

**DRAFT – Agenda**  
**Tuscola County Board of Commissioners**  
**Committee of the Whole – Monday, May 12, 2014 - 7:30 A.M.**  
**HH Purdy Building - 125 W. Lincoln, Caro, MI**

**Finance**

Committee Leaders-Commissioners Trisch and Kirkpatrick

**Primary Finance**

1. Next Steps County Solid Waste Management Plan Update (See A)
2. Jail Grant Research (See B)
3. Recycling Grant Information
4. Summer Tax Levy Authorization (See C)
5. Medical Examiner System Changes (See D)
  - Change MEI from Independent Contractors to Part-Time Employees
  - Start-Up Purchase Requests
  - Proposed Medical Examiner Budget Amendment
6. Sheriff Requested Part-Time Employee Wage Changes (See E)
7. Changes in the 2014 Jail Budget for Inmate Mental Health Services (See F)
8. Equalization Updated Property Tax Estimates and 2014 Budget Amendments (See G)
9. MAC Wage and Benefit Survey
10. Peebles Community Counts Program (See H)
11. Unfunded State Mandates (See I)
12. Category State Revenue Sharing – CIP Requirement (See J)
13. E-Ticket Information (See K)

**On-Going Finance**

1. Potential Acquisition of State Property
2. Five Year Financial Plan
3. Oil Shale Mining Assessing/Taxation – MAC Involvement
4. Personnel Property Tax Replacement with Use Tax – Public Vote
5. Periodic Updates on Major Budget Factors
6. Register of Deeds Recording of Wind Project Land Transactions
7. Jail Law Suit
8. Managing Jail Bed Space
9. County Web Page and Further Enhancements
10. Indigent Dental Program
11. Unfunded State Mandates
12. Abused, Neglect and Delinquent Child Care Costs
13. Project Lifesaver Bracelet
14. SCMCCI Indirect Costs/Lease
15. NG911 Multi-County Equipment Purchase
16. Former Employee Claim for Back Pay
17. County Road Commission
18. Shared Equalization Director Huron/Tuscola 4-Year Extension
19. State Revenue Sharing – New Strings Proposed

## **Personnel**

Committee Leader-Commissioners Kirkpatrick and Trisch

### **Primary Personnel**

#### **1. Building and Grounds Request for Temporary Assistance**

### **On-Going Personnel**

1. Reclassification Procedures – New HR to Review
2. Health Insurance Affordable Care Act
3. Draft Court and Non-Union Personnel Policies – Labor Attorney Conducting Review – New HR to Review
4. Hiring of Part-time Replacements for former Full-Time Maintenance Person

## **Building and Grounds**

Committee Leader-Commissioners Allen and Bierlein

### **Primary Building and Grounds**

#### **1. Delegation of School Inspection Authority (See L)**

### **On-Going Building and Grounds**

1. Cass River Greenway
2. Dead Ash Trees Roadway Problems
3. Treasurer Office Security
4. Akron Sign
5. Jail Lobby
6. Review of Multi-County Approach to Recycling and Need for a Plan
7. State Police Lease

### **Other Business as Necessary**

1. Draft Agenda for June 4, 2014 Three County Meeting in Tuscola (**See M**)
2. Resolution from Huron County
3. MCF Small House Project Ground Breaking - Today

### **Public Comment Period**

**Mike Hoagland**

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**From:** Vicky Sherry [vsherry@tuscolaedc.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 05, 2014 4:51 PM  
**To:** Mike Hoagland  
**Subject:** SWMP ready for TBOC  
**Attachments:** Current SWMP Update.docx; deq-owmrp-sw-eqp5530\_411409\_7.doc; Current SWMP Update.docx

Hi Mike,

I have attached the SWMP, required form for the Board of Commissioners, and our suggestions for the Solid Waste Management Committee. Steve and I will begin contacting everyone tomorrow and hopefully we will have a solid list by Monday.

I will also try and contact MEDC to find out about possible grants for the jail, and check on the grants you just sent for the recycling center. I will also call Mike, and see what he has in mind for possible grants.

Thank you and have a great week,  
Vicky

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Vicky Sherry  
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## Mike Hoagland

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**From:** Vicky Sherry [vsherry@tuscolaedc.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 06, 2014 11:41 AM  
**To:** Mike Hoagland  
**Subject:** DEQ Notice of Intent Form  
**Attachments:** deq notice of intent.docx

Hi Mike,

I have attached the notice of intent form for the SWMP for Monday's Board of Commissioners meeting.

As for the DEQ 2014 Community Pollution Prevention Grant, this grant is due May 30th and is calling for proposals that would develop matrices for one of the following initiatives

1. Collect Michigan baseline recycling data to inform local decision makers,
2. conduct a detailed analysis of recycling programs in Michigan to inform local decision makers,
3. determine the amount and type of recyclable material disposed of in Michigan to inform local decision makers.

