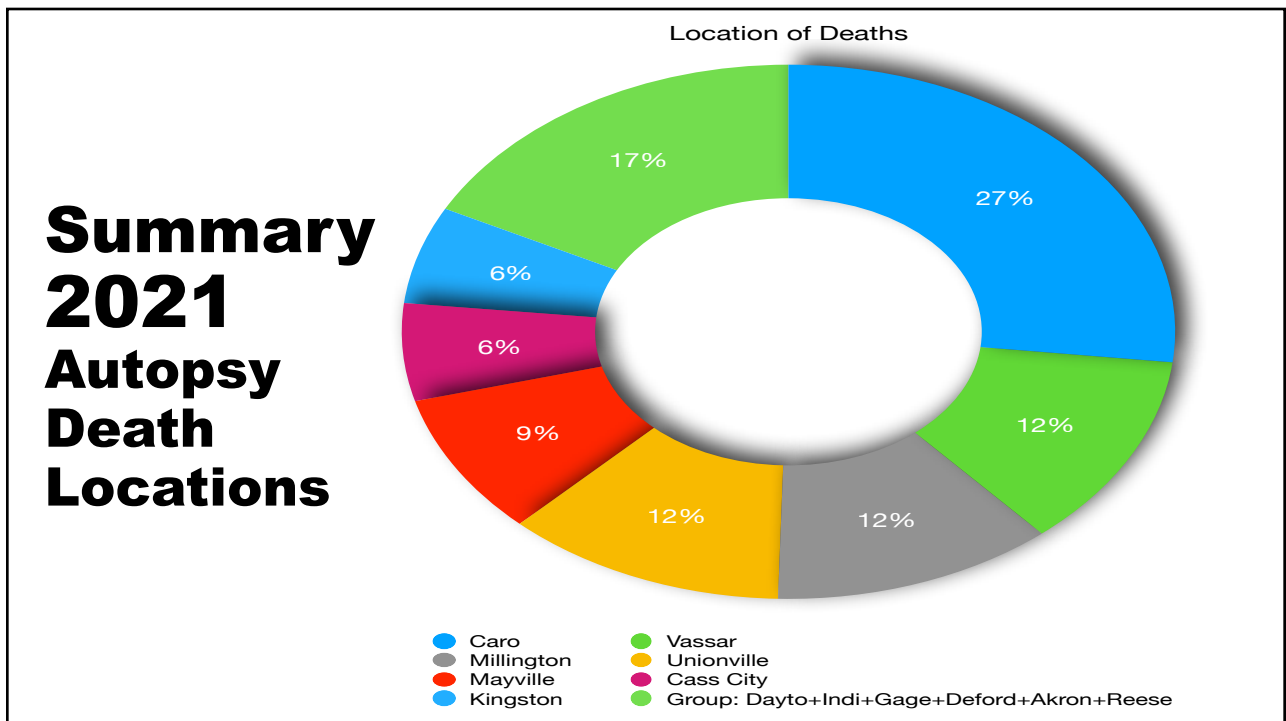
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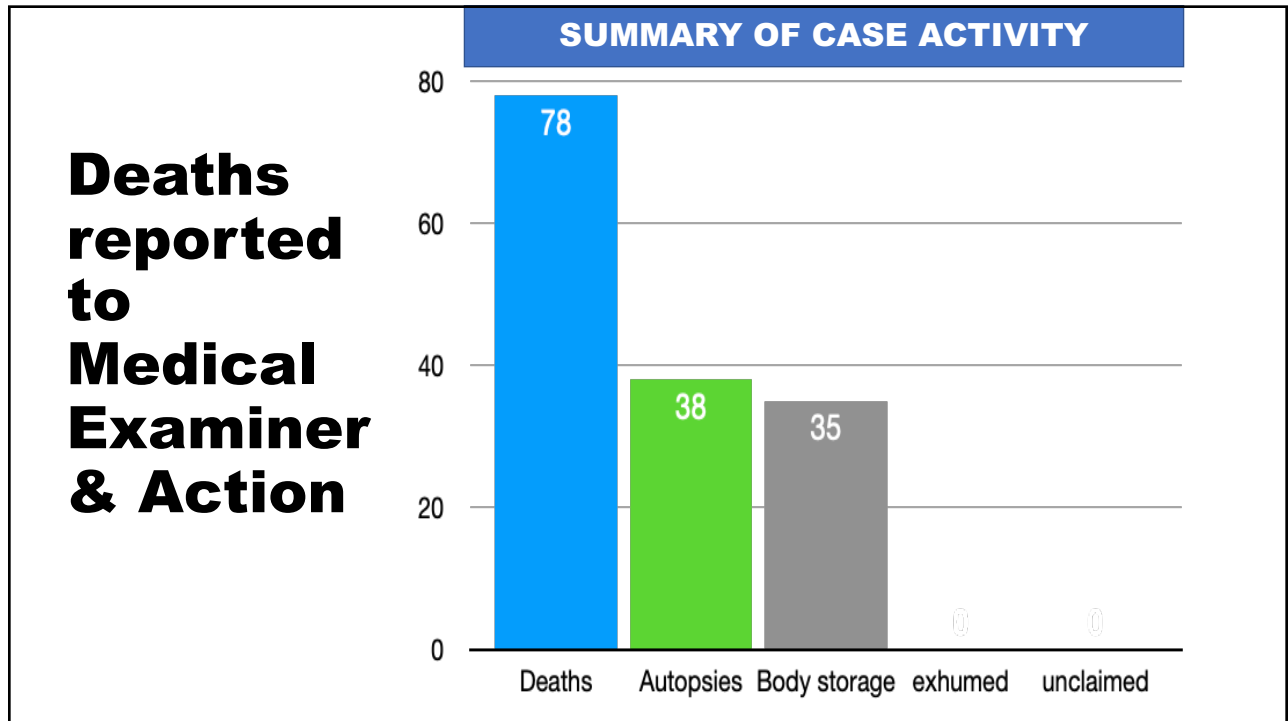
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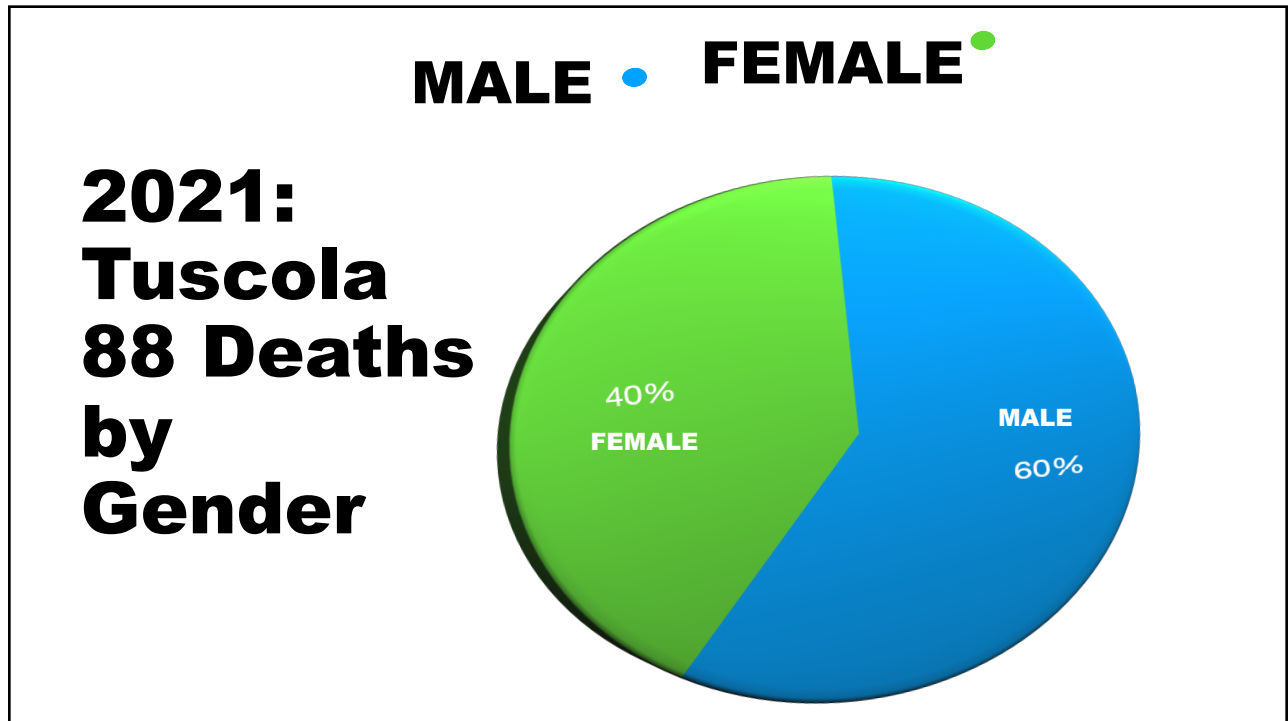


