

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
TUSCARORA TOWNSHIP BOARD
May 12, 2015 – Approved June 2, 2015**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Ridley.
Members Present: McGinnis, Balazovic, Ridley, Fisher, Waldron
Members Absent: None

Supervisor Ridley asked if there were any changes to the minutes of the April 7, 2015 meeting or the minutes of the special of May 5, 2015 meeting as presented. No changes were requested. Supervisor Ridley so moved both minutes were approved as presented and the motion carried.

Clerk Fisher moved and Trustee McGinnis seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Public comments on agenda items: No public comments received.

Committee Reports

DDA – On Monday, May 18th at 5:30 p.m. Dan Leonard from MEDC will be discussing Placemaking and community business incentives. **Veterans Pier** – The dedication event will be Saturday, May 23, 2015, 1:00 p.m. at DeVoe Beach. Sod, trees and flag pole will be installed soon. All areas of expenditures are still within budget. The paver brick program is going well and the pier is being utilized daily. There continues to be issues with the rocks being thrown into the river and lake. **Marina Park** – The picnic pavilion and the trailhead are under construction. The fountain has been removed and the well capped because it was in the middle of Straits Highway. The completion date for contractors is still June 30th and Marina Park will now start working on the size and location of a playground that is being donated by the Beach family.

Police Report: The radios have been installed in the cars and the Indian River Womens Club has donated the funds to purchase two additional radios. The proceeds from a sale of department weapons that were no longer in service will be used to update our tasers.

Treasurer's report: The general accounts have \$1,330,628.83 without interest and the tax accounts have \$16,962.81 with interest.

Correspondence: An email from Kathy Swanson, letter from Consumers Energy, letter from CCRC, and letter from State Senators and State Representatives.

A discussion was held on a meeting that Supervisor Ridley and attorney Rob Huth attended with Jim Granger and attorney Steve Lindsay to discuss a claim being made by Granger for \$10,000 based on a 1989 sewer engineering contract with Tuscarora Township. No motion was made to pay the invoice.

Discussion held on a DEQ soil erosion permit issued to Jim McCready and the township's interest in the property. The DEQ additionally gave authority to McCready to remove docks along 50 linear feet of shoreline. Supervisor Ridley to contact attorney Rob Huth to see if there is anything further we need to do.

Supervisor Ridley certified that he has checked petitions for the resurfacing of Kings Point Road and that the petitions have been signed by 66.9% of total road frontage.

Motion by Clerk Fisher and seconded by Treasurer Balazovic to adopt Resolution No. 1 for Kings Point Road Special Assessment to tentatively undertake improvements to Kings Point Road pursuant to a petition requesting the improvements by owners of land constituting more than 66% of total road frontage. A roll call vote was taken: McGinnis, yes; Balazovic, yes; Ridley, yes; Fisher, yes; Waldron, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Waldron and seconded by Clerk Fisher to proceed further with the public improvements of Kings Point Road and set June 2, 2015, as the date for the first public hearing on the Special Assessment. A notice of the hearing will be published twice before the hearing and notices will be sent to all owners or persons of interest in the special assessment district. Motion carried with five ayes.

Motion by Trustee Waldron and seconded by Trustee McGinnis to waive our first right of refusal to the parcels within Tuscarora Township that were foreclosed upon in March of 2015. Motion carried with five ayes.

Motion by Trustee Waldron and supported by Clerk Fisher to submit to the electors at the annual meeting the salary of \$23,719 for Supervisor if not directly performing assessing and \$54,559 if directly performing assessing. A roll call vote was taken: McGinnis, yes; Balazovic, yes; Ridley, yes; Fisher, yes; Waldron, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Waldron and supported by Treasurer Balazovic to submit to the electors at the annual meeting the salary of \$23,719 for Clerk. A roll call vote was taken: McGinnis, yes; Balazovic, yes; Ridley, yes; Fisher, yes; Waldron, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Supervisor Ridley and supported by Clerk Fisher to submit to the electors at the annual meeting the salary of \$18,724 for Treasurer. A roll call vote was taken: McGinnis, yes; Balazovic, yes; Ridley, yes; Fisher, yes; Waldron, yes. Motion carried.

Motion Clerk Fisher and supported by Treasurer Balazovic to submit to the electors at the annual meeting the salary of \$7839 for office of Trustees or \$3,920 each. A roll call vote was taken: Fisher, yes; Balazovic, yes; Ridley, yes; Waldron, yes; McGinnis, yes. Motion carried.

Discussion on what date to set a road workshop meeting with the township board and the county road commission tabled. Trustee Waldron would like to hold the workshop sometime fall of 2015, possibly make that the subject of our fall town hall meeting.

Motion by Clerk Fisher and seconded by Supervisor Ridley to grant Trustee Waldron the authority to set the date of a sewer informational meeting. Motion carried.

Public comments: Public comment began at 7:58 p.m. Comments were received from four persons. Public comments ended at 8:05 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Waldron and seconded by Trustee McGinnis to pay the bills. Motion carried with five ayes.

Trustee Waldron moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan L. Fisher, Clerk

Michael Ridley, Supervisor