

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

November 11, 2014

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

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

Trustee Waldron moved and Trustee McGinnis seconded to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2014, meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Trustee Waldron moved and Treasurer Balazovic seconded to adopt the agenda with the addition of a library update. Motion carried.

Public comments on agenda items: No public comments received.

Committee Reports

DDA – Received an email from MDOT with questions on the streetscape project that must be responded to by November 21st.

Planning Commission – The Cheboygan County Planning Commission (CCPC) requested input on a site plan review amendment for Indian River Power Sport. The Tuscarora Township Planning Commission had no objection to the request. **West Side Road End** – A board meeting was held in October and set up the new criteria for East West Resort Road end. Ms. Rohn requests a letter be prepared for the Road Commission requesting a new windshield estimate. **Library** – Ms. Rohn reported that the library has a new foundation and the library will be seeking donations for that foundation. **Parks Commission** – We are fighting the leaves and the weather. The parks were cleaned up; however, the weather did not hold long enough for the cemeteries to be cleaned up. The ice rink is ready to go.

Beautification – No report. Next meeting is in March. **Veterans Pier** – An introductory walk was held late last month and thanks to all those who helped make it a success. The construction is 100% complete with final site work to be completed next spring. A dedication will be held next Memorial Day weekend. **Marina Park** – The bid package for the Trailhead will go out later this month with an anticipated bid opening being December 11th. And at our next meeting we will be reviewing the plans and the bid package for the pavilion that will be in Marina Park.

Police Report: Fall training is complete; during that training Pat McGinnis came and took new department photos. They can be seen on our website and Facebook page.

Airport Manager's Report: No report.

Treasurer's report: The general accounts have \$704,223.98 with interest and the tax accounts have \$24,217.17 with interest.

Communications: Letters received from Catherine Campbell, Ivan Moreman and Northwest Design Group.

Motion by Clerk Fisher and seconded by Trustee McGinnis to approve the 2015 Fire Protection Contract. There is an approximate increase of \$2,000 from the 2014 contract. A roll call vote was taken: McGinnis, yes; Balazovic, yes; Ridley, yes; Fisher, yes; Waldron, abstain.

The Cheboygan County Humane Society (CCHS) has sent the 2015 contract for services. Contracts in the past have been in the amount of \$750.00, Supervisor Ridley posed to increase it to \$1,000.00. Mary Talaske, CCHS Executive Director, informed Clerk Fisher that they are working to expand their facilities so that they may become a no kill shelter.

Motion by Clerk Fisher and seconded by Trustee McGinnis to approve the 2015 Cheboygan County Humane Society Contract for \$1,000.00 including a letter stating that the increase in the contract is for helping to reach their no kill shelter goal. Motion carried with five ayes.

Nieland & Kosanke Engagement Agreement for the sewer audit is tabled.

Trustee Waldron read a letter that he wrote and would like to have printed in both the Straitsland Resorter and the Cheboygan Daily Tribune. He would like to see our township and town come back together to begin the healing process. The letter also discusses setting up a fund that could be used to assist with sewer hookup costs.

Motion by Clerk Fisher and seconded by Treasurer Balazovic to submit the proposed letter. Motion carried with five ayes.

Public comments: Public comment began at 7:35 p.m. Comments were received from five persons; public comments ended at 7:38 p.m.

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

Motion by Trustee Waldron to adjourn at 7:39 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan L. Fisher, Clerk

Michael Ridley, Supervisor