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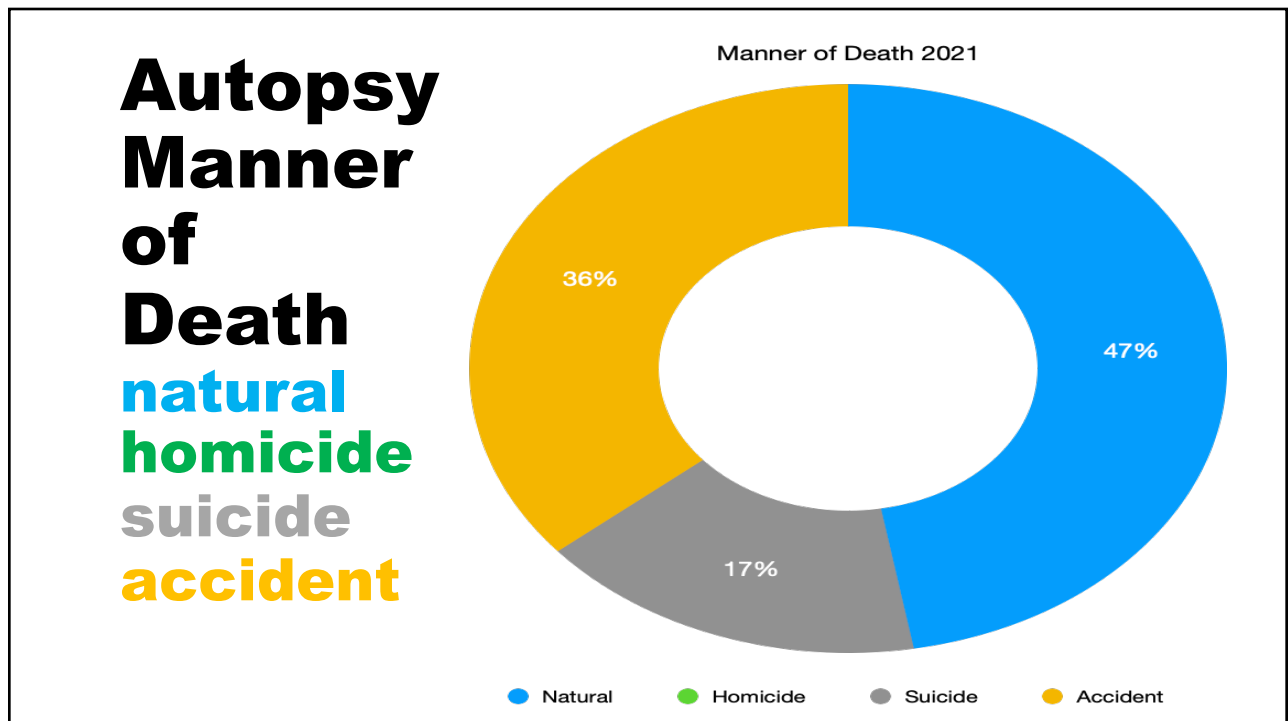
**2021 TUSCOLA County Death by age for autopsy**

| AGE           | 15-25 | 26-35 | 36-45     | 46-55 | 56-67     | 68-80 | 81-86 | > 86 |
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| <b>DEATHS</b> | 3     | 2     | <b>10</b> | 2     | <b>11</b> | 5     | 3     | 1    |

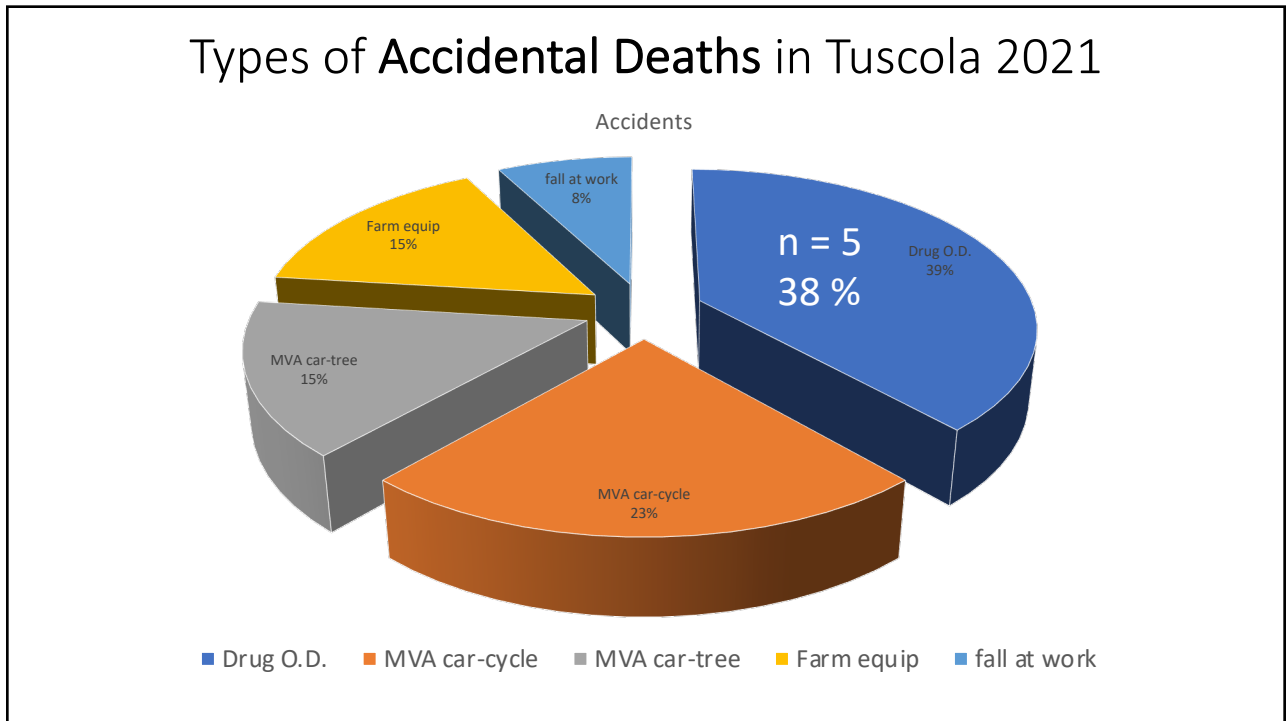
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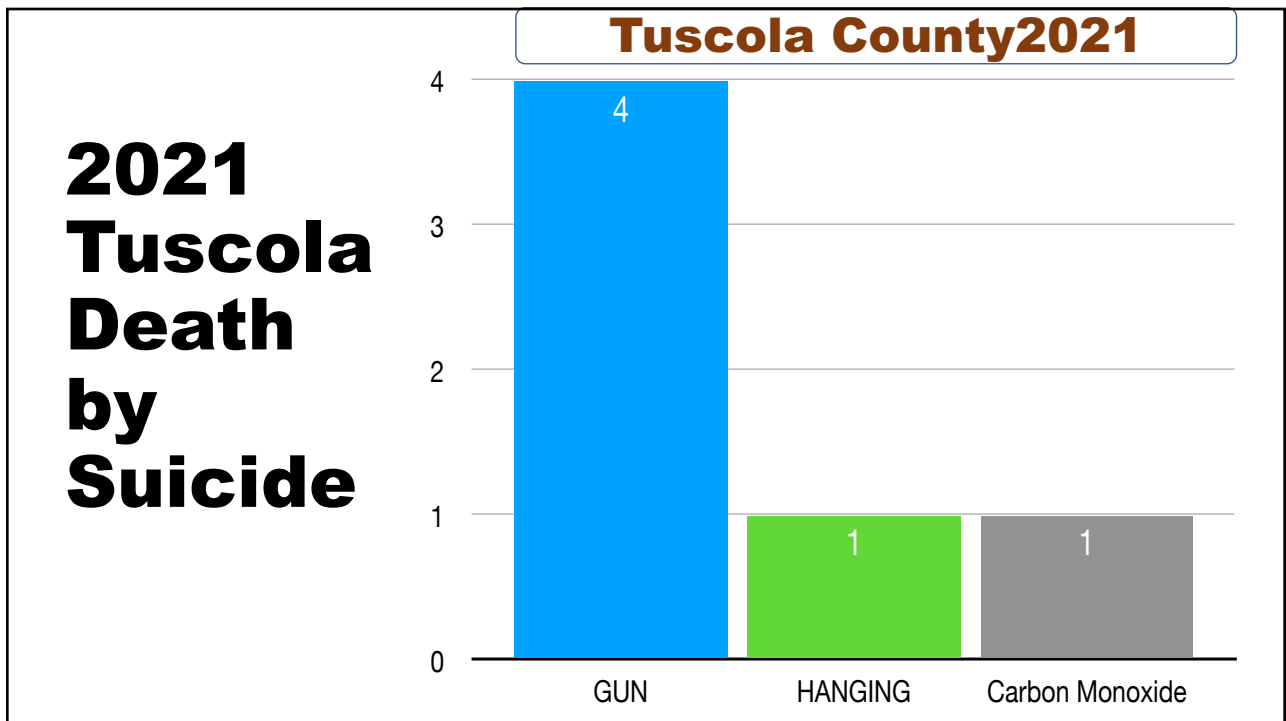
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## SUICIDE DEATHS: Cause by Age and Gender

|              | Gun  | Hanging | Gun    | Gun       | Gun     | Carbon Monoxide |
|--------------|------|---------|--------|-----------|---------|-----------------|
| FEMALE       | 0    | 0       | 0      | 0         | 0       | 0               |
| <b>MALE</b>  | 42   | 39      | 46     | 15        | 34      | 65              |
| <b>Month</b> | June | July    | August | September | October | December        |

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If Dr. Morrone schedules time away?  
The County gets 2 weeks notice for substitute

### **Dr. Jaya Sankaran**

- Chief ME in Iosco

### **Dr. Russell Bush**

- Chief ME in Saginaw

### **Dr. Dennis Wagoner**

- Chief ME in Midland

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Tuscola County

Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

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## Out of State Travel Request

1 message

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**Eean Lee** <eean.lee@tuscolacounty.org>  
To: Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

Wed, Jan 19, 2022 at 10:46 AM

Hello Board of Commissioners,

Dell Technologies World is conference of 2022. It's happening May 2 – 5 in Las Vegas. This conference offers the education I need to boost my networking with peers so I can help accelerate our company's growth & development. I'll connect with Dell Technologies experts and engineers, plus technologists from the world's most successful organizations that will take my continue to grow and learn industry best practices to the next level.

Dell Technologies World is a four-day conference where I'll meet some of the brightest minds in our industry, while getting hands-on experience with the latest technologies and learning emerging trends, strategies and solutions from the edge to the core to the cloud. I'll also have access to 150+ sessions, labs, free technical certification exams and an immersive Solutions Expo featuring the companies, partners and sponsors that are part of the Dell Technologies community. This is the best opportunity for me to gain real insights and practical next steps to move our County into the digital future.

At the conference it is my goal to find solutions and best practices to harden our security posture, as well as speak with others on their remote work solutions.

As I have attended this conference in the past, I can attest to the wealth of knowledge that is gained from this event. Solutions I have applied in the past were learned in this environment.