In addition to this requirement there is a 25% match required and a \$100,000 maximum grant award. After reviewing the proposal requirements I do not feel this would be a worth while grant to pursue for Tuscola County as the only apparent benefactor would be the State of Michigan.

The Tuscola County EDC would be more than happy to pursue grant opportunities for the County, we believe this is a great opportunity to raise the quality of life for citizens as well as implement economic development initiatives in the County.

I checked on the CDBG funding for the jail, and sadly the State of Michigan does not allow CDBG funds to be used for any municipal buildings.

Thanks and have a great day,  
Vicky

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**From:** Walt Schlichting [wsch@tuscolacounty.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 07, 2014 1:23 PM  
**To:** mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org  
**Attachments:** 2014 County July levy 4029.pdf

Mike,

Here is Tuscola County's tax rate request form for the 2014 Summer Tax Levy. Board action to authorize plus signatures of County Clerk and Board Chair will authorize the spread of the General Fund Operating millage on the 2014 Summer Tax Bills.

Please add this to the agenda for the earlier May board meeting.

Because this is an election year, we will need to go back to the board in August with a revised form that will authorize the spread of the special fund millages on the 2014 Winter Tax Bills.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Thanks,  
Walt

Walt Schlichting  
Equalization Director  
989-672-3833



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## Tuscola County Medical Examiner

1309 Cleaver Road, Ste. B, Caro, MI 48723

Phone: (989) 673-1857

Fax: (989) 673-7490

### MEMO

TO: Central Dispatch, Sheriff's Department, Michigan State Police, Caro Police Dept., Funeral Directors

FROM: Kathy O'Dell, Medical Examiner Secretary

CC: Mike Hoagland, Tuscola County Controller

DATE: May 6, 2014

SUBJECT: New Chief Medical Examiner

Effective June 1, 2014, Russell Bush, MD, MPH, will assume the role of Chief Medical Examiner for Tuscola County. Dr. Virani is resigning from that position; however, he will continue, when needed, as the Deputy Medical Examiner and as Forensic Pathologist, conducting ordered autopsies at McLaren-Lapeer Region hospital in Lapeer.

Most of you are familiar with Dr. Bush as he has been our Deputy Medical Examiner and Medical Director for Tuscola County Health Department for several years. Your patience is requested as there are bound to be some communication and/or logistic issues as this change is made, not only in the Medical Examiner office but in the county death investigation system too.

The old system used MESI individuals from the several law enforcement agencies around the county, which required significant overtime, training time, and scene management time and finances that today's budgets and personnel could not accommodate. The new system will utilize MEIs (Medical Examiner Investigators) through the Medical Examiner's office rather than law enforcement. Formal introductions to/of these investigators will be forthcoming once training and orientation work is completed.

The Medical Examiner system's records and administration continues to be housed and operated in the Tuscola County Health Department and Kathy O'Dell continues as the Case Coordinator and Secretary for the Medical Examiner's Office.

Many logistics questions can be answered by Kathy O'Dell. Dr. Bush can be reached by cell phone: 810-287-0613 for direct communications and 810-208-5222 for voicemail only communications. We have expectations that this new system will work as well here in Tuscola County as has occurred in other counties where it has been used.

Cremation permits and Death Certifications will continue to be handled from the Medical Examiner office at the Health Department - Kathy O'Dell at 989-673-1857 or electronically for those currently on the EDRS (encouraged).

## Mike Hoagland

**From:** Kathy O'Dell [kodell@tchd.us]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 07, 2014 1:48 PM  
**To:** Mike Hoagland  
**Subject:** MEI information

Hello,

Here is a list of the individuals interested in Medical Examiner Investigation in Tuscola County.

Thomas Kern  
Mark Bennett  
Larry Walker  
John McKenney  
Nancy Stimson

I just received an email from Sheriff Teschendorf that one more might be joining this group if approved. Myra Piazzo from Vassar will be retiring from the Police Dept. there and is interested. That will be determined by Dr. Bush in the near future.

*Kathy O'Dell*

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Medical Examiner Secretary  
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## Mike Hoagland

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**From:** Mike Hoagland [mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 07, 2014 8:15 AM  
**To:** 'bushru@msu.edu'  
**Cc:** 'O'Dell, Kathy'; Dibble Erica (edibble@tuscolacounty.org); Renee Ondrajka; Lee Teschendorf (sheriff@tuscolacounty.org); Glen Skrent (undersheriff@tuscolacounty.org)  
**Subject:** RE: Medical Examiner Training/Budget/Supplies/Immunizations

Dr Bush

My thoughts and suggestions are in CAPS after each of you numbered points.....looks to me like you have a well thought out plan that is on the right track for implementation.....

Mike

-----Original Message-----

**From:** bushru@msu.edu [mailto:bushru@msu.edu]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 06, 2014 11:12 AM  
**To:** mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org  
**Cc:** O'Dell, Kathy  
**Subject:** Medical Examiner Training/Budget/Supplies/Immunizations

Mike,

I note that several things are going to need to be done. The following is my list:

1. All MEIs need to be updated on their immunizations for their own and the county's protection. We need to make sure they are up to date on Hepatitis B series immz and Tdap (Tetanus) since they will likely be dealing with body fluids and climbing around dirty houses and jagged steel in car wrecks. The Health Dept may be able to help any deficiencies here.

