

DRAFT – Agenda
Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
Committee of the Whole – Monday, October 26, 2015 – 7:30 A.M.
HH Purdy Building - 125 W. Lincoln, Caro, MI

Finance

Committee Leaders-Commissioners Kirkpatrick and Bierlein

Primary Finance

1. Proposed IT Budget/Staffing Changes (See A)
2. 2016 Budget Development Update (See B)
3. Energy Retrofit Grant/Loan Funding
4. House Bill 4904 – Elections
5. Phragmites Grant Application Update
6. Multi-Year Financial Plan Update
7. MAC 7th District Meeting in Tuscola County
8. Weighmaster Contract
9. Arbela, Vassar and Millington Township Police Service Contracts
10. Act 198 Notification (See C)
11. Presumptive Parole Bill

On-Going Finance

1. CDBG Housing Grant Check Presentation 10/26/15 HDC offices 11:30 A.M.
2. Road Commission Legacy Cost (Schedule)
3. Tuscola County Community Foundation and Next Steps
4. MSU-e/4-H Millage Ballot Language – Approval Needed
5. Caro Dam Grant Funding Potential

Personnel

Committee Leader-Commissioner Trisch

Primary Personnel

On-Going Personnel

1. DOL Proposes Rule Changes to Exempt Employees

Building and Grounds

Committee Leader-Commissioner Allen

Primary Building and Grounds

1. Vanderbilt Park Grant Application

On-Going Building and Grounds

1. County Land Farmland Lease Agreement – Bidding
2. Fixed Assets Inventory Update
3. Vanderbilt Parking Ordinance
4. Mosquito Abatement Building Construction

Other Business as Necessary

1. Health Department Monthly Report (See D)

Public Comment Period

New Employee Help Desk Technician		
101-259	IT Tech	Totals
Wages 703-000	\$30,000.00	\$30,600.00
STD 704-030	\$198.47	\$202.44
LTD 704-030	\$87.00	\$88.74
Health & Dental 711-000	\$15,400.00	\$15,400.00
FICA 715-000	\$2,295.00	\$2,340.90
Life Ins. 717-000	\$55.56	\$55.56
Retirement 718-000	\$4,109.79	\$4,109.79
Total Per Employee		\$52,797.43

Previous Support Plan 1.5 FTE	
and 50% of TCSO	\$109,500.00
Road Patrol	\$33,500.00
Totals	\$143,000.00

Support Plan 2 FTE	
(Emergency	\$5,000.00
Technicians (2	\$79,196.15
Road Patrol	\$26,398.72
Totals	\$110,594.87

Restructuring Benefits:

Overall savings of **\$32,405.13**
 Savings to Road Patrol **\$7,101.28**
 Relief for General Fund **\$25,303.85**

Build internal support program, rather than sub contracted.

Sub contracting is a great temporary fix, but not a long term solution. Restructure plan confirms and fixes that.

Position ourselves for future growth

Gain more support, for less cost

Steps Increase			
		2015	2016
	Annual		2%
Step 1- start	\$30,000.00	\$15.38	\$15.69
Step 2 - 1 year	\$30,600.00	\$15.69	\$16.01
Step 3 - 2 year	\$31,212.00	\$16.01	\$16.33
Step 4 - 3 year	\$31,836.24	\$16.33	\$16.65
Step 5 - 4 year	\$32,472.96	\$16.65	\$16.99