Thank you.

**Eean Lee**

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Tuscola County  
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| Election Programming Fee Schedule - Requested Stipend |                |                         |                         |                                       |                |                         |                |                                       |                              |                         |                |                                       |                |                         |                      |                         |  |
|---|----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--|
| County Billing November 2020                          |                |                         | County Clerk Programmed |                                       |                | If Vendor Programmed    |                |                                       | County Billing November 2021 |                         |                | County Clerk Programmed               |                |                         | If Vendor Programmed |                         |  |
|   | Cost per Style | Number of Ballot Styles | Cost per Style          | Number of Ballot Styles               | Cost per Style | Number of Ballot Styles | Cost per Style | Number of Ballot Styles               | Cost per Style               | Number of Ballot Styles | Cost per Style | Number of Ballot Styles               | Cost per Style | Number of Ballot Styles | Cost per Style       | Number of Ballot Styles |  |
| ICP   | \$ 300.00      | 45                      | \$ 13,500.00            | 80                                    | \$ 44,000.00   | ICP                     | \$ 300.00      | 4                                     | \$ 1,200.00                  | 4                       | \$ 1,200.00    | 4                                     | \$ 550.00      | 4                       | \$ 2,200.00          |                         |  |
| ICX   | \$ 50.00       | 45                      | \$ 2,250.00             | 80                                    | \$ 4,000.00    | ICX                     | \$ 50.00       | 4                                     | \$ 200.00                    | 4                       | \$ 200.00      | 4                                     | \$ 50.00       | 4                       | \$ 200.00            |                         |  |
|   |                | Grand Total             | \$ 15,750.00            |                                       | \$ 48,000.00   |                         |                | Grand Total                           | \$ 1,400.00                  |                         |                |                                       |                |                         | \$ 2,400.00          |                         |  |
| Stipend to County Clerk                               |                |                         | Requested Stipend       |                                       |                | Stipend to County Clerk |                |                                       | Requested Stipend            |                         |                |                                       |                |                         |                      |                         |  |
|   |                |                         | \$ 2,000.00             |                                       |                | ICP                     | \$ 85.00       | 4                                     | \$ 340.00                    |                         |                |                                       |                |                         | \$ 0.00              |                         |  |
|   |                |                         |                         |                                       |                | ICX                     | \$ 15.00       | 4                                     | \$ 60.00                     |                         |                |                                       |                |                         |                      |                         |  |
|   |                | Grand Total             | \$ 2,000.00             |                                       |                |                         |                | Grand Total                           | \$ 400.00                    |                         |                |                                       |                |                         |                      |                         |  |
| Amount of Revenue Generated to County                 |                |                         | \$ 13,750.00            | Amount of Revenue Generated to County |                |                         | \$ 50.00       | Amount of Revenue Generated to County |                              |                         | \$ 1,000.00    | Amount of Revenue Generated to County |                |                         | \$ 0.00              |                         |  |

Requested for a Stipend for Performing Election Programming Duties which are outside of the County Clerk's Role but is in the best interest of the County and the Jurisdictions participating in the election

**REQUEST:** 15 or less ballot styles in one election paid per precinct at \$85.00 for ICP programming and \$15.00 for ICX programming 16 or more ballot styles in one election paid at a flat \$2,000.00. This would mirror what Sanilac County has in place



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6506 Main Street  
Cass City, MI 48726

*January 11, 2022*

*Tuscola County  
c/o Clayette Zechmeister - Controller  
125 W. Lincoln Street  
Caro, Michigan 48723*

*Re: Transfers of Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificates*

*Dear Ms. Zechmeister,*

*The Village of Cass City has been working with MI-Tech Tooling on the Village's consideration of approval of the Transfer of Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificates (Tax Abatement previously approved) to its new property located at 4260 Doerr Road. MI-Tech Tooling is currently located at 6215 Garfield in Cass City, MI.*

*Notice is given that on Monday January 31, 2022 at 6:05 p.m., a public hearing will be held regarding the Transfer of Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificates (Tax Abatement previously approved). A copy of the public notice is enclosed.*

*Since the tax collected for Tuscola County may be affected, if approved, a representative of Tuscola County is entitled to appear and to be heard.*

*Debbie Powell  
Village Manager*

*enc.*

# PUBLIC NOTICE

## Public Hearing on the Approval of Transfers of Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificates requested by MI-Tech Tooling

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, January 31, 2022 at 6:05 pm, a public hearing will be held before the Cass City Village Council pursuant to Act 198 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1974, as amended for the approval of the transfers of Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificates previously approved for MI-Tech Tooling from the following current property:

Land situated in the Village of Cass City, Township of Elkland, County of Tuscola and State of Michigan:

**Parcel 1:** Commencing at a point that is 528 feet South along the North and South quarter line and 450.08 feet North 89 degrees 43 minutes East and North 1 degrees 08 minutes East 305 feet from the Northwest corner of the South half of the Northeast quarter of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 East, and the point of beginning; thence North 89 degrees 43 minutes East 160 feet; thence North 1 degrees 08 minutes East 223 feet; thence South 89 degrees 43 minutes West 160 feet to a point due North of the Point of Beginning; thence South 223 feet to the point of beginning.

**Parcel 2:** Commencing at a point that is 528 feet South along the North and South quarter line and 450.08 feet North 89 degrees 43 minutes East of the Northwest corner of the South half of the Northeast quarter of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range II East, running thence North I degrees 08 minutes East 305 feet; thence North 89 degrees 43 minutes East 160 feet; thence South 1 degrees 08 minutes West 305 feet; thence South 89 degrees 43 minutes West 160 feet to the point of beginning excepting therefrom the South 33 feet thereof which is the North half of Garfield Avenue in said Village of Cass City.

### **To be transferred to the new location property also in the Village of Cass City:**

A parcel of land being in and a part of the Southwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 33, Town 14 North, Range 11 East described as: Commencing at the North quarter corner of said Section 33; thence South 01 degrees 53 minutes 24 seconds East along the North-South quarter line of said Section 33, 1322.55 feet; thence North 87 degrees 50 minutes 37 seconds East along the North one-eighth line of said Section 33, 297.0 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 87 degrees 50 minutes 37 seconds East along the North one-eighth line of said Section 33, 163.62 feet; thence South 0 degrees 44 minutes 44 seconds East, 495.74 feet; thence South 87 degrees 41 minutes 37 seconds West parallel with the East-West line of said Section 33, 417.73 feet; thence North 01 degrees 53 minutes 24 seconds West along the Easterly right-of-way of Doerr Road and parallel with the North-South quarter line of said Section 33, 331.69 feet; thence North 87 degrees 50 minutes 37 seconds East parallel with the North one-eighth line of said Section 33, 264.0 feet; thence North 01 degrees 53 minutes 24 seconds West parallel with the North-South quarter line of said Section 33, 165.0 feet to the point of beginning.

