

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE TUSCOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15,
2013, AT 7:00 P.M.**

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

Roll call: Present-Hicks, Fackler, Verbeek, Olson and Blasius.

Olson made a motion to approve the agenda as written and this motion was seconded by Hicks. Carried.

Olson made a motion to approve the minutes of the September meeting with the correction of changing Tod to Tom and this motion was seconded by Verbeek. Carried.

Erbisch questioned the use of stones as part of the new landscaping and the potential for problems during the ball season. After some discussion, it was decided to see if this problem materialized next spring and if so they would be removed and replaced with mulch.

Sally LaForge inquired about any additional enhancements to the Bray and Ormes Rd. intersection. She stated that she appreciated the new signage on Ormes Rd. Fackler reported that there are further traffic studies to be completed and then a decision will be made at that time.

Kirkpatrick stated that the Tuscola County Road Commission has been receptive to correcting problems. He reported that many dead Emerald Ash trees are in the road right-of-way and the county is looking for funds to remove these before they become a serious issue. Kirkpatrick has continued to request the Arbela police patrol the township cemetery when they go through the township and this is being done occasionally and is greatly appreciated.

Hicks reported on the Planning Commission.

Fackler stated that the Board of Appeals meeting will be October 17, 2013, at 7:00 P.M.

Verbeek stated that the Parks and Recreation Board will meet the third Thursday of each quarter. The Budget Meeting will be held on February 20, 2014.

Fackler reported that the VAAS minutes are on file for review. The MMR will be sending out flyers to all residents of the township offering a membership program.

Fackler stated that the Bullard-Sanford Library's annual statement had been received and is available for review.

The Zoning Administrator, Tom Asperger, distributed the Zoning Administrator Report for October. He stated that two permits had been issued. He gave an update on current blight and the progress of each.

Verbeek distributed two sign designs for the township canoe launch submitted by the Parks and Recreation Board. After some discussion, the board gave some recommendations and the final decision will be determined by the Parks and Recreation Board. The 30"x6' sign will be completed by Swartz's Signs and installed for a total of \$1125. This will be placed at the entrance to the canoe launch.

Fackler reported that Phil Kern from Frankenmuth has determined that the township will be able to join the Construction Code Group in January, 2015. There is much paper work that needs to be completed.

The AKTPeerless submitted the 2011-2013 summary of the data obtained from the Cass River and various creeks.

The T.C.R.C. is requesting the board to review the list of township roads and submit the bid requests no later than November 1, 2013. After much discussion, Hicks requested estimates for .83 miles of Hart Rd., Van Cleve to Frankenmuth and 0.73 miles of Waterman Rd., Hart to Richville. This motion was seconded by Blasius. Carried.

There was discussion on preparing letters of recognition to be given to persons retiring from township service. A policy will be adopted and board members will bring recommendations to the next township meeting in November.

Bills were presented in the amount of \$19,378.38. Olson made a motion to accept these bills for payment and this motion was seconded by Verbeek. Roll Call: Yes-Olson, Blasius, Fackler, Verbeek and Hicks.

This meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Blasius, Clerk

Tod Fackler, Supervisor