2016 All Funds Budget

Fund	Fund Name	2016 Projected Unassigned Beginning Fund Balance	2016 Budgeted Revenue and Transfers In	2016 Budgeted Expenditures and Transfers Out	2016 Projected Ending Unassigned Fund Balance	Comments
General Fund						
101	Total General Fund	1,050,279	12,844,271	13,129,000	765,550	
Special Revenue Funds						
207	Road Patrol	142,634	1,611,013	1,638,058	115,589	
208	County Parks & Recreation	959	9,000	8,750	1,209	
213	Arbela Township Police Services	0	170,176	170,176	0	
214	Voted Primary Road Improvement	0	1,690,000	1,690,000	0	
215	Friend of the Court	264,979	950,330	1,008,100	207,209	
215	Friend of the Court	264,979	950,330	1,005,814	209,495	Computer expenditures moved to equipment fund - new employee taking health insurance
216	Family Counseling	51,610	13,000	8,000	56,610	
218	Dispatch/911	493,885	1,325,000	1,571,326	247,559	
221	Health Department	398,391	2,870,543	2,882,678	386,256	
224	Regional DWI Court Grant	22,013	230,000	216,450	35,563	
224	Regional DWI Court Grant	22,013	230,000	232,132	19,881	Drug testing contract added
225	Vassar Township Police Services	0	76,339	76,339	0	
230	Recycling	390,036	320,051	302,533	407,554	
232	Millington Township Police Services	0	164,715	164,715	0	
236	Victim Services	331	78,550	78,881	0	
240	Mosquito Abatement	209,508	1,107,503	1,061,345	255,666	
244	Equipment Fund	44,820	175,000	162,400	57,420	
244	Equipment Fund	44,820	183,300	183,300	44,820	See equipment budget for added expenditures
250	CDBG Housing Grant	0	147,500	147,500	0	
251	Principal Residence Exemption	55,631	114,900	116,218	54,313	
252	Remonumentation	0	\$74,251	\$74,251	0	
252	Remonumentation	0	\$49,578	\$49,578	0	Less state grant funds
255	Victim of Crime Act Grant	5	86,000	86,000	5	
256	Register of Deeds Automation	77,105	50,500	50,150	77,455	
257	HDC Stop Grant	0	25,716	25,716	0	
258	Geographic Information Systems	7,500	55,000	11,000	51,500	
261	Homeland Security	0	60,000	60,000	0	
263	Concealed Pistol Licensing	10,000	30,000	30,000	10,000	

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2016 All Funds Budget						
Fund	Fund Name	2016 Projected Unassigned Beginning Fund Balance	2016 Budgeted Revenue and Transfers In	2016 Budgeted Expenditures and Transfers Out	2016 Projected Ending Unassigned Fund Balance	Comments
264	Community Corrections Service	0	57,051	57,051	0	
265	Corrections Officer Training	40,824	12,000	16,000	36,824	
266	Forfeiture Sheriff/Prosecutor	53,600	20,000	20,000	53,600	
269	Law Library	15,455	6,500	6,500	15,455	
285	Michigan Justice Training	7,015	5,000	6,700	5,315	
288	Human Services Child Care	156,636	580,000	660,000	76,636	
290	Human Services	29,040	9,000	13,575	24,465	
291	Medical Care Facility	2,933,966	18,351,175	18,424,072	2,861,069	
292	Child Care Probate Juvenile	114,506	731,817	840,977	5,346	
293	Soldiers Relief	50	40,000	40,000	50	
294	Veterans Trust	24,102	15,000	15,000	24,102	
295	Voted Veterans	0	296,400	252,353	44,047	
296	Voted Bridge	2,057,714	844,096	682,133	2,219,677	
297	Voted Senior Citizens	34,759	350,000	341,193	43,566	
298	Voted Medical Care Facility	1,358,240	441,393	367,028	1,432,605	
	Special Revenue Funds Total	9,327,126	34,607,727	34,853,992	9,080,861	
	Debt Service Funds					
352	Pension Bonds	0	489,675	489,675	0	
374	Purdy Building Debt	0	75,588	75,588	0	
375	Caro Sewer System	0	428,603	428,603	0	
379	Mayville Storm Sewer	0	78,450	78,450	0	
380	Richville Water System	0	74,095	74,095	0	
384	Millington Sewer Debt	0	5,263	5,263	0	
385	Denmark Sewer System (Old)	0	111,778	111,778	0	
391	Medical Care Facility Debt	1,428,100	3,000	1,144,550	286,550	
387	Wisner Water	0	148,463	148,463	0	
	Debt Service Funds Total	1,428,100	1,414,915	2,556,465	286,550	
	Capital Project Funds					
452	Pension Bond Sale	0	8,800,000	8,800,000	0	
470	State Police Capital Expenditures	115,125	23,000	16,000	122,125	
483	Capital Improvements Fund	1,338,391	403,000	20,000	1,721,391	

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	Capital Project Funds Total	1,453,516	9,226,000	8,836,000	1,843,516	
	Other Funds					
532	Tax Foreclosure Fund	868,272	474,300	450,750	891,822	
676	Motor Pool (Child Care Vehicle)	19,168	5,000	1,500	22,668	
677	Workers Compensation	320,500	28,000	121,000	227,500	
	Other Funds Total	1,207,940	507,300	573,250	1,141,990	
	Total All Funds	\$14,466,961	\$58,600,213	\$59,948,707	\$13,118,467	