The owners of property, together with any other residents or taxpayers of the Village of Cass City, and others shall have the right to appear and to be heard.

Nanette Walsh  
Clerk/Treasurer

January 6, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board was held in their offices at 1733 S. Mertz Rd., Caro, Michigan on Thursday, January 6, 2022 at 8:00 A.M.

Present: Road Commissioners John Laurie, Gary Parsell, Julie Matuszak, David Kennard, and Duane Weber; Acting County Highway Engineer Brent Dankert (via telephone), Operations Engineer Will Green, Superintendent/Operations Manager Jason Root, and Director of Finance/Secretary-Clerk Michael Tuckey.

Secretary-Clerk Michael Tuckey called the meeting to order.

Nominations were opened for Chairman of the Board.

John Laurie was nominated by Gary Parsell and seconded by Julie Matuszak.

John Laurie was unanimously elected.

Secretary-Clerk Michael Tuckey turned the meeting over to Chairman Laurie.

Nominations were opened for Vice-Chairman of the Board.

Gary Parsell was nominated by Julie Matuszak and seconded by David Kennard.

Gary Parsell was unanimously elected.

Motion by Weber seconded by Matuszak that the minutes of the December 22, 2021 regular meeting of the Board be approved. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Payroll in the amount of \$135,065.56 and bills in the amount of \$351,770.37 covered by vouchers #2021-67, #2022-01, and #2022-02 were presented and audited.

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

Brief Public Comment Segment:

None.

Acting County Highway Engineer Dankert provided to the Board an update regarding a recent meeting with Thumb Electric and other representatives regarding the upcoming Fiber Network Projects throughout Tuscola County.

At 8:15 A.M. the following bids were opened for 2022 Cold Patch:

| <u>Bidder</u>              | <u>Specified Material</u> | <u>Price</u>   |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| Unique Paving Materials    | UPM                       | \$ 98.85 p/ton |
| Lakeland Asphalt Corp.     | BMP-7                     | 94.00 p/ton    |
| Ace-Saginaw Paving Company | QPR                       | 94.00 p/ton    |

Motion by Parsell seconded by Kennard that the bids for 2022 Cold Patch be accepted, reviewed by Management, and tabled until the next regular meeting of the Board. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

At 8:30 A.M. the following bids were opened for 2022 Portland Cement Concrete:

| <u>Bidder</u>         | <u>Concrete-3500</u> | <u>Concrete-4500</u> | <u>Cement</u>       |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Rock Products Company | \$124.23 / cyd       | \$128.75 / cyd       | \$17.00 per 94 lbs. |
| R & R Ready Mix, Inc. | \$126.00 / cyd       | \$130.00 / cyd       | \$15.00 per 94 lbs. |

Motion by Parsell seconded by Weber that the bids for 2022 Portland Cement Concrete be accepted, reviewed by Management, and tabled until the next regular meeting of the Board. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie -- Motion Carried.

Motion by Gary Parsell seconded by Julie Matuszak that the following resolution be adopted:

### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Acting County Highway Engineer of the Tuscola County Road Commission has reviewed the 2021 Michigan Department of Transportation Road Certification Maps for Tuscola County, and

WHEREAS, upon review there are changes and/or corrections.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Tuscola County Board of Road Commissioners approve Operations Engineer Will Green to electronically sign the 2021 Michigan Department of Transportation Road Certification Maps for Tuscola County with the changes and/or corrections.

Ayes: John Laurie, Gary Parsell, Julie Matuszak, David Kennard, Duane Weber  
Nays: None

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Weber to recognize Turner Road in Dayton Township as a County Certified Public Road of Tuscola County. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Kennard seconded by Weber that the Tuscola County Road Commission mileage reimbursement rate be increased to the I.R.S. approved rate of \$.585 cents per mile effective January 1, 2022. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Weber to approve that Joshua Swalwell fill the vacant Heavy Equipment Operator position at the Deford Division effective January 17, 2022, as recommended by Management. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Weber seconded by Matuszak that the Road Commission internally post to fill one (1) vacant Light Equipment Operator position at the Deford Division. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Kennard seconded by Parsell to accept the resignation from Heavy Equipment Operator Linal Baur. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Motion by Matuszak seconded by Weber that the Road Commission internally post to fill two (2) vacant Heavy Equipment Operator positions at the Akron Division. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

At 8:45 A.M. the following bids were opened for 2022 Liquid Calcium Chloride:

| <u>Bidder</u>  | <u>Continuous</u>                        | <u>Intermittent</u>                      | <u>TCRC Pick Up</u>                     |
|--|--|--|---|
| Liquid Calcium Chloride Sales<br>Wilkinson Solutions, LLC<br>Michigan Chloride Sales | \$ .587 p/gal<br>alternate bid<br>no bid | \$ .597 p/gal<br>alternate bid<br>no bid | \$ .49 p/gal<br>alternate bid<br>no bid |

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the bids for 2022 Liquid Calcium Chloride be accepted and awarded to Liquid Calcium Chloride Sales. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Management and the Board discussed the Covid-19 Pandemic. Director of Finance Michael Tuckey discussed with the Board the current trends and guidelines, as well as the recommendations from the Road Commission's Labor Attorney. After discussion, the following motion was introduced:

Motion by Kennard seconded by Matuszak that Management update the Tuscola County Road Commission's Covid-19 Preparedness and Response Plan given the recent updated guidelines. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

Operations Engineer Green provided to the Board an update regarding current road and bridge construction projects.

Motion by Parsell seconded by Matuszak that the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 A.M. Weber, Kennard, Matuszak, Parsell, Laurie --- Motion Carried.

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Chairman

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Secretary-Clerk of the Board





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06 January 2022

Nolan Swick, GS-14, DAF  
National Environmental Policy Act Division  
Air Force Civil Engineer Center  
2261 Hughes Avenue, Suite 155  
JBSA Lackland, TX 78236-9853

**MEMORANDUM FOR** Federal, State, and Local Public Agencies  
Interested Parties  
Members of the Public

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Foreign Military Sales (FMS) Pilot Training Center (PTC) Beddown at Ebbing Air National Guard Base (ANGB), Arkansas, or Selfridge ANGB, Michigan

**Notice of Public Meetings**

Pursuant to the *National Environmental Policy Act of 1969* (NEPA), as amended, the *Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA*, and the United States Department of the Air Force (DAF) procedures for implementing NEPA (32 Code of Federal Regulations Part 989, *Environmental Impact Analysis Process*), the DAF intends to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed beddown of a Foreign Military Sales (FMS) Pilot Training Center (PTC). The DAF is the lead agency, while the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has been invited to be a cooperating agency for this action; as such, FAA Order 1050.1f, *Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures*, also applies to this action. Alternative locations under consideration for the beddown include Ebbing Air National Guard Base (ANGB) located in Fort Smith, Arkansas, and Selfridge ANGB, located in Harrison Township, Michigan, near Mount Clemens (see enclosure 1). The Air Force proposes to beddown the FMS PTC, composed of up to 16 F-16 aircraft of the Republic of Singapore Air Force and up to 36 F-35 aircraft. The FMS mission will operate under the direction of the Air Force Air Education and Training Command.



