

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
September 22, 2009 Minutes
Courthouse Annex

Chairman Gerald Peterson called the meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the Arbela Township Hall, Millington, Michigan, on the 22nd day of September, 2009 to order at 6:06 p.m. local time.

Prayer by Commissioner Peterson
Pledge by Commissioner Bardwell

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

District #2 Thomas Bardwell, District #4 Roy Petzold, District #5 Gerald Peterson

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

District #1 Amanda Roggenbuck, District #3 Tom Kern

09-M-214

Motion by Bardwell seconded by Petzold to adopt the agenda as amended.
Motion carried.

09-M-215

Motion by Bardwell seconded by Petzold to approve the minutes of the 9/8/09 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Brief Public Comment – Patricia McMullen appeared to register her dissatisfaction with Mosquito Abatement

09-M-216

It was moved by Bardwell and supported by Petzold that the following Consent Agenda Resolution be adopted:

CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Reference:	A
Entity Proposing:	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 9/10/09
Description of Matter:	Motion to approve having the Equalization Director draft a letter to Mr. Root at the Center for Shared Solutions & Technology to express Tuscola County's interest in the aerial photography program with no commitment for purchasing at this time.
Agenda Reference:	B
Entity Proposing:	COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 9/10/09

Description of Matter: Motion to approve sending to Lansing the MAC Resolution supporting adequate state funding to hold counties harmless from the Department of Human Services lawsuit settlement agreement.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that any motion, resolution, or other act of Tuscola inconsistent with this Resolution is hereby rescinded, modified, replaced or superseded by this Resolution.

YEAS: all

NAYS: none

ABSTENTIONS: none

09-M-217

Motion by Bardwell seconded by Petzold to amend motion 09-M-212 to appoint the chairman of the Board of Commissioners as the individual responsible for coordinating the efforts of the board along with the Human Resource Director to complete the evaluation of Mr. Hoagland in terms of the instrument to be used, the process and timeline. Motion carried.

09-M-218

Motion by Petzold seconded by Bardwell to approve the 2010 agreement between Tuscola County and Arbela Township for the County Sheriff Department to provide police services to Arbela Township per the terms of the agreement and authorize all necessary signatures. Motion carried.

09-M-219

Motion by Petzold seconded by Bardwell to authorize the transfer of \$124,285.55 in Primary Road Millage funds from the Voted Primary Road Millage Fund to the Road Commission Fund per voucher #05-09 (September 17, 2009). Motion carried.

09-M-220

Motion by Petzold seconded by Bardwell to authorize the transfer of \$82,832.02 in Bridge Millage funds from the Voted Bridge Millage Fund to the Road Commission Fund per voucher #05-09 (September 21, 2009). Motion carried.

09-M-221

Motion by Bardwell seconded by Petzold that the County Clerk is authorized to advertise to begin the process to fill vacant and expiring positions on Boards and Commissions. Motion carried.

Discussion of Possible 3-Year Dog Licensing - Mary Warren presented the board with a statute that allow townships to issue dog licenses. Diane Jones from Millington Twp selling dog license for 26 years. At one time, Diane was selling licenses county-wide and was told by the Treasurer she could only sell licenses in Millington Twp. Both Mrs. Warren and Mrs. Jones are not in favor of a 3-year program Arbela Twp treasurer Jody Hunt spoke in favor of twps selling dog licenses as a service to the residents. Peggy Metro stated a 3-yr license could be a hardship for residents who have 2 or 3 dogs. Sharon Keinath Mill treasurer is in support of the twps continuing to sell licenses

09-M-222

Motion by Bardwell seconded by Petzold that Perfection Construction, a Tuscola County business, be awarded the bid to make the necessary repairs to the Recycling Storage Building to gain compliance with building codes as determined by the SCMCCI Building Inspector (Curtis Stowe). Perfection Construction was the next low bidder for amount of \$7,250. Also, appropriate budget adjustments be made to the recycling budget to account for this expenditure. Motion carried

09-M-223

Motion by Petzold seconded by Bardwell to request the firm of Giarmarco, Mullins & Horton to add tuscola county to the class action lawsuit filed in Genesee County against Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan to recover damages for "Access Fees" that were charged to Tuscola County without an amount disclosed by Blue Cross/Blue Shield and to authorize the chairman to sign all necessary documents and agreements. Motion carried.

Arbela Township Supervisor Joe White has heard a lot of controversy regarding the mosquito issue in Arbela Township due to change in directors. The residents don't feel they've received their fair share.

He would like the county board help reinforce strong local government. Government closer to the people is more effective.

Comment from unidentified speaker regarding Mosquito Abatement: if it's not broke don't fix it. Utilizing personal resources to eliminate mosquitoes.

Lana Martell – is allergic to mosquitoes and has been sprayed twice. She wouldn't vote for it

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m., until 8 a.m., October 13, 2009.

Margie White-Cormier
Tuscola County Clerk