MY SUGGESTION IS TO ASK KATHY ODELL IF SHE WOULD SET UP A TIME FOR EACH MEI TO COME IN AND RECEIVE THEIR IMMUNIZATIONS AT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT MAYBE THIS COULD BE ARRANGED FOR THE TRADING SESSION ON 5/13/14. COST CAN BE CHARGED TO THE MEDICAL EXAMINER BUDGET. THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT CAN SEND THE INVOICE TO ME.

2. The Michigan Statutes discuss the fact that all workers at the site of a motor vehicle crash or working in a roadway MUST have a specific reflective vest for safety purposes and I've talked to Kathy about looking locally to see if we can get a deal on having them imprinted with "Medical Examiner Investigator" on the reverse.

AGAIN COSTS CAN BE CHARGED TO THE MEDICAL EXAMINER BUDGET AND INVOICES CAN BE SENT TO ME.

3. Each will need some type of kit with their paperwork and protective equipment such as shoe covers, masks, gloves, gowns, caps, goggles, body bags, tags, evidence tape, body bag locks and (free) supplies (kits) provided by NMS labs for toxicology to be sent, syringes, needles, and

sharps' disposal containers. I hear the Sheriff Dept has some supplies that will be brought back into the Health Dept for inventory and storage and the kits already issued to the different depts' law enforcement folks will need retrieval.

MAYBE THE SHERIFF OR UNDERSHERIFF WILL SEND A COMMUNICATION TO THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ENTITIES AND ASK THEM TO BRING THEIR KITS TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

4. I have a meeting set up to start training for MEIs on the 13th @ 9am in the Health Dept conference room for only a couple hours but we may need to find time to do some of this equipment retrieval and redistribution and supply part too.

5. I note that there is no specific money for supplies in the budget for the MEIs so we may have to use some of the training money if what is available is not sufficient for what we need to keep everyone safe and do the job appropriately.

I WILL REQUEST TRANSFER OF SOME FUNDS FROM THE MEI LINE ITEM AND ESTABLISH A SUPPLY LINE ITEM? WE SHOULD HAVE MORE THAN ENOUGH TO DO THIS SINCE THE PROGRAM GOT A LATER START IN 2014 THAN ANTICIPATED AND FUNDS WERE BUDGETED FOR THE FULL YEAR. I WILL TRY TO GET THE BUDGET AMENDMENTS COMPLETED NEXT WEEK AND SEND A COPY TO YOU AND KATHY.

6. What would be "nice" would be for each of the MEIs to have a home fax machine so when they finish their reports they can fax them to me, the office, and if an autopsy is to be done, to the hospital for Dr Virani to have at the time if a police officer is not to be present.

CAN KATHY GET A COST ESTIMATE FOR THE FAX MACHINES AND SEND IT TO ME BY FRIDAY SO I CAN REQUEST BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND FUNDING FOR THIS PURPOSE?

The other question at our organizational meet and greet the other day was the question whether they would need to be at autopsies. I said no if an officer is going to be there anyway but what if they are not?

If an autopsy is ordered and no police dept is interested in the outcome, does one have to be there? I think the only reason would be if Dr Virani had questions not answered in the reports. He had indicated in the past that they did not have to be there but would need to be available should he have questions and want to talk with them. That may be possible. Dr. Virani generally provides a preliminary cause and manner of death after the autopsy but it is not official until he does the microscopic exam and we get the toxicology back.

Do you have any specific suggestions on any of this?

I BELIEVE THIS IS A POINT OF DISCUSSION FOR YOU, THE SHERIFF AND DR. VIRANI

If all are to be County part-time employees, are there any "personnel" issues, records, etc. that we need to have available? Do they have to have 'physicals' for working for the county? Any other 'requirements'?"

I PLAN TO ASK THE COMMISSIONERS TO HIRE THEM AS PART-TIME EMPLOYEES AT THE

MEETING ON 5/12/14. WOULD YOU OR KATHY SEND ME ALL THEIR NAMES BY FRIDAY SO WE CAN OFFICIALLY NAME THEM FOR HIRING. YES THEY WILL HAVE TO HAVE PHYSICALS. ERICA DIBBLE (HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR) FROM MY OFFICE COULD COME TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AT THE END OF THE TRAINING SESSION ON 5/13/14 AND GIVE THEM THE FORMS TO HAVE THE PHYSICALS DONE ALONG WITH NEW HIRE FORMS AND FORMS NEEDED TO PROCESS PAYROLL. YOU OR KATHY COULD CALL ERICA (989-672-3705) WHEN YOU ARE READY TO DISCUSS AND HAVE THE MEI COMPLETE THESE FORMS.....ONE STOP SHOPPING

PLEASE GIVE ME A CALL IF WE NEED TO DISCUSS ANY OF THIS FURTHER.

THANK YOU FOR LEADING THIS IMPORTANT PROGRAM FOR TUSCOLA COUNTY.

MIKE

RBushMD



# Tuscola County Sheriff's Office

420 Court Street • Caro, MI 48723

Lee Teschendorf, Sheriff  
Glen Skrent, Undersheriff

Phone (989) 673-8161

Fax (989) 673-8164

May 1, 2014

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners  
Mr. Michael Hoagland, County Controller

On 07/20/2010 I proposed a change in the part-time wage scale, a copy is attached, in an effort to save some expense in this area. This was approved and for several years this proved to be successful. Unfortunately we have not been able to recruit or maintain an adequate number of qualified part-time employees, especially in the corrections division, with the pay we are offering.

New state requirements dictated by the Michigan Sheriff's Coordinating and Training Council for corrections officers include them passing a written and physical examination before we can even offer them full or part-time employment. This has created a severe shortage of qualified candidates. Additionally surrounding counties offer a much higher wage, Huron County is \$ 15.00 per hour and Sanilac County is over \$ 17.00 per hour for part-time corrections officers.

At this time I am requesting that the wage scale for part-time corrections officer be established at \$ 15.73 per hour and part-time uniform division officer be set at \$ 18.83 per hour. These are the starting wages for these positions. Additionally I would ask that the wages be allowed to increase to these starting wages whenever a new scale is established.

We depend on part-time help to fill openings and reduce the amount of overtime pay and hopefully this will put us in a position to be competitive in acquiring and keeping qualified part-time staff for both divisions.

Sincerely,

Leland Teschendorf, Sheriff

07/20/2010

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners  
Mr. Michael Hoagland, County Controller

I would like to consider changing the pay structure for future part-time employees hired by the sheriff's office. We have always awarded part-time workers the starting wage for the position they would be filling.

My proposal would be to set the pay by \$ 3.00 per hour under the beginning wage and raise the amount by \$ 1.00 after every 1040 hours worked until the employee reaches the current beginning wage. At that time the amount would be frozen at that step one rate.

This new structure would save the county \$ 6,240.00 for the first 3,120 hours of work and give new employees a great deal of incentive to continue working and gaining experience in the classification they are working in.

I would also ask, in fairness to our current part-time employees, that this is not to be retroactive.

If this meets your approval I would request it be effective 08/01/2010.

Sincerely,

Leland Teschendorf, Sheriff

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**Mike Hoagland**

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**From:** Clayette Zechmeister [zclay@tuscolacounty.org]**Sent:** Thursday, May 01, 2014 3:15 PM**To:** Mike Hoagland**Subject:** Fwd:*Mike,*

*Jail Inmate Mental Health Services 2014 budget is at \$7,500 if this unfolds at \$1,560 as expected by the UnderSheriff we will need an estimated additional \$12,000 in the line item budget 101-304-837-000.*

*Thanks**Clayette*

----- Forwarded message -----

**From:** Glen Skrent <ggs@tuscolacounty.org>**Date:** Wed, Apr 30, 2014 at 10:30 AM**Subject:** RE:**To:** Clayette Zechmeister <zclay@tuscolacounty.org>

We were at 49% at the end of last month usage. I averaged it out to \$1560 per month. but it all depends on usage. Maybe the county should look into why TBHS is so expensive and a non usable county agency.

Undersheriff Glen Skrent

Tuscola County Sheriff's Office

“I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.” — Maya Angelou

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5/1/2014

5/7/2014

Estimated Revenue from Summer 2014 Levy for 2014 Budget Year***								
Millage	2014 Levy	Estimated Property Tax Revenue	MINUS Estimated DDA Capture	MINUS Unpaid Personal	PLUS DNR PILT Payments	PLUS Net IFT Revenue	Net Revenue Actual	Grand Total Net Revenue
402-253 Current Tax	3.9141	\$5,601,912	\$31,161	\$19,607	\$45,039	\$25,518	\$5,621,701	
402-891 Wind Revenue	3.9141	\$721,121		\$2,524			\$718,597	\$6,340,298
***General Operating is levied in Summer 2014 and is spent primarily in the 2014 FY.								

