

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
TUSCARORA TOWNSHIP BOARD**

April 2, 2013

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Ridley.

Members Present: McGinnis, Balazovic, Ridley, Fisher, Waldron

Members Absent: None

44 citizens were in attendance.

The March 5, 2013, regular meeting minutes were approved as previously published; the March 7, 2013, special meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

Clerk Fisher moved and Trustee Waldron seconded to adopt the agenda with the addition of Item #17 – correspondence. Motion carried.

Police Report: He stands on his statistical report. Chief is amazed at the number of complaints he receives on Facebook postings.

Committee reports:

Beautification: Benches will soon be sent to the school for repair and/or repainting. The High School is constructing a sign for Hide-A-Way Park. The High School students will also be involved with cleaning up the entrance signs to Indian River. **West Side Road End:** Robin presented the check needed for a final estimate for the Resort Road public access. The Committee is starting a fundraising effort for the dock for Ellinger Road; the dock will be built to DNR specifications with community volunteers.

Treasurer's report: The general accounts have \$703,945.59; the tax accounts have \$10,435.67 without interest.

Chris Huffman from Garan, Lucow, Miller P.C. representing Ronald and Barbara DeYoung requested the abandonment of certain roads within the plat of M.A. McHenry's Subdivision and approval of the proposed settlement. The CCRC abandoned the roads at their March 21, 2013, meeting. The CCRC abandoned the road end at their March 21st meeting and in turn it comes before the Tuscarora Township board for abandonment. Tim MacArthur, representing the back lot owners, answered questions on the proposed settlement that will turn the Mack Avenue road end into a private beach for part of the McHenry's plat as well as abandoning Lake Blvd. from the Indian River to South Avenue. After discussion, Trustee Waldron moved to table the abandonment until the board has an opportunity to discuss this with our Council. Trustee McGinnis seconded the motion and it carried with five ayes.

Joe Elliott, from Gourdie Fraser, presented the options for providing a water supply well for the waste water treatment plant property. Gourdie Fraser has applied to the DEQ for a variance on the 800' isolation buffer from the infiltration beds. If the DEQ denies the variance request, Elliott recommends installing a Type III well located on another parcel owned by Tuscarora Township in the industrial park. Trustee Waldron moved to request the Cheboygan County Planning Commission table the special use permit until the DEQ has ruled on the variance. Treasurer Balazovic seconded and the motion carried.

Trustee Waldron moved to approve the Chamber of Commerce's request for use of the boat launch for the Walleye Tournament and Marina Park and DeVoe beach for Summerfest contingent upon Marina Park and the Park Commission approving the requests as presented. Clerk Fisher seconded the motion and it carried with five ayes.

Clerk Fisher moved to approve the contract with Great Lakes Fireworks for \$7,696.00 for the 2013 firework display. This is a 4% increase from 2012. Trustee McGinnis seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Treasurer Balazovic moved to approve the request from Mike Roper, Managing Director from the Cheboygan County Road Commission, to submit a letter of support for additional road funding to Lansing. Trustee McGinnis seconded and it carried.

Clerk Fisher submitted a self-evaluation questionnaire required from Rural Development of the township hall site and building for the sewer project. Fisher will get copies to the Trustees for their review and will revisit at the May meeting.

Trustee Waldron moved to approve submitting a land transaction application with the DNR for property adjacent to the sewer treatment facility. This is the property where the monitoring wells are located. Trustee McGinnis seconded and the motion carried.

The following correspondence was reviewed and presented:

Cheboygan County United Way has requested a yearly commitment of each township's per capita cost for 211 services in Cheboygan County. The per capita cost for Tuscarora Township is \$455.70. The request was tabled until the May regular board meeting.

Citizen comments: Public comments began at 7:50 p.m. Comments were received from five persons. Comments ended at 8:11 p.m.

Trustee Waldron moved to pay the bills. Trustee McGinnis seconded and it carried unanimously.

Trustee Waldron moved to adjourn at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan L. Fisher, Clerk

Michael Ridley, Supervisor