

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
August 1, 2016 Minutes
H. H. Purdy Building

Commissioner 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 1st day of August 2016, to order at 8:09 o'clock a.m. local time.

Prayer – Commissioner Trisch

Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Bierlein

Roll Call – Chief Deputy Clerk Cindy McKinney-Volz

Commissioners Present: District 1 - Thomas Young, District 2 – Thomas Bardwell, District 3 - Christine Trisch, District 4 – Craig Kirkpatrick, District 5 – Matthew Bierlein

Commissioner Absent: None

Also Present: Mike Hoagland, Tisha Jones, Andrew Dietderich, Register Bishop, Mike Miller, Eean Lee, John Sauber, Ann Hepfer, Debra Cook, Tom Gemmell, Gregg Campbell, Chief Deputy Clerk Cindy McKinney-Volz

Adoption of Agenda -

16-M-125

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

Action on Previous Meeting Minutes -

16-M-126

Motion by Trisch, seconded by Young to adopt the meeting minutes from the July 14, 2016 meeting. Motion Carried.

Brief Public Comment Period -

Register Bishop inquired if the land contract with the Medical Care Facility was going to be recorded. If so, it is not recordable in its current format.

Gregg Campbell spoke about the election tomorrow and wind turbines in his township. He is confident that the voice of the people will be heard.

Eean Lee is appreciative of the assistance he is receiving from other departments while his projects are getting implemented.

Consent Agenda Resolution -
16-M-127

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Trisch that the following Consent Agenda Resolution from the July 25, 2016 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adopted.
Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Agenda Reference:** A
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/25/16
- Description of Matter:** Move that the revised Capital Advantage Lease (New County Telephone System) be approved with the change to quarterly instead of monthly lease/purchase payments. Also, all appropriate signatures are authorized.
- Agenda Reference:** B
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/25/16
- Description of Matter:** Move that the July 18, 2016 letter of resignation from Marianne Daily in the County Equalization Department be received and placed on file.
- Agenda Reference:** C
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/25/16
- Description of Matter:** Move that the County hiring freeze be temporarily lifted and authorization be given to post and advertise to refill the vacant appraiser position created by the resignation of Marianne Daily.
- Agenda Reference:** D
- Entity Proposing:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 7/25/16
- Description of Matter:** Move per the request of the Chief Judge to approve the proposal from Dave's Glass LLC for security improvements to certain doors in the Courthouse to control access to parts of the building while also enabling required building entrance and exit ability. Also, the 2016 Capital Improvement Budget be amended by \$5,000 for said security improvements.

*New Business -***-Adjustment to VOIP Telephone Project-**

16-M-128

Motion by Trisch, seconded by Kirkpatrick that \$3,800 be authorized for Expenditure from the telephone line item in the Equipment Fund for wiring installation related to the new VOIP telephone system in the courthouse. Motion Carried.

-Potential Health Department Bonding for Retirement Costs -

16-M-129

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Young that per the recommendation of the Tuscola County Board of Health that the resolution authorizing the insertion of notice of intent of the County of Tuscola to issue pension obligation bonds not to exceed \$4,000,000 be approved. Roll Call Vote - Young - yes; Bardwell - yes; Trisch - yes; Kirkpatrick - yes; Bierlein - yes. Motion Carried.

-Sale of Land to Medical Care Facility-

16-M-130

Motion by Trisch, seconded by Bierlein that the Medical Care Facility offer to Purchase 25 Acres of Real Estate from the county for \$210,000 be approved. Also, the "Offer to Purchase" document be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized. Roll Call Vote - Bardwell - yes; Trisch - yes; Kirkpatrick - yes; Bierlein - yes; Young - yes. Motion Carried.

16-M-131

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Trisch that the "Land Contract" for the Medical Care Facility to purchase 25 Acres Real Estate from the county be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized. Roll Call Vote - Trisch - yes; Kirkpatrick - yes; Bierlein - yes; Young - yes; Bardwell - yes. Motion Carried.

16-M-132

Motion by Bierlein, seconded by Kirkpatrick that the "Agreement Regarding Use of Real Property Pending Construction" document related to the Medical Care Facility purchase of 25 acres from the county be approved and all appropriate signatures are authorized. Roll Call Vote - Kirkpatrick - yes; Bierlein - yes; Young - yes; Bardwell - yes; Trisch - yes. Motion Carried.

16-M-133

Motion by Kirkpatrick, seconded by Young that monies received from the sale of county land to the Medical Care be receipted into the county capital improvement fund. Motion Carried.

-Funding for Senior Fair - Tom Gemmell spoke on the Senior Fair that had occurred in June. There were 82 vendors at the Cass City High School. Mr. Gemmell thanked the Board for their contribution.

-Equalization Director Vacancy - Christine Trisch spoke on the importance of reviewing the pay scale to obtain a qualified director that will stay with the county. Matthew Bierlein is working with Erica Dibble and Walt Schlichting to redo the step plan for the Equalization Director.

Old Business -

Mike Hoagland spoke about the Community Corrections program and the need to get more people involved. The guidelines of the programs make it difficult for some to qualify.

Mike Hoagland reviewed the financial state of the county and revenue sharing.

Mike Hoagland spoke about the Road Commission audit, liabilities, assets, and legacy costs.

CGI will be spending the day with Mike Hoagland on August 3, 2016 filming at approximately 30 different locations.

Correspondence/Resolutions -

Mike Hoagland referred the Board to the email from Clerk Fetting if any of the requested millages do not pass on Tuesday.

The Annual Farm Bureau County Meeting will be on August 18, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

Breakfast on the Farm will be on August 13, 2016. They are expecting about 3,000 people.

MAC has a half-day mini conference on August 16, 2016 in Gaylord.

COMMISSIONER LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORTS

BARDWELL

Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment

Caro DDA/TIFA

MAC Economic Development/Taxation

MAC 7th District

Local Unit of Government Activity Report - Almer and Ellington Townships have several contested seats this election.

TRIAD

Human Services Collaborative Council

Behavioral Health Systems Board - Met on Thursday but Commissioner Bardwell was unable to attend.

BIERLEIN

Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
Human Development Commission (HDC)
Tuscola 2020 - Will be meeting in August.
Recycling Advisory Committee
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
Great Start Collaborative Council
Local Unit of Government Activity Report
Tuscola In-Sync
MAC Board of Directors - Matthew Bierlein will be appointed to sit on the counsel for Indigent Defense.
Human Services Collaborative Council
Region VI Economic Development Planning
MAC Judiciary Committee

TRISCH

Board of Health - Unable to attend.
Planning Commission - Meeting Wednesday night.
Economic Development Corp/Brownfield Redevelopment - Unable to attend
Local Unit of Government Activity Report - Mayville Sunflower Festival was a success. This was the 26th year for the festival, hoping it gets bigger and better every year.
Animal Control
Solid Waste Management - Still working on.

KIRKPATRICK

Board of Health -Increased number of veterans utilizing services.
Community Corrections Advisory Board - Lack of attendees due to specific guidelines.
Dept. of Human Services/Medical Care Facility Liaison - Waiting to hear from Irene Waller on payment issues from Child Care Fund. Craig Kirkpatrick would like a state level contact for payments.
Land Acquisition
MI Renewable Energy Coalition
MEMS All Hazards
MAC-Environment Energy Land Use
Cass River Greenways Pathway
Local Unit of Government Activity Report - Slow summer, nothing to report.
Tuscola In Sync
NACO- Energy, Environment & Land Use
Genesee Shiawassee Thumb Works
Jail Planning Committee - A meeting date has been requested.

YOUNG

Dispatch Authority Board - No July meeting.

County Road Commission - Will get tree removed from the ditch at Vanderbilt Park when time permits.

Board of Public Works

Senior Services Advisory Council

Mid-Michigan Mosquito Control Advisory Committee

Saginaw Bay Coastal Initiative

Parks & Recreation - July meeting was cancelled.

Local Unit of Government Activity Report - Attended Wisner Township meeting where Vanderbilt Park was a main topic.

MAC Economic Development & Taxation Committee

Closed Session - None

Other Business as Necessary -

-Mike Hoagland spoke about the Kalamazoo County private donation of \$70,000,000.00 to help relieve the tax burden on the county and the residents.

Extended Public Comment - None

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m.

Cindy McKinney-Volz
Chief Deputy Clerk

