

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE TUSCOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
HELD ON AUGUST 20, 2019 AT 1:00 P.M.

Trustees present: Barber, Verbeek, Hicks, Fackler, Rodammer

Guests: 3

Barber made a motion to approve the agenda. Hicks seconded. Carried.

Barber made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 16th meeting. Verbeek seconded. Carried.

Stan Golis was present to discuss his concern with the drain issues he's having in front of his house. He will reach out to road commission to see if they can assist him

Verbeek made a motion to change the Planning Commission meetings to the second Monday of each month permanently. Barber seconded. Carried.

The Cass River Greenway's annual clean-up day for the Cass River is September 21, 2019. More information can be found at tuscolatownship.org under the "Greenways" tab.

Hicks made a motion to hire Spicer Engineering to survey, design, permitting, and bidding of the damage to the river bank at the cemetery for \$34,000. Fackler seconded. Motion failed.

Rodammer made a motion to call Shellenbarger Engineering to get an estimate on surveying, designing, permitting, and bidding of the damage to the river bank at the cemetery. Verbeek seconded. Motion failed.

Much more discussion ensued in regards to the extent of the damage to the cemetery bank and the monetary cost to repair the damage and the concern of hiring an engineering company that the township has never worked with before on such a delicate and expensive project.

Barber made a motion to hire Spicer Engineering to do the survey, design, permitting, and bidding of the damage to the river bank at the cemetery for \$34,000. Hicks seconded. Carried.

Bob Mantey, the Tuscola County Drain Commissioner, was present to discuss combining the Sheboygan Drain with branches of the Sheboygan Drain. He also submitted a "Notice of Drainage Board Meeting for Determination of Practicability" that will be held on September 17th, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Heritage Theater at the Dow Event Center.

Hicks made a motion to adopt Resolution #2019-4 To File County Drain Petition Sheboygan and Branches Drain. Rodammer seconded. Carried. Yes- Barber, Fackler, Verbeek, Rodammer, Hicks.

Hicks made a motion to approve the agreement with the County Road Commission for the following: remove the two existing pedestrian crossing signs, installation of two playground warning signs, and construction of a foundation and installation of the solar speed radar sign that was purchased by the Township. At a cost of \$1500 to be paid by the Township. Verbeek seconded. Carried.

Barber made a motion to adopt the State Disaster Contingency Fund Grant Resolution #2019-3. This grant will allow the Township the opportunity to be reimbursed up to 10% of the Township's operating budget for the damage caused to the river bank at the cemetery from the rain storm on May 25, 2019. Hicks seconded. Carried. Yes- Rodammer, Verbeek, Fackler, Hicks, Barber

Hicks made a motion to pay the City of Vassar \$40,528 for the Tuscola Township's portion of the new fire truck that was purchased. Verbeek seconded. Carried.

Fackler made a motion to have Jaruzel's Tree Service trim branches off the tree that is hanging over the township hall building and the playground. Rodammer seconded. Carried.

Verbeek made a motion to transfer \$200 from 'contingency fund' and put it in the 'pavilion refund' fund, increasing the 'pavilion refund' fund from \$250 to \$450 to accommodate for the increase in pavilion rentals. Rodammer seconded. Carried.

Hicks made a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$16,583.73. Rodammer seconded. Carried. Yes- Barber, Verbeek, Fackler, Rodammer, Hicks

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Michelle Hicks- Clerk