

Tuscarora Township
3546 S. Straits Hwy.
Indian River, MI 49749
November 1st, 2022 @ 7:00 PM
Proposed Regular Meeting Minutes

- **Call to order:**
 - Supervisor Ridley called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance
- **Roll Call:**
 - Board Members present: Kramer, Webb, Ridley, Balazovic, Vance – there was a quorum of the board present.
 - Absent: 0
- **Approval of October Meeting Minutes:**
 - Minutes of October Meeting were dispensed as written
- **Approval of Agenda:**
 - Motion by Balazovic supported by Vance to adopt the agenda with the addition of Jane McGinnis to discuss her Indian River Flows YouTube channel and the Assessor position discussion. All in favor.
- **Public Comment on Agenda Items:**
 - There were two public comments
- **Correspondence:**
 - no correspondence
- **Treasurers Report & Bills:**
 - Motion made by Kramer, supported by Vance to accept the Treasurers report and pay the bills. All in favor.
- **Budget Adjustment:**
 - Webb requested the Board to address the lack of wages and FICA in the 101 General budget to cover maintenance for Township properties that are not considered Parks (ie – Chamber area, Sturgeon on the corner etc.). Request to establish two new GL lines in General fund budget for and move \$1500 for wages and \$115.00 for FICA from Contingencies to the new GL lines. Motion to approve budget adjustments made by Balazovic, supported by Kramer. All in favor.
- **Police Report :**
 - Chief Temple discussed the forces training schedule for operations to be held at the airport. He also gave an update on blight and working with CCRC on the Witt Blvd issue.
- **Reports:** DDA - lights are in and black hole in town is gone. Meeting with Consumers Power next week to plan burying lines on east side of road.

- **Parks Commission** – Jim Burke discussed the meeting they will have this week to finalize five-year plan and a meeting on the 22nd to adopt the five-year plan. Doug addressed the modules to replace the bathrooms at Devoe beach.
- **Planning Commission** – Mike Cherveney gave an update on the survey for the Master plan update. Next meeting is January 26th.
- **Library Report**
Kelsey advised that she teaches Tech talk (computer classes) classes on every Monday at 3:30. Will have fine forgiveness for Veterans on Veteran’s Day. Kelsey also brought forward the Fiscal Agency agreement. It establishes the Township as the fiscal agent for the Library as required by law. Motion to approve the resolution to adopt the agreement made by Kramer, supported by Balazovic .
Roll call:
Kramer, yes
Webb, yes
Ridley, yes
Balazovic, yes
Vance, yes
All in favor. Supervisor declared the Resolution approved.
- **Sewer Report**
Special Assessment Resolution No.1 for Residential Sewer Phase 2 Special Assessment District.
Members Present: Bob Kramer, Dawn Webb, Mike Ridley, Bobbi Balazovic, Janet Vance
Members absent: none Kramer abstain
Resolution offered by Member Mike Ridley and support by Member Janet Vance
 - Approves the preparation of plans by Performance engineers Inc showing the improvement, the location and estimates of cost.
 - Tentatively declares the Township Boards intention to make the public improvements.
 - Tentatively designates as the special assessment district.
 - Sets the Public hearing for January 3rd, 2023 @ 7:00 pm to hear objections to the petitions
 - Authorizes the Clerk to publish the notice of hearing.
 Roll Call:
Webb, yes
Ridley, yes
Balazovic, yes
Vance, yes
Supervisor declared Resolution declared adopted.
- **Chamber Director Shiloh Slomsky**
 - Shilo is the new Director for both the Chamber and the Visitors Bureau which is a newly developed partnership. She will be bringing in MEDC employees to work community development and business replenishment and growth. Working toward

- Closing for Commerce Park lot. Motion by Vance and supported by Webb to approve a resolution for Treasurer and/or Supervisor to sign closing docs for Commerce Park lot with the removal of the sentence “to mortgage certain real property”.
- Roll call:
- Kramer, yes
- Webb, yes
- Ridley, yes
- Balazovic, yes
- Vance, yes

All in favor motion carried

- Ethics/Conflict of Interest Policy
 - Motion made by Balazovic, support by Kramer to send the ethics/conflict of interest policy to the Attorney to be revised to better reflect what we are doing in the office with respect to dual employment, and not doing with respect to ethics and still comply with requirements for USDA. All in favor
- Dockage Project
 - Motion made by Balazovic, support by Kramer by for Bob to contact the Tribe and Mike to contact Amy to ask to move the sculpture in front of the building. All in favor
- Board Motion regarding split at county boat launch
 - Motion made by Kramer, support by Vance to turn down the split request. All in favor.
- Jane McGinnis – Indian River Flows project
 - Jane discussed the new Channel that they created on Youtube called Indian River Flows. They feel that this is the most cost efficient and easy way to make the meetings available to the public. They also want to do oral histories.
[Youtube.com/@Indianriverflows](https://www.youtube.com/@Indianriverflows)
- Assessor Position/Correspondence
 - Clerk Webb called Brooke Millebrant to discuss her test results and she passed her level III. She is still interested in looking at a proposal. Motion by Webb , supported by Vance to appoint Mike and Bobbi as the selecting officials for the Assessor position, Clerk/Treasurer to place ad in Cheboygan, Petoskey and Gaylord papers as well as Township website, MTA community page and GLAD if possible.
- Citizens Comments
 - There were three citizen comments
- Board Comments
 - There were three board comments.
- Motion to Adjourn