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General Fund Expenditure Actual, Projected and Budgeted							
Expenditure Category/Department	2014	2015 Original	2015 Amended	2015 Projected	10/12/2015	10/26/2015	Comments
	Actual	Budget	Budget (8/31/15)	Actual	2016 Budget	2016 Budget	
Legislative							
Board of Commissioners	94,369	103,000	113,000	106,000	127,000	127,000	
Special Programs	26,365	37,000	37,000	32,000	33,000	33,000	
Total Legislative	120,734	140,000	150,000	138,000	160,000	160,000	
Judicial							
Unified Court	2,250,792	2,360,000	2,351,106	2,282,000	2,358,000	2,384,049	Position reclassification and added person taking health insurance see attached memo for more details
Jury Commission	5,900	5,600	5,600	5,700	5,600	5,875	Supplies and travel
Adult Probation	12,312	14,000	14,000	11,500	14,000	14,000	
Total Judicial	2,269,004	2,379,600	2,370,706	2,299,200	2,377,600	2,403,924	
General Government							
Elections	88,917	31,000	31,000	56,000	90,000	90,000	
Accounting Services	48,039	48,000	48,000	46,000	50,000	50,000	
Legal Services	80,620	80,000	80,000	64,000	80,000	80,000	
Clerk	427,728	435,856	427,356	408,000	459,500	459,500	
Controller/Administrator	300,402	317,000	317,000	301,000	322,000	322,000	
Equalization	204,055	204,227	204,227	204,000	217,000	217,000	
Equalization/Huron County	9,650	11,000	11,000	10,000	11,000	11,000	
Equalization Caro Assessing Contract	20,436	20,000	15,489	15,500	11,500	11,500	
Prosecutor	514,364	522,000	522,000	517,000	553,000	553,000	
Co-Op Prosecutor	137,694	163,000	163,000	150,000	170,000	170,000	
Register of Deeds	248,742	254,000	254,000	257,000	271,000	271,000	
Treasurer	321,413	328,308	328,308	327,500	345,000	345,000	
MSU Cooperative Extension	107,366	140,153	140,153	140,153	25,000	25,000	
Computer Operations	387,872	424,575	461,969	460,000	485,500	460,197	Change from Zimco contractual to 2 full-time county employees - technicians
Buildings & Grounds	777,207	774,949	774,949	739,000	790,000	790,000	
Human Services Building Maint.	56,447	55,000	55,000	57,000	58,000	58,000	
Drain Commission	197,000	200,745	200,745	201,000	212,000	212,322	Supplies

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General Fund Expenditure Actual, Projected and Budgeted						
Expenditure	2014	2015 Original	2015 Amended	2015 Projected	10/12/2015	10/26/2015
					2016	2016
Total General Government	3,927,952	4,009,813	4,034,196	3,953,153	4,150,500	4,125,519
Public Safety						
Courthouse Security	100,806	151,000	155,100	115,000	132,000	132,000
Jail	2,212,205	2,311,000	2,333,153	2,069,000	2,306,000	2,306,000
Weigh Master	77,443	79,000	79,000	78,000	79,000	79,000
Marine Safety	12,602	12,000	12,000	10,450	10,450	10,450
Secondary Road Patrol	90,799	91,379	91,379	90,000	85,200	85,200
Thumb Narcotics	14,557	23,963	23,963	17,000	24,000	24,000
Planning Commission	3,388	5,500	5,500	3,000	3,000	3,000
Plat Board	0	628	628	0	0	0
Emergency Services	88,817	93,550	94,950	94,500	94,000	94,000
Animal Shelter	149,850	153,500	153,500	149,000	152,000	152,000
Livestock Claims	0	500	500	0	500	500
Total Public Safety	2,750,467	2,922,020	2,949,673	2,625,950	2,886,150	2,886,150
Public Works						
Building Codes (See note below)	369,043	450,000	370,000	250,000	300,000	300,000
Board of Public Works	2,339	3,000	3,000	1,500	1,500	1,500
Drain-at Large	443,611	426,952	426,952	426,952	405,426	405,426
Total Public Works	814,993	879,952	799,952	678,452	706,926	706,926
Health & Welfare						
Substance Abuse	109,737	97,500	110,000	110,000	52,412	52,412
Medical Examiner	63,387	61,000	61,000	46,000	56,000	56,000
Veterans Burial	12,600	14,000	14,000	6,000	0	0
Boundry Commission	401	300	300	0	0	0
Airport Zoning Board	0	700	700	100	100	100
Economic Development	50,754	50,000	50,000	55,000	50,000	50,000
Total Health & Welfare	236,879	223,500	236,000	217,100	158,512	158,512
Other						
Employee Sick Vacation Benefit	30,523	70,000	70,000	54,000	70,000	70,000
Insurance & Bonds	111,340	120,000	120,000	85,000	100,000	100,000

