

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
May 30, 2013 Minutes
H. H. Purdy Building

Chairman Thomas Bardwell called the meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, Michigan, held at the H.H. Purdy Building in the City of Caro, Michigan, on the 30th day of May, 2013 to order at 7:00 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer by Commissioner Trisch
Pledge by Commissioner Bardwell

Commissioners Present: District 2 – Thomas Bardwell, District 3 – Christine Trisch, District 4 – Craig Kirkpatrick, District 5 – Matthew Bierlein

Commissioner Absent: District 1 – Roger Allen

Also Present: Mike Hoagland, Jodi Fetting, Mary Drier, Mike Miller, Richard Colopy, Kim Green, Steve Erickson, Jim McClosky, Lou Smallwood, Gary Rolka, Tisha Jones, Margot Roedel, Maggie Root, Clayette Zechmeister, Bob Klenk

13-M-111

Motion by Trisch seconded by Bierlein to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion Carried.

13-M-112

Motion by Trisch seconded by Kirkpatrick to adopt the meeting minutes from the May 14, 2013 meeting. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period –

Gary Rolka – Requested an update regarding Camp Tuscola.

Consent Agenda Resolution – None

New Business -

Steve Erickson presented an opportunity for the Thumb area (Huron, Tuscola and Sanilac counties) to be able to become a separate district within the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. Steve requested the Board to support a resolution toward this approach.

13-M-113

Motioned by Trisch seconded by Bierlein to adopt the resolution as written by Steve Erickson, EDC Director, to support becoming a 3-county region within the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. Motion Carried.

Mosquito Abatement Update – Kim Green provided an update regarding their proactive plan for mosquito control.

13-M-114

Motioned by Kirkpatrick seconded by Trisch that due to the dramatic increase in mosquito populations, Mosquito Abatement be authorized to increase the program from 6-days to 7-days per week for backyard and roadside treatment with the objective of trying to provide some additional relief from this massive mosquito outbreak due to weather conditions. Also, if necessary, 2013 Mosquito Abatement budget amendments are authorized. Commissioner Bardwell opposed due to Sunday workday. Motion Carried.

Margot Roedel provided an update regarding the Medical Care Facility Small House Project.

Jail Hot Water C-Wing – Mike Miller and Sheriff Teschendorf

13-M-115

Motioned by Bierlein seconded by Kirkpatrick that the 2013 Jail Bed Addition project budget be increased by \$4,572 to provide for the purchase of a hot water heater to meet the capacity needs of the five bed jail expansion in the C-Wing. Commissioner Trisch opposed. Motioned Carried.

Off Road Vehicle Ordinance Update – Matter tabled for further discussion regarding the age requirement and open vs. closed roads.

Recessed at 8:36 a.m.

Reconvened at 8:42 a.m.

State Revenue Sharing Update – Mike Hoagland is leading the charge in trying to obtain state revenue sharing.

Sheriff Proposed Union Contract Changes – Tabled as the County Attorney and the Union are still working on the details.

2013 Budget Amendments – Clayette Zechmeister explained the amendments that are needed to be made to the budget.

13-M-116

Motioned by Trisch seconded by Kirkpatrick that the 2013 general fund and special revenue fund budget amendments as recommended and presented by the Controller and Chief Accountant be authorized for implementation. Motion Carried.

Vassar Rental Rehabilitation Pre-Application – Tabled for next meeting.

Tax Capture Districts – Mike Hoagland provided an explanation of DDA Capture of County Tax Revenue.

13-M-117

Motioned by Trisch seconded by Bierlein that the letter to the editor be authorized to be sent to the Tuscola County Advertiser explaining the financial ramifications of tax capture districts and their impacts in diverting revenues earmarked for public approved special purpose millage funds. Motion Carried.

Victim Services Request on behalf of Diane Santhany – The Victim Services Grant has changed regarding grant coverage of postage/supplies and telephone for this department.

13-M-118

Motioned by Trisch seconded by Bierlein that per the request of the Victim Services Coordinator that the Victim Services Fund Budget be amended by \$200 for postage/supplies and \$400 for telephone through the use of general fund contingency transfer for the 2013 year. Motion Carried.

Discussion of Rescheduling June 11, 2013 Board Meeting – Meeting to remain scheduled for June 11, 2013 at 7:30 a.m.

Old Business

Digital Parcel Mapping – Mike Hoagland and Walt Schlichting are working on MAC 7th District – June 17, 2013 at the Franklin Inn, Bad Axe
Dan Skiver – Working on Health Care Coverage Proposals

Correspondence/Resolutions –

- Other counties in the state have provided resolutions that have recently passed.
- Region VI Area on Aging Annual Report has been received.
- LEAD Tuscola Graduation – June 11, 2013 social hour at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:00 p.m., Tuscola County Tech Center

ALLEN

Dispatch Authority Board
County Road Commission
Board of Public Works
Senior Services Advisory Council
Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee
Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative
Dental Clinic for Indigents
Parks & Recreation
Local Unit of Government Activity Report

BARDWELL

NACo
NACo Rural Action Caucus
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
Caro DDA/TIFA
MAC Economic Development/Taxation
Michigan Association of Counties – Board of Directors
MAC 7th District
Local Unit of Government Activity Report

TRISCH

Board of Health
Human Development Commission (HDC)
TRIAD
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment
Human Services Collaborative Council
Great Start Collaborative
Local Unit of Government Activity Report

KIRKPATRICK

Tuscola InSync – first meeting has been held
Thumb Area Consortium/Michigan Works
Board of Health
Community Corrections Advisory Board
Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison
MI Renewable Energy Coalition
MEMS All Hazards
Cass River Greenways Pathway – Swim/Canoe event planned
Local Unit of Government Activity Report

BIERLEIN

Thumb Area Consortium/Michigan Works
Planning Commission
Behavioral Health Systems Board
Tuscola 2020
Recycling Advisory Committee – Facebook page is updated with collection dates
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
Multi County Solid Waste
Local Unit of Government Activity Report

Closed Session - None

Other Business as Necessary –

Mike Miller requested to bid out lawn care for the locations of 911 Dispatch Center, Health Department and DHS to Thumb Lawn and Snow while an employee is off on sick leave.

13-M-119

Motioned by Trisch seconded Bierlein to allow Mike Miller to hire Thumb Lawn and Snow for lawn maintenance at the 911 Dispatch Center, Health Department and DHS building for the cost of \$200 per service for the current mowing season and authorize all appropriate budget amendments. Motion Carried.

Extended Public Comment –

Sheriff Teschendorf presented a letter to be presented at the Road Commission meeting.

Bob Klenk recognized Deann Summerset and Sandra Neilsen for outstanding services. Also, Michigan Communication Director's Association has become an auxiliary member of MAC.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk