

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TUSCOLA TOWNSHIP
BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2008, AT 7:00 P.M.**

The meeting was brought to order by the Supervisor, Tod Fackler, at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Present-Bergdolt, Fackler, Bishop, Olson and Blasius.

Fackler added item e, appointment to board of review, under new business. Bergdolt made a motion to approve the agenda with this addition and this motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

Bergdolt made a motion to approve the January minutes and this motion was seconded by Bishop. Carried.

Fackler read the minutes of the Planning Commission.

Fackler reported that the Board of Appeals is scheduled to hold a meeting on March 19, 2008.

Fackler reported that the minutes of the Tuscola County Economic Development are on file.

The Zoning Administrator distributed the February blight list. The blight at 4399 Hart Rd. was submitted to the township board. This will be revisited in April and a decision will be made whether to turn this blight over to the attorney.

Fackler reported that as to date he has not received any information from the three engineering firms that were contacted to work with the Planning Commission and the Township Board.

The 2008 road work estimates were discussed and will be addressed at the budget work session on March 7th.

The budget work session will be on Friday, March 4, 2008, at 9:00 a.m.

Bishop made a motion to adopt the Poverty Exemption Policy for the township with the following amendments: Asset Test. (1) The SEV shall not exceed \$20,000 for a request for a full exemption. (2) The SEV shall not exceed \$25,000 for a request for a 75% exemption. (3) The SEV shall not exceed \$30,000 for a request for a 50% exemption. (4) The SEV shall not exceed \$35,000 for a request for a 25% exemption. Also, under Asset Test. C. The phrase Applicant's homestead property will be deleted. This motion was seconded by Olson. Roll call: Aye-Olson, Blasius, Bishop, Fackler and Bergdolt. Carried.

Fackler submitted a letter from Jim Lagowski, President, Scenic Michigan, asking the township's participation in this organization. No action was taken on this request.

A meeting of the Rural Elected Officials is scheduled for Wednesday, March 12, 2008, at 9:30 a.m. at the Bay Region Office and the Cass City Transportation Service Center.

The Tuscola County Board of Commissioners January 2008 activity report was distributed.

Fackler made a motion to appoint Roy Knoll to fulfill Gib Trinklein's term on the Board of Review. This motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

Bills were presented in the amount of \$29,746.77. Olson made a motion to accept these bills for payment and this motion was seconded by Blasius. Roll call: Yes-Fackler, Olson, Bergdolt, Blasius, and Bishop.

This meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Blasius, Clerk

Tod Fackler, Supervisor