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General Fund Expenditure Actual, Projected and Budgeted

Expenditure	2014	2015 Original	2015 Amended	2015 Projected	10/12/2015 2016	10/26/2015 2016	
Other Total	141,863	190,000	190,000	139,000	170,000	170,000	
Contingency							
Contingency	0	12,434	-3,395	0	17,112	7,469	Adjusted to keep status quo total budget (9,643)
Total Contingency	0	12,434	-3,395	0	17,112	7,469	
Operating Transfers Out							
County Park	0	2,500	3,550	3,550	3,000	3,000	
Friend of the Court	282,970	282,970	282,970	282,970	242,970	242,970	
Health Department	306,000	303,319	303,319	303,319	303,319	303,319	
Behavioral Health	288,243	288,243	288,243	288,243	288,243	288,243	
Victim Services	6,000	0	0	0	0	0	
Equipment Fund	213,600	178,000	178,000	202,512	175,000	183,300	Increased transfer for additional expenditures 8,300
Remonumentation	61	0	0	0	0	0	
Victim of Crime	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Community Corrections	16,500	22,292	22,292	22,292	17,000	17,000	
Child Care Human Services	366,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	250,000	250,000	
Department of Human Services	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	
Child Care Probate	477,600	475,000	475,000	475,000	475,000	475,000	
Soldiers & Sailors Relief	23,600	25,000	32,000	32,000	0	0	
Purdy Building Debt	72,424	71,541	71,555	71,555	75,568	75,568	
Capital Improvements Fund	0	253,325	99,448	399,751	400,000	400,000	
Cigarette Tax	0	2,538	2,538	0	0	0	
Medical Examiner	21,506	22,453	22,453	22,453	26,100	26,100	
Veterans Counseling	46,000	46,000	46,000	46,000	0	0	
Wind Revenue Escrow	150,000	70,000	237,000	237,000	237,000	237,000	
Transfer to GIS Fund	0	12,500	12,500	12,500	0	0	
Homeland Security	15						
Total Operating Transfers Out	2,279,519	2,364,681	2,385,868	2,708,145	2,502,200	2,510,500	
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$12,541,411	\$13,122,000	\$13,113,000	\$12,759,000	\$13,129,000	\$13,129,000	

STATE OF MICHIGAN



54TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

HON. AMY GRACE GIERHART
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

440 NORTH STATE STREET
CARO, MICHIGAN 48723

(989) 672-3720

Memorandum

TO: Mike Hoagland

FROM: Hon. Amy Grace Gierhart

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "AG", written over the printed name of the sender.

RE: Budget Narrative

DATE: 10/13/2015

Please find attached to this memo the Tuscola County Trial Courts' budget proposal for the 2016 fiscal year. In this memo, you will find our narrative explanations for the changes we have made to your proposed budget.

1. **130-703-000 (Salaries/Supervision):** Sheila Long is being reclassified as the District Court Administrator. This will reduce her salary from \$66,353.87 to \$63,883.76. Please see the attached wage scale through 2015, plus a 2% adjustment for 2016. Mr. Pavlik is being reclassified as the Circuit Court Administrator/Staff Attorney, with a pay increase of \$7500 from what he was in line to receive in 2016 – or \$66,319.53. (For the closest analogous position, please see the attached wage scale for the former Deputy Court Administrator/Law Clerk; Mr. Pavlik's position will command higher pay because of the greater responsibility.) Of that \$7500 pay increase for Mr. Pavlik, \$2470.11 will be paid for by the reclassification of Ms. Long, and the remaining \$5029.89 will be paid for out of the savings from not replacing the circuit court's law clerk.
2. **130-727-000 (Supplies):** Your budget cuts \$2600 from our supplies line item. Given inflationary pressures over time, we feel this is unwarranted and, if anything, it would be prudent to budget for a small increase. Our proposal is \$42,000.
3. **130-729-000 (WESTLAW):** Your budget proposal keeps WESTLAW at the same \$11,580. Our contract expires in February 2016, so a new arrangement needs to be negotiated, but usually, a percentage increase is built in to the agreement. We are requesting \$12,045, but please be aware that we are ultimately beholden to what we can negotiate with Thomson West.