Estimated Revenue from Winter 2014 Levy for 2015 Budget Year^^^								
Special Funds								
Millage	2014 Levy	Estimated Property Tax Revenue	MINUS Estimated DDA Capture	MINUS Unpaid Personal	PLUS DNR PILT Payments	PLUS Net IFT Revenue	Net Revenue Actual	Grand Total Net Revenue
Bridge/Streets	0.4807	\$687,984	\$3,827	\$2,408	\$5,531	\$3,134	\$690,414	Bridge/Streets
from wind	0.4807	\$88,563		\$310			\$88,253	\$778,667
Senior Citizens	0.2000	\$286,243	\$1,592	\$1,002	\$2,301	\$1,304	\$287,254	Senior Citizens
from wind	0.2000	\$36,847		\$129			\$36,718	\$323,972
Medical Care	0.2500	\$357,804	\$1,990	\$1,252	\$2,877	\$1,630	\$359,068	Medical Care
from wind	0.2500	\$46,059		\$161			\$45,898	\$404,966
Road Patrol	0.9000	\$1,288,092	\$7,165	\$4,508	\$10,356	\$5,868	\$1,292,642	Road Patrol
from wind	0.9000	\$165,813		\$580			\$165,233	\$1,457,875
Primary Road Improvements	0.9657	\$1,382,123	\$7,688	\$4,837	\$11,112	\$6,296	\$1,387,005	Primary Road Improvements
from wind	0.9657	\$177,917		\$623			\$177,294	\$1,564,300
Mosquito Abatement	0.6316	\$903,954	\$5,028	\$3,164	\$7,268	\$4,118	\$907,147	Mosquito Abatement
from wind	0.6316	\$116,364		\$407			\$115,957	\$1,023,104
Recycling	0.1500	\$214,682	\$1,194	\$751	\$1,726	\$978	\$215,440	Recycling
from wind	0.1500	\$27,635		\$97			\$27,538	\$242,979
<b>Total Winter Levy</b>	<b>7.1560</b>	<b>\$5,780,080</b>	<b>\$28,486</b>	<b>\$20,230</b>	<b>\$41,172</b>	<b>\$23,327</b>	<b>\$5,795,862</b>	
Annual Grand Total	11.0701	\$11,381,992	\$59,647	\$39,837	\$86,211	\$48,844	\$11,417,563	
^^^Special fund millages are levied in December 2014 and are spent in the 2015 FY.								

# STAGE STORES

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4/25/2014

Tuscola County Animal Shelter  
125 West Lincoln Street, Caro, MI 48723

Peebles launched a Community Counts program called "30 Days of Giving" on March 1<sup>st</sup> to support local organizations that make a positive impact. The program was successful and we raised over \$896,000 for 700 local organizations across the country.

Store associates were thrilled to offer our customers an opportunity to donate to your organization and enclosed is a check to Tuscola County Animal Shelter for \$1,087 from the donations collected at Peebles store in Caro, MI.

From all of us at Peebles and the entire Stage Stores family, thank you for everything your organization does to help the members of our local community.

Sincerely,

Your Friends at Peebles

DATE: 21-APR-14

VENDOR NAME: TUSCOLA COUNTY

VENDOR NO. 151863

DESCRIPTION	INVOICE DATE	INVOICE NO.	DISCOUNT	NET AMOUNT
	18-APR-14	MAR 2014 GIVING5274	.00	1,087.00
701-000-355-000				
Thanks!				
			0.00	1,087.00

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56-382 / 412  
EXPENSE ACCOUNT

CHECK DATE	CHECK NUMBER	CHECK AMOUNT
21-APR-14	1501842	*****1,087.00

THIS CHECK EXPIRES AND IS VOID 45 DAYS FROM ISSUE DATE

PAY: One thousand eighty-seven and xx/100 Dollars \*\*\*\*\*

TO THE ORDER OF: TUSCOLA COUNTY  
125 W LINCOLN ST  
CARO, MI 48723

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## Mike Hoagland

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**From:** Mike Hoagland [mhoagland@tuscolacounty.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 05, 2014 2:00 PM  
**To:** Senator Mike Green (senmgreen@senate.michigan.gov); (terrybrown@house.mi.gov)  
**Cc:** Deena Bosworth (Bosworth@micounties.org); Bierlein Matthew (mbierlein@tuscolacounty.org); Kirkpatrick Craig (kirkpatrick\_craig@sbcglobal.net); Roger Allen (beetman95@yahoo.com); Tom Bardwell (tbardwell@hillsanddales.com); Trisch Christine (ctrisch@tuscolacounty.org); (SouthgateK@michigan.gov); Anderson Steve (sanderson@tuscolacounty.org); Bishop John (jbishop@tuscolacounty.org); Bob Mantey (drain-commissioner@tuscolacounty.org); Brian Nueville (briann@hdc-caro.org); Charles Walker (walkerca@michigan.gov); Curtis Stowe (ces95@fastmail.fm); Eean Lee (elee@zimco.net); Erickson Steve (edcdirector@yahoo.com); Erickson Steve (tuscolacountyedc@yahoo.com); Erskine Sandy (serskine@tuscolacounty.org); Fraczek Donna (dfraczek@tuscolacounty.org); Gierhart Amy (agierhart@yahoo.com); Glaspie Judge (d71bglaspie@gmail.com); Glen Skrent (undersheriff@tuscolacounty.org); Gretchen Tenbusch (Gretchen Tenbusch); Hal Hudson (Hal Hudson); jfetting@tuscolacounty.org; Jim Matson (scac@avci.net); Joseph Bixler (bixlerj@anr.msu.edu); Kim Green (kgreen@tuscolacounty.org); Lee Teschendorf (sheriff@tuscolacounty.org); Long Sheila (slong@tuscolacounty.org); Maggie Root; Margot Roedel (Margot Roedel); Mark Reene; Mark Reene (mreene2011@gmail.com); Mike Miller (Mike Miller); Mike Tuckey (mtuckey@tuscolaroad.org); Nancy Thane Judge (Nancy Thane); Patricia Gray; Pavlik Adam (apavlik@tuscolacouty.org); Quick Michelle (quickm@michigan.gov); 'Robert Klenk'; Robert Klenk (Robert Klenk); Ronald Amend (ramend@tchd.us); Waller Irene (walleri@michigan.gov); Walt Schlichting (Walt Schlichting)  
**Subject:** Unfunded State Mandates