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The purpose of the Proposed Action is to establish a permanent FMS PTC, initially providing beddown of up to 36 F-35 aircraft, at a single location within the continental United States. The Proposed Action is needed to provide a centralized location for training and pilot production associated with FMS. Multiple nations have agreements with the DAF to purchase F-35 aircraft. This drives the need for a location suitable for initial F-35 training before returning to their home country. The Republic of Singapore is among the nations purchasing F-35s and plans to keep some of their aircraft in the U.S. for an indefinite period of time. Additionally, the Republic of Singapore would relocate 16 F-16s from Luke Air Force Base, Arizona, to the FMS PTC location. The DAF will evaluate implementation of the Proposed Action at either Ebbing ANGB (Fort Smith), Arkansas, or Selfridge ANGB, Michigan. The current missions at each of these locations would not be degraded. At Ebbing ANGB, F-16 operations support infrastructure is already in place and available with minimal refurbishment. At Selfridge ANGB, F-16 operations support would be able to use existing facilities after modifications and refurbishments. For either location, a new F-35 simulator training facility would need to be constructed. Flight training at either location would occur within the respective airspace; no changes to existing airspace are proposed.

For the Ebbing ANGB alternative, the primary airspace that would be used is Hog Military Operations Area (MOA) and Shirley MOA (see enclosure 2). To enhance missions by flying at higher altitudes in Hog and Shirley MOAs, a corridor between the two airspaces, called the “Pig Path,” may be requested 24 hours prior to use. Chaff and flares are authorized in Hog and Shirley MOAs, and supersonic flight is authorized above flight level (FL) 300 (30,000 feet).

For the Selfridge ANGB alternative, flight training would primarily use the Michigan Air National Guard Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center airspace (see enclosure 3). The airspace includes Steelhead, Pike East, Pike West, and Grayling (temporary) MOAs; two range complexes (R-4201A/B and R-4207); and numerous air-to-air refueling tracks. Expenditure of chaff and flares, supersonic speeds above FL300 or in accordance with Federal Aviation Administration Regulations and Air Force instructions for over water operations are authorized depending on the area.

Table 1 lists the proposed arrival and departure of the F-35 and F-16 aircraft for the countries of Poland, Finland, Singapore, United Arab Emirates, and Switzerland. All the dates presented are for calendar years.

**Table 1. Notional Foreign Military Sales Aircraft Schedule**

| <b>Quantity of Aircraft</b> | <b>Type of Aircraft</b> | <b>Arrival</b> | <b>Departure</b> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 12                          | F-16D                   | June 2023      | Indefinite       |
| 8                           | F-35A                   | July 2024      | March 2027       |
| 6                           | F-35A                   | June 2025      | August 2026      |
| 4                           | F-35B                   | 2026           | Indefinite       |
| 10                          | F-35A                   | November 2026  | March 2029       |
| 6                           | F-35A                   | 2028           | 2030             |
| 8                           | F-35B                   | 2030           | Indefinite       |



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Each alternative would involve a combination of several hundred thousand square feet of facility renovation and new construction within the developed portion of the respective installation, as well as the addition of approximately 384 military and civilian personnel and approximately 801 associated dependents.

Additional information about the FMS PTC beddown EIS may be found on the Internet at <http://www.FMSPTCEIS.com>.

### **Scoping Process**

The DAF will publish a Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS in the Federal Register on January 14, 2022, initiating the public involvement process. The public scoping period for this EIS is from January 14, 2022, through February 14, 2022. Fact sheets and other information regarding the NEPA and scoping process for the Proposed Action will be made available at the following website beginning on January 14, 2022: <http://www.FMSPTCEIS.com>.

Public scoping is an early and open process for identifying and determining the scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Scoping begins with this notice and continues through the conclusion of the public comment period. Once the scoping process is complete, the DAF will prepare a Draft EIS. When complete, the DAF will publish a Federal Register notice announcing public availability of the Draft EIS (if you want that notice to be sent to you, please contact the DAF project manager identified below). You will have an opportunity to review and comment on the Draft EIS. The DAF and other appropriate cooperating agencies will consider the received comments and prepare the Final EIS. As with the Draft EIS, we will announce the availability of the Final EIS and give you an opportunity for review and comment before a Record of Decision is announced.

### **Virtual Public Meetings and Virtual Open House and Q&A**

The DAF will hold the following VIRTUAL public meetings to solicit comments regarding the Proposed Action:

- Tuesday, February 1, 2022: 6 pm – 8 pm (Central)
- Thursday, February 3, 2022: 6 pm – 8 pm (Central)

To register to attend a virtual public meeting and sign up to provide a verbal comment, visit [www.FMSPTCEIS.com](http://www.FMSPTCEIS.com). Meeting links and instructions will be distributed after registering and prior to all virtual public meetings. All public scoping meetings can be accessed by phone at 1-877-853-5247; meeting ID: 814 7750 7399; meeting password: 36126569.

The meetings will begin with a brief welcome message followed by a 15-minute DAF presentation describing the purpose of the scoping meetings, project schedule, opportunities for public involvement, Proposed Action and alternatives summary, and discussion of resources to



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be analyzed. A 15-minute technical presentation regarding each alternative will then be provided. After the formal presentations, there will be a 30-minute live question-and-answer session to ask technical questions of the panel presenters. After the technical presentations and question-and-answer session, the official scoping comment submission portion of the meetings will begin. The scoping comment submission session will be 55 minutes, where members of the public are provided 3 minutes each to comment.

We encourage you to visit the informational website at <http://www.FMSPTCEIS.com> and attend one or both of the virtual public scoping meetings to learn about, and comment on, the Proposed Action. You will have the opportunity to verbally submit comments during the virtual public meetings. This is an opportunity to comment on the scope and significance of the Proposed Action that should be addressed in the EIS.

In order to allow everyone a chance to speak at the virtual public meetings, we may limit speaker time, extend the meeting hours, or both. You must identify yourself, and any organization you represent, by name. Your remarks will be recorded and/or transcribed for inclusion in the administrative record. If you plan to attend one of the virtual public meetings and need special assistance such as sign language interpretation, non-English language translator services, or other reasonable accommodation, please notify the DAF representative identified below at least 7 business days in advance of the virtual public meeting. Please include your contact information as well as information about your specific needs.