4. **130-731-000 (Probate Record Storage):** Your budget holds this line item flat from 2015 at the same \$1300. We have found in the past that the cost of this goes up annually. We are requesting \$1400 to be sure there is adequate money. Any excess would be returned to the county.
5. **130-746-000 (Uniforms):** You have budgeted \$75 to this line item. We are requesting \$90, so that each judge can pay to have their robes dry cleaned twice each (\$30 apiece).
6. **130-801-000 (Contracted Services):** You have budgeted \$9000 for this line item, which is a substantial increase from 2015's allocation of \$5000. Unfortunately, we feel compelled to request more. In the Fall of 2013, the Michigan Supreme Court adopted MCR 1.111, which imposes expensive requirements that trial courts provide interpreter services for individuals who do not speak English well. The need for these services in our county is relatively infrequent, but when a case comes along demanding it, the expenses are extremely high. As you can see, the year-over-year spending out of this line item is already much higher than prior years, and it is going to continue to grow this year alone. Just today, we spent \$280 bringing an Arabic interpreter in from Dearborn to work on a capital case involving a potential life offense. We are asking for \$13,500, and this may well be low. On the other hand, we may find out that 2015 was an unusually bad year. We want to be safe.
7. **130-801-010 (Court Appointed Attorneys):** You have budgeted \$480,000 for this line item. Of the 3 contracts paid from this line item, we know that we have 2 contracts already locked in for 2016 for \$173,250 and \$168,000. If we estimate roughly \$25,000 in spending outside the contracts for one reason or another, this comes to \$366,250. We have recently negotiated a contract price of \$108,000 for the representation of indigent misdemeanants in District Court, coming to a total of \$474,250, which is what we are requesting, a decrease from what you are proposing.
8. **130-801-030 (Guardian Ad Litem):** Your budget proposal is for \$26,000. We find that we consistently underestimate the amount of spending out of this line item. Bills from attorneys always come in relatively late in January, putting us over what was expected. We spent over \$32,000 in 2013 and over \$34,000 in 2014. We are requesting \$30,000, which – given prior history – could be low.
9. **130-801-040 (Guardianship Reviews):** You have budgeted \$1000. We are asking that this line item remain flat year-over-year at \$1600. Bills for this line item come in irregularly and spending projections through the end of August may not be accurate.
10. **130-801-050 (Mediation):** You have budgeted \$2000 for this line item. We believe we can get by with \$500 in this line item.
11. **130-801-060 (Psych Evals):** You have budgeted \$500 for this line item. Quite often, we do not spend any monies out of this line item. If we end up spending anything, we can take it out of Contracted Services, which – as noted above – needs a substantial increase for 2016.

12. **130-805-010 (Steno Transcripts):** You have budgeted \$6000 for this line item. Spending in this line item is erratic. In 2013, we spent over \$7000. This year, we are on pace for less than \$4000. We feel that prudence suggests we allocate more funds than what you have proposed.
13. **130-809-000 (Memberships):** You have budgeted \$4000 for this line item. We are requesting that it stay the same from 2015, at \$5000. Spending trends are erratic in this line item as the billing is irregular.
14. **130-802-000 (Visiting Judge):** You have budgeted \$18,000 for this line item, a substantial cut from 2015. We are requesting that this line item remain flat at \$25,000.
15. **130-851-000 (Telephone):** You have budgeted \$2500 for this line item. We feel that \$2400 would be sufficient. Although small month-to-month increases in this bill do arrive from time to time, we feel \$2400 is adequate.
16. **130-851-010 (Cell Phones):** You have budgeted \$1300. We are requesting \$1500, to reflect inflationary pressures in the cost of these services.
17. **130-861-000 (Travel):** You have budgeted \$5000 for this line item. We ask that it remain flat at \$7000. If, as is often the case, the mileage reimbursement goes up this year, maintaining flat spending would already result in fewer miles traveled.
18. **130-934-000 (Office Equipment Repairs):** You have budgeted \$1000. We are asking for \$1500, which would keep the spending flat year-over-year.
19. **130-957-000 (Training):** You have budgeted \$3619 for this line item. We are requesting \$5600, which would keep this line item flat year-over-year.

In addition to the foregoing, I am comfortable using the revenue projections you shared with me last month. Thank you for your assistance.

Draft 2016 Equipment and Capital Improvement Budget

Equipment and Capital Improvement Requests and Funding Recommendations

Requests	Recommended for Funding			
	2016 Requests	Equipment Fund - 244	Capital Improvement Fund - 483	Other Fund
Department/Agency/Project				
Sheriff				
Chairs - 2	\$900	\$900		
Drain Commission				
Rotary File - (See note)	\$4,300	\$4,300		
Lateral Mobile Shelving System	\$2,000	\$2,000		
Emergency Services				
New Vehicle	\$32,000			
Register of Deeds				
10 24" Monitors	\$3,000			\$3,000
Storage Modules for Vault	\$14,500	\$14,500		
Work Area Renovation	\$43,000			
Unified Court				
Chairs	\$2,100	\$2,100		
Shredder	\$300	\$300		
Security Cameras	NA			
Friend of the Court				
Computers	\$12,500	\$12,500		
Computer Operations				
Laptop Computers	\$2,500	\$2,500		
IT Servers	\$5,000	\$5,000		
Network Switches	\$4,500	\$4,500		
PC Workstations	\$2,500	\$2,500		
Friend of the Court PC Replacement	\$12,500			\$12,500
Barracuda Firewall F400	\$5,700	\$5,700		
EMC SAN Hard drive upgrade	\$6,500	\$6,500		
OnBase client upgrades	\$19,000	\$19,000		
Courthouse VOIP Telephones	\$95,000	\$95,000		
Building & Grounds				
Jail Window Replacement	\$160,000			
Pickup Truck Box	\$6,000	\$6,000		



Moving Forward Working Together

October 15, 2015

County of Tuscola
Mr. Michael Hoagland, Administrator
125 Lincoln Street
Caro, MI 48723

Notice of a Public Hearing on a Proposed Resolution for the Establishment of an Industrial Development District in Village of Cass City, and a Hearing on the Proposed Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for Walbro, LLC on new machinery.

Dear Mike,

Walbro Engine Management has requested that the Village of Cass City approve the establishment of an Industrial Development District for its property, pursuant to Act 198 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1974, as amended and the consideration of an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate on mew machinery.

The public hearings on the resolutions will be held on October 26, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village of Cass City Municipal Building, 6506 Main Street, Cass City.

Since the tax collected by the Village of Cass City may be reduced if the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate is approved, a representative of the County of Tuscola is entitled to appear and be heard.

If you have any questions, please call the Village of Cass City at 989.872.2911.

Sincerely,

Nanette Walsh
Clerk/Treasurer

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Tuscola County Health Department
Board of Commissioners Monthly Report for October 2015
Prepared by: Gretchen Tenbusch, RN, MSA, Health Officer

Visit our website at www.tchd.us

Outcomes for the Month:

- Ron Amend, Veteran's Director's last day is October 30, 2015. Mark Zmierski assumes the role of Veteran's Director on November 1, 2015..

Issues under consideration by the Local Health Department:

- MDHHS has informed us that FY2017 funding may be limited as the Governor and legislature is looking to fund the road maintenance and repair along with the match for Healthy Michigan using General funds that had been earmarked in previous years for public health programs and education.
- There is a possible legislation that may mandate a Pre-Kindergarten dental assessment not screening by a midlevel dental provider such as a dental hygienist.
- After the death of a Public Health Medical Director, the State may be requiring local health departments to have contractual relationships with a second Medical Director in case the first Medical Director dies. This may be akin to a Deputy Medical Director. Since all medical services rendered at local health departments are provided under standing orders from the health department's Medical Director, if she or he dies suddenly, the health department may not render any medical services until such time as an Interim Medical Director can be hired.
- The State appears happy with the formation of the Alliance between Huron, Sanilac, Tuscola and Lapeer. At the Michigan Association for Local Public Health Conference this month, Alliances were discussed at many presentations as a wave of the future.

Issues to be brought to Board of Commissioners:

- None at this time.