**Attachments:** Mandates.2013+talking+points.pdf

### Senator Green and Representative Brown

For many years the state has issued numerous mandates to counties and local government but did not provide the funding to implement the mandate. This practice has put great stress on county and local government finances. Literally billions of dollars has been provided by county and local government for the state. Some of the significant state requirements passed down to the counties without funding include: courts, jail, abused and neglected child care, friend of the court, public health, medical care facilities, veterans and more (see attached information from the Michigan Association of Counties).

State mandates without the funding is a contributing factor to the systemic financial problems confronting county and local government. This state practice must be discontinued. Senate Bills 495 and 498 would institute a process to assure that funding for state mandates is provided by the state before county and local governments are required to comply with the state mandate. **Please restore fiscal responsibility and vote YES on SB 495 - 498.**

On behalf of the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners your dedicated service to the citizens of the county is appreciated.

Mike

Michael R. Hoagland  
 Tuscola County/Controller Administrator  
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## Unfunded Mandates Talking Points

Please encourage all county commissioners to contact their legislators and talk to them about the prevention of future **Unfunded Mandates**.

In 2009, the Legislative Commission on Unfunded Mandates determined that more than \$2.5 billion in services that can be measured, and billions more that cannot be measured, is provided by local units of government for free to the state of Michigan. Since the report, several bills have been introduced in the legislature to change the legislative and administrative rules process to prevent future unfunded mandates. These bills have been met with much resistance and have not received serious consideration due to the obstacles they presented to the legislative process. Hence, MAC has worked with Senator Casperson to alter the bills to make them more palatable to the legislature while still focusing on preventing the state from imposing any further unfunded mandates.

### Top Ten Unfunded Mandates on Counties

- Court funding
- Constitutional Officers and Minimum Staffing Levels
- Operation and Maintenance of a County Jail
- Youth Rehabilitation, Foster Care and Juvenile Justice
- Friend of the Court
- Local Public Health Departments
- Mental Health
- Solid Waste Planning
- Veteran's Relief Fund
- County Medical Care Facilities

### Unfunded Mandates 2013 - 2014 Package of Bills – The Paul Harvey Transparency Act

- **SB 495 – SB 498** sponsored by Sen. Casperson (R-Delta), Sen. Jansen (R-Kent), Sen. Meekhof (R-Ottawa) and Sen. Robertson (R-Genesee) create the Paul Harvey Transparency Act and amend three other sections of law to institute a process for ensuring the funding for mandates is appropriated before any local governmental unit would be required to comply with the mandate.
- Unlike the bills that have been introduced in past legislative sessions, these bills would not impede the legislative process or hold up the movement, passage or enactment of any unfunded mandate, but would instead exempt local units from complying with the mandate if there has not been a fiscal note prepared indicating the cost of the mandate as well as the appropriation made accordingly.
- These bills would also put the responsibility for enforcing compliance of the mandate on the State instead of requiring local units to sue the State for a Headlee violation. The State would be required to maintain the burden of proof.
- This process would also apply to any new administrative rules.

**Mike Hoagland**

**From:** TreasRevenueSharing [TreasRevenueSharing@michigan.gov]

**Sent:** Monday, May 05, 2014 4:08 PM

**Subject:** EVIP/CIP Cat. 3 Due Date Reminder

Dear EVIP/CIP Recipients,

The EVIP/CIP Category 3: Unfunded Accrued Liability Plan is due on June 1, 2014.

**NOTE: Submissions can be emailed to [TreasRevenueSharing@michigan.gov](mailto:TreasRevenueSharing@michigan.gov) or faxed to 517-335-3298 up to (and including) 11:59pm on Sunday, June 1, 2014. However, our office is closed on Saturday and Sunday and we will not be able to respond (until Monday, June 2, 2014) to questions and/or emails submitted after 5:00 pm on Friday, May 30, 2014.**

Please check Treasury's website for additional information, including the required Certification Form 5074, available templates and FAQ's. The Unfunded Accrued Liability Plan website can be found by clicking on the following link:

[http://www.michigan.gov/treasury/0,4679,7-121-1751\\_2197\\_58826-312694--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/treasury/0,4679,7-121-1751_2197_58826-312694--,00.html)

When filling out the Certification Form, the "Contact Name" should be the person who can answer questions pertaining to the submitted plan. Usually this is the person who has completed the plan. The Chief Administrative Officer's name does not need to be the contact name (unless he or she can answer questions pertaining to the submitted plan).

Below is a listing of the required documents along with a listing of the information that is required to be included in the Unfunded Accrued Liability Plan. The following required documents must be submitted to the Michigan Department of Treasury by the due date, in order for an eligible local unit to qualify for full funding under the Unfunded Accrued Liability Plan portion of EVIP/CIP:

**Required Documents**

- Certification Form (#5074)
- An Unfunded Accrued Liability Plan, that must comply with one of the following:
  1. A Local Unit with Unfunded Accrued Liabilities
    - a. If previous actions were taken to lower unfunded accrued liabilities, the plan shall include:
      - i. A listing of all previous actions taken
      - ii. A detailed description of how previous actions will continue to be implemented and maintained
      - iii. A listing of additional actions that could be taken  
(NOTE: Actuarial assumption changes and issuance of debt instruments do not qualify as a new action.)

OR

- b. If no previous actions were taken to lower unfunded accrued liabilities, the plan shall include:
  - i. A detailed explanation of why no actions have been taken
  - ii. A listing of actions that could be implemented  
(NOTE: Actuarial assumption changes and issuance of debt instruments do not qualify as a new action.)

2. A Local Unit with No Unfunded Accrued Liabilities
  - a. Include an explanation of why unfunded accrued liabilities do not exist

**\*\*Please Note\*\***

If you submit the required documentation via email to [TreasRevenueSharing@michigan.gov](mailto:TreasRevenueSharing@michigan.gov), please note the following:

**1. Prior to submitting your documentation:**

- a. **DOUBLE CHECK THE EMAIL ADDRESS** to ensure that the address has been typed correctly. If the email address is typed incorrectly, we will not receive your submission and unfortunately the local unit will not qualify for a payment.
- b. **DOUBLE CHECK ATTACHMENTS** to ensure that all the required documentation has been attached. Emails received without attachments do not qualify.

**2. After submitting your documentation:**

- a. Within two business days of Treasury receiving your email, **you will receive an email reply** stating your submission has been received (starting five business days prior to the deadline, Treasury will provide the email reply within 4 business hours).
- b. If you do not receive a response from our office within the above time frames, you should call (517) 373-2697 to verify that your submission has been received.

Thank you.

Office of Revenue and Tax Analysis

Michigan Department of Treasury

(517) 373-2697

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**Mike Hoagland**

**From:** Donna Fraczek [dfraczek@tuscolacounty.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 01, 2014 4:54 PM  
**To:** Christine Trisch; Thom Bardwell; Roger Allen; Mike Hoagland; craig kirkpatrick; Matt Bierlein  
**Subject:** Fwd: e ticket info  
**Attachments:** E ticket info 1.pdf; E ticket info 2.pdf; E ticket info 3.pdf

This is something to think about. Michigan State Police have been using e-tickets for a while now. This is a great program that would be very beneficial to our Sheriff's Department as well. While there is an initial cost of approximately \$13,000, I believe that it would be well worth the money.

I've attached a YouTube video as well as a few articles about the e-ticket system.

Donna

**Electronic Traffic Tickets in Indiana - YouTube**

[www.youtube.com/watch?v...](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v...)

YouTube

Aug 26, 2011 - Uploaded by Indiana Courts

Indiana's electronic citation and warning system (eCWS) helps law ... and courts process the more than 1 ...

Please see the attached info as well as the YouTube video above. I've sent a copy of this to the powers that be in Lansing and suggested that Michigan develop this type of video.

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On Wed, Apr 30, 2014 at 1:34 PM, Glen Skrent <[ggs@tuscolacounty.org](mailto:ggs@tuscolacounty.org)> wrote:

I have not been able to find any grant money for the e ticket program. According to Iyetek they have an agreement with the State of Michigan for the following costs for the program.

Each in car computer would cost \$795 each

Printers for each car are app \$500 each

There is a mandatory 18% fee for the service

For TCSO to get it would cost

10 vehicles x \$795= \$7950

5/2/2014

Cost for 10 printer= \$5000

So our start up cost would be \$12,950 with an annual cost of app \$1430 per year. there is no program such as the crash reporting that allows a fee to the consumer to cover the annual cost.

I assume each police agency could get it for themselves individually for these costs

I do not see any savings over the cost of the paper tickets we order now.

Undersheriff Glen Skrent

Tuscola County Sheriff's Office

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May 5, 2014

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

Dear Tom Bardwell, Chairman,

**Subject: Delegation of School Plan Review Inspection Authority**

The local school districts within the Tuscola Intermediate School District are again applying to the state for the annual renewal for the administration and enforcement for plan review and inspection of school buildings to remain local with Tuscola County.

Attached in this packet, please find the Request for Annual Delegation of School Plan Review & Inspection Authority to a Local Unit of Government Enforcing Agency forms for the affected school districts within Tuscola County.