### **Request for Comments**

We request public comment on this proposal. The comments may relate to, but are not limited to, the environmental impact of the Proposed Action. All comments will be accepted. The virtual public meetings are not the only opportunity you have to comment on the Proposed Action. In addition to, or in place of, attending one of the virtual meetings, you may submit comments during the public scoping period on the website (<http://www.FMSPTCEIS.com>) or via U.S. mail directly to the DAF representative identified below. Though comments will be accepted at different times throughout the NEPA process, please provide your scoping comments no later than February 14, 2022, to ensure consideration in the Draft EIS. We will consider all comments and material received during the 30-day scoping period.

Public comment submissions should include:

- Your name and address/email

Submit comments or material using only one of the following methods:



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- Electronically (preferred for processing) at the project website (<http://www.FMSPTCEIS.com>)
- By U.S. mail to: FMS PTC EIS Project Manager, AFCEC/CZN, 2261 Hughes Avenue, Suite 155, JBSA Lackland, TX 78236-9853
- FedEx and UPS Deliveries: FMS PTC EIS Project Manager, AFCEC/CZN, 3515 S General McMullen, Suite 155, San Antonio, TX 78226-2018

Mailed submissions must be unbound, on paper no larger than 8 ½ by 11 inches, and suitable for copying and electronic scanning. The format of electronic submissions should also be no larger than 8 ½ by 11 inches. For a mailed confirmation of your submissions, please include a stamped, self-addressed post card or envelope.

Regardless of the method used for submitting comments, all submissions will be posted without change to the project website (<http://www.FMSPTCEIS.com>) and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information to the website makes it public. You may wish to read the "Privacy and Use Notice" that is available on the project website.

The material presented at the public meetings, received comments, and associated documentation, as well as the Draft and Final EISs (when published) will be made available for viewing at <http://www.FMSPTCEIS.com>.

For further information, please contact the FMS PTC EIS project manager at the address above.

Sincerely,

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NOLAN T. SWICK, GS-14, DAF  
Chief, AFCEC NEPA Division

**Enclosures:**

- Enclosure 1 – Location of Proposed Action Alternatives
- Enclosure 2 – Ebbing ANGB Airspace Map
- Enclosure 3 – Selfridge ANGB Airspace Map



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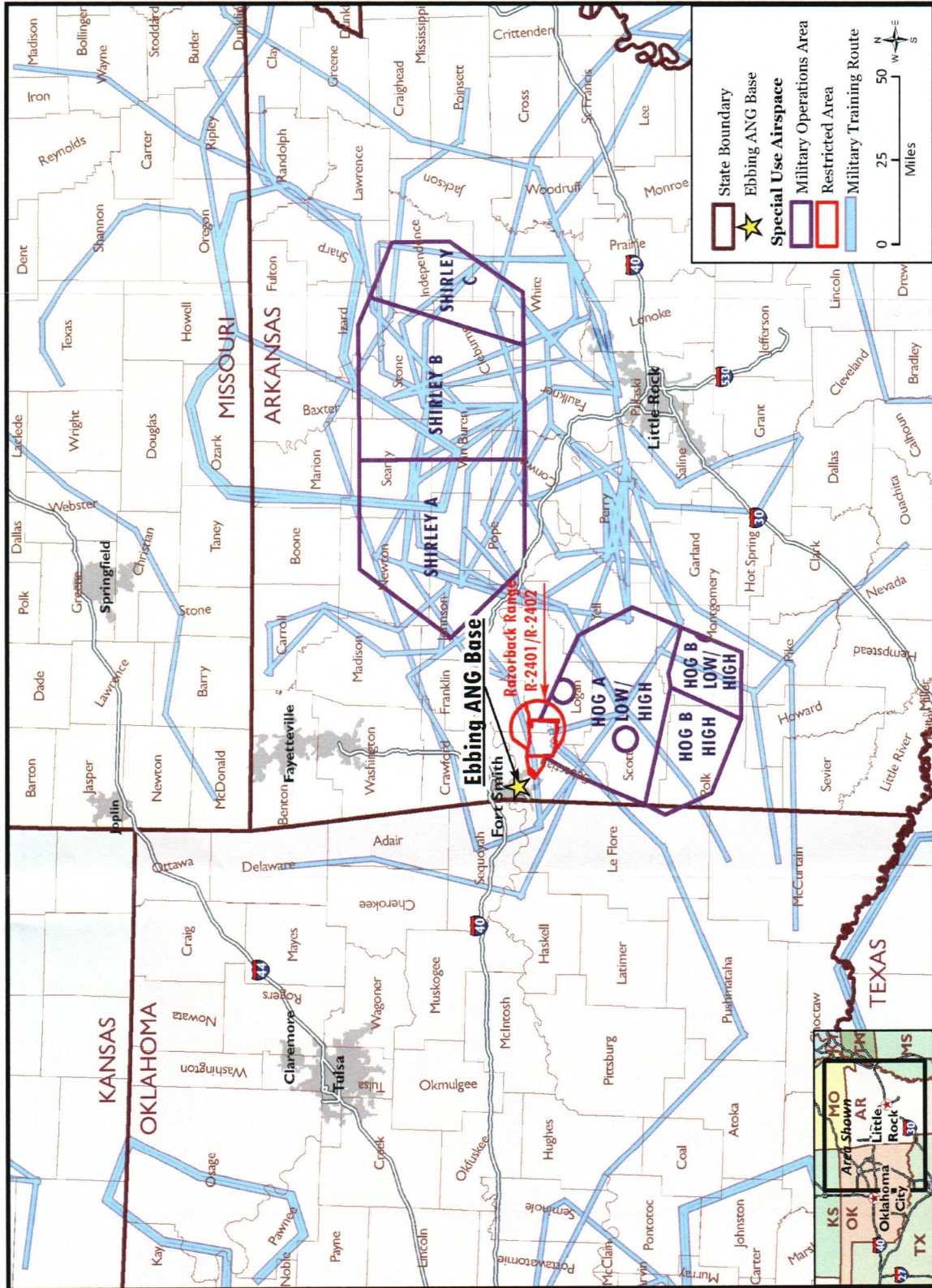
**ENCLOSURE 1**  
**Location of Proposed Action Alternatives**





