

**MINUTES OF THE REMOTE AUDIO/VIDEO MEETING
OF THE TUSCARORA TOWNSHIP BOARD
February 2, 2021**

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by Supervisor Ridley with the Pledge of Allegiance

Audio/Video Remote Virtual

Roll call by Clerk Dolly Rodriguez. Board members present were Mike Ridley Supervisor; Dolly Rodriguez, Clerk; Bobbi Balazovic, Treasurer; Robert Kramer, Trustee; Janet Vance, Trustee. A quorum of the board was present.

Minutes of the January 5, 2021 meeting were approved. Will dispense as written.

Ridley added 2 reports. Airport and Library. Also, Planning Commission nominations to vote on. Motion to accept Agenda by Kramer, supported by Vance. All in favor.

Public comment began on Agenda items at 7:09 pm. Two comments made regarding opposing the South Ave issue and open meetings. Comments closed at 7:11 pm.

Treasurer's Report

Motion to pay bills made by Vance and Kramer supported. All in favor.

Police Report

Last couple of months the Chief has been working on policy changes to meet the eligibility set forth by the Dept of Justice to meet the criteria in order to receive any grant money under Executive Order 13929. Policy changes were made to the Use of Force Policy and the policy was submitted to the Michigan Association of Chief of Police and they have been granted certification.

DDA Report

Ridley changed the date of the next meeting from February 15 to February 22 so they can meet in person. He said they have their arms wrapped around the budget. Feels comfortable where they are right now with the DDA. Planning Commission: Due to Craig Waldron's resignation, there is an opening to replace him. Mike with the Planning Commission would like to nominate Dawn Webb and Mike Ridley. Vance made a motion to accept the nominations and Rodriguez supported. All in favor. No Parks Commission report. Kramer stated that we should hear next week on the grant application for the docks.

Library Report

Helen Miller, the library Director. The library has a reading program during February.

Adopt the 2021 Poverty Exemption Guidelines

Balazovic makes motion to adopt Resolution and Vance supported. Roll call, Ridley – yes; Balazovic – yes; Kramer – yes; Vance – yes; Rodriguez – yes.

Appoint Phase II Sewer Committee Chair

Bob has done a lot of work over the last year and a half or longer and has been making a lot of phone calls. Ridley would like to appoint Kramer as committee chair so that he is able to make the phone calls to get the necessary information. Motion to appoint Kramer as the senior liaison made by Rodriguez, supported by Vance. All in favor.

Winterfest

Parks agreed to rent the park out to the Chamber of Commerce for the Winterfest on February 12, 13 and 14. Addendum between the Chamber and Parks Commission to comply with all COVID-19 preventative measures issued by the CDC and State of MI signed by Will Mulligan. Motion to approve made by Vance, supported by Kramer. All in favor.

South Ave Abandonment

Tabled for 1 more month; more legal information is needed.

PIE&G Franchise Resolution

This is to add broadband to the franchise. This will be Ordinance 31-A. Motion to pass Resolution made by Vance and supported by Kramer. Roll call Ridley, yes; Balazovic, yes; Kramer, yes; Vance, yes; Rodriguez, yes.

Citizen comments began at 8:10 pm. Comments were heard from 5 citizens. Citizens comments ended at 8:15 pm.

Board comments began at 8:15 pm. Vance asked what software is used for voting machines. Rodriguez will find out.

Kramer moved to adjourn at 8:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dolly J. Rodriguez, Clerk

Michael E. Ridley, Supervisor