As you may know, this is a renewal, and the process requires the signature of the school board president, as well as the signature of the head of the governing body of the governmental subdivision to certify the information on the form. The school board president has already signed their respective forms, and we are now in need of your signature in order to be able to submit to the State. Once that is done, I will send the forms as a Tuscola ISD group to Lansing.

I contacted Curtis Stowe to confirm the information as Tuscola County's Code Enforcing Agency. We must resubmit to the State prior to May 19, 2014.

I need to have the forms returned to me once you have signed the forms. I would prefer to pick them up, however they can be mailed back to me at:

Tuscola ISD, Attn: John Riley, 1385 Cleaver Road, Caro, MI 48723

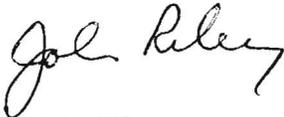
If you have any questions, please contact me via my email or cell phone:

[jriley@tuscolaisd.org](mailto:jriley@tuscolaisd.org)

[jriley@caro.k12.mi.us](mailto:jriley@caro.k12.mi.us)

Cell # 989-415-4920

Thank you,



John Riley  
Director of Transportation  
Tuscola ISD & Caro Community Schools



**Thumb Regional Counties Meeting**  
**Wednesday, June 4, 2014 – 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.**  
**Tuscola County Commissioners Room**  
**125 W. Lincoln St. Caro, MI**

**1. Minutes from March 6, 2014 Meeting**

**2. Prosperity Region 6 plan development update and timeline (Erickson/Osentoski)**

- Assuring commissioner input in the planning process and outcomes
- Status of Region 6a designation (Huron, Sanilac and Tuscola Counties)

**3. Service base consolidations**

- Overview of prior successful consolidations in the three counties (**Hoagland**)
- EVIP Grant Potentials (**Dorman**)
- Geographic Information Systems (**Schlicting**)
- Animal Control (**Hoagland/Dorman**)
- Recycling/Governors Initiative (**Miller**)
- Health Operations (**Tenbusch**)
- Mosquito Abatement (**Green**)

**4. Energy development in the Thumb**

- Oil Shale overview, Tuscola Committee, Pennsylvania PA 13, MAC involvement (**Kirkpatrick**)
- Wind overview, latest update from Clark Hill, appraisal study status, Next Era appeal of assessment based on grant funding, zoning and other data base information.....potential help from County Planning Commissions and MTA, new minimum standard?, other.....?? (**Osentoski/Others**)
- Solar projects
- Nuclear Waste Disposal in Canada east side of Lake Huron (**Huron Commissioners**)

**5. Michigan Association of Counties major issues (All)**

- State Revenue Sharing
- Unfunded mandates
- Maintaining two County Equalization Director
- Transportation funding
- Personal Property Tax Change August Election
- Other

**6. Other Business**

**Potential Future Topics** – Agriculture, new potentials, food hubs, rail, ethanol, Farm Bureau policies, marketing tourism, Pure Michigan marketing, water issues, other.....

Thumb Regional Counties Meeting Minutes  
March 6, 2014  
Sanilac County Sheriff's Conference Room  
Sandusky, MI  
2pm - 4pm

## Unapproved Draft

### Attending

Huron County: Clark Elftman, Jodi Essenmacher, Steve Vaughn  
Sanilac County: Donald Hunt, Kathy Dorman, Dan Dean, Jody Morris, Justin Faber  
Tuscola: Mike Hoagland, Christine Trisch, Matt Bierlein.

The meeting was started with brief introductions and a discussion on the new efforts by the State of Michigan to regionalize services. As part of the economic development Region 6, the group felt that there needed to be closer coordination amongst the Thumb area counties in order to better represent our shared interests. There was much discussion on how to do this and still remain an active player with the other state regional entities.

Outcome: The general feeling of those in attendance was to pursue the identification of the Thumb area; Sanilac, Tuscola & Huron counties, as a formal sub-region in Region 6, (i.e. Region 6a). This will allow us to pursue sub-regional efforts while still participating with the larger seven county region.

Action Item: Direct the EDC directors to request this designation from MEDC at the earliest time possible.

Next topic for discussion was the various wind development projects and the crafting of a regional response to the potential changing of Michigan's Renewable Portfolio Standard from 10% to something more. Items discussed was the changing of how zoning is administered and the possible loss of local control over zoning.

Outcome: The group felt that this is an important issue, but from a county perspective we might have limited impact since most of the zoning is done at the township level.

Action item: the counties would help organize an effort to work with the local township associations in the Thumb area to better align zoning and to work to develop expertise. A database of local expertise would be developed and shared on a continuing basis with the regions townships.

Next subject discussed was agriculture and its importance to the region. Rail was also of particular concern. There was some discussion about connecting the thumb area rail with the class 1 rail out of Port Huron. Additional discussions were about improving existing rail in the region, due to the downgrading of all of the rail to 10mph.

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