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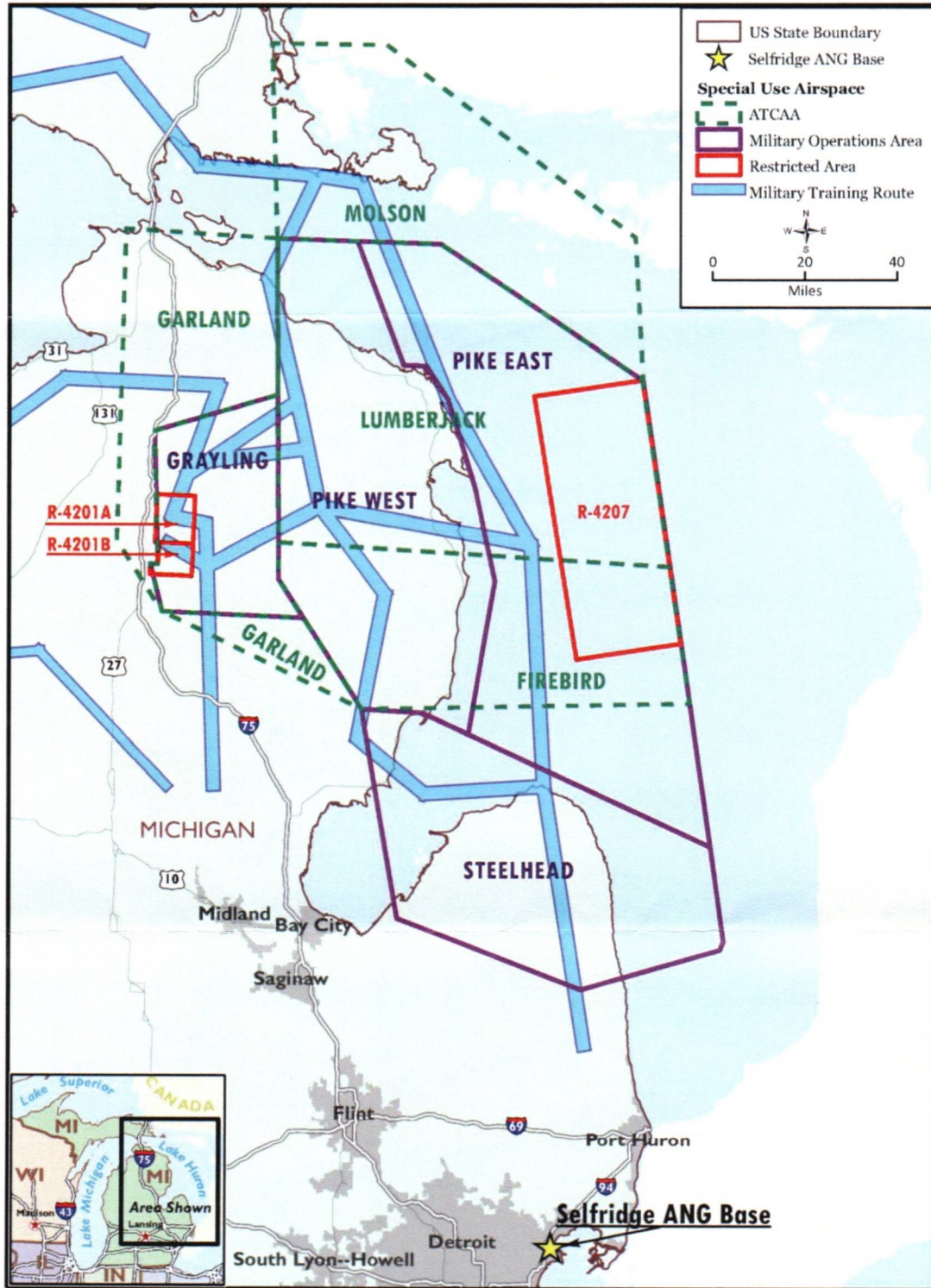
**ENCLOSURE 2**  
**Ebbing ANGB Airspace Map**





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ENCLOSURE 3  
Selfridge ANGB Airspace Map







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**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CAUSE OF PROTECTING  
DEMOCRACY, PROMOTING POLICIES THAT PROTECT  
ACCESS TO THE BALLOT FOR VOTERS AND BUILDING ON  
THE PROGRESS OF THE 2020 ELECTIONS**

**WHEREAS**, access to voting and participation in free, fair and secure elections is fundamental to our system of governance; and

**WHEREAS**, Michigan's election security protocols are among the strongest in the nation. Robust voter-ID laws prevent or intercept fraudulent attempts to impersonate voters. Multiple security checks bolster our absentee voting process. And gold-standard paper balloting ensures all our election outcomes can be verified; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, Michigan voters overwhelmingly supported amending the constitution to expand voting rights, make it easier to register and easier to vote, by the following percentages of votes cast on Proposition 3: 68% support among Marquette County voters and 67% Statewide; and

**WHEREAS**, restricting voting rights and undermining the fair, nonpartisan administration of elections is harmful to all communities, but disproportionately impacts (already marginalized) voters of color, lower-income communities, the elderly, as well as disabled voters; and

**WHEREAS**, in recent months, state legislatures, including Michigan's, have introduced dozens of bills that essentially restrict access to voting, make election administration and oversight less equitable and efficient, and undermine existing laws that maintain election security and ensure nonpartisan counting and certification of votes; and

**WHEREAS**, elections in Michigan have been conducted safely and securely and without any significant fraud, up to and including the 2020 election, as the Senate Oversight Committee Report concluded; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2021, the Secretary of State unveiled a legislative agenda that would improve access to voting whether early, absentee, or in-person; expedite absentee ballot processing; and make voting more convenient, demanding that every valid vote is counted and accurate election outcomes upheld;

**Now, therefore, be it RESOLVED** that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners on this eighteen day of January, 2022 strongly supports policies that **expand and protect equitable access to voting and that strengthen and sustain a robust election infrastructure**, including both material and human resources:

- Make Election Day a state holiday to facilitate voting and make it easier for citizens to serve as election workers;


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- Allow overseas service members and spouses to return their ballots electronically;
- Earmark sufficient funding for elections to recruit, train and retain needed election workers, to add sufficient election equipment such as secure drop boxes and tabulators, and to support voters with disabilities;
- Allow the processing of Absentee Ballots and Establish Early In-Person voting the weekend prior to Election Day;
- Any rule governing the mailing of absentee ballot applications to registered voters by state or local election administrators should apply equally to all other organizations, including nonpartisan voter engagement groups and political parties;
- Mandate the same training standards for election workers and election challengers.

The Board urges the Michigan House, Senate and Governor Whitmer to take immediate and long-term action to support the goal of preserving democracy, ensuring access to voting, and continuing to promote the integrity, security, and fairness of all elections throughout the State of Michigan; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners strongly opposes all legislation or other efforts that would restrict access to the ballot, undermine the nonpartisan, fair and efficient administration of elections; and restrict voting rights; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Office of the Secretary of State, the Governor's Offices in Lansing and Northern Michigan, and the members of the Upper Peninsula delegation to the Michigan State Legislature.

  
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**Gerald O. Corkin, Chairperson**  
**County Board of Commissioners**

**Dated: January 18, 2022**