

Tuscarora Township Board
3546 S. Straits Hwy., Indian River, MI 49749
June 29, 2023 @ 6:30 PM
Annual Meeting of Electors Minutes

- Meeting called to Order at 6:30 PM by Supervisor Kramer.
- Present: Clerk Reidsma, Supervisor Kramer
- Motion to accept the 2022 Minutes by Pat McGinnis, supported by Allen Maves, all in favor, motion carried.
- There were 15 public comments
- D. Webb – spoke on Michigan Election Law in regard to electing additional trustees.
- P. McGinnis – commented on Budget Appropriations Act, that requires all to follow policy manual & code of ethics, conflicts with 1st amendment rights.
- C. Doty – recognized the Townships accomplishments this past year with emphasis on Transparency.
- L. Hull – recognized Pat McGinnis for his efforts to record / make public Township meetings, asked that we imagine how we might communicate to the community without a newspaper, and thanked Janet Vance as a champion of Transparency.
- D. Kesolowski – commented on short term rentals (history, tourism, & need for better communication between owners, renters, neighbors, etc).
- W. Miller – commented on tourism and short-term rentals and issues to be addressed.
- T. Layman – he owns property adjoining the Airport and shared concerns with planned forestry on Airport property being clear cut.
- Beth Henderson – questioned the Board’s lack of answers for her questions and need for short-term rental regulations.
- Patti Hoffman – Boyne City native prefers Indian River, communication with community, and a response to mis-information circulating within community.
- T. Layman – she shared her concerns with Board behavior, decisions behind closed doors, causing distrust.
- C. Coulter – congratulated the new board for it’s fiscal responsibility and for not bowing to the vocal minority.
- K. Rutkowski – find a means to post factual information rather than engage in the spread of mis-information.
- S. Snyder – Enjoys receiving Board packets ahead of meeting and concerned about the need for change being a “tell” versus the board listening to public input – example airport clear-cut.
- K. Pearson – We will work to bring community together, balanced positive approach, with less negativity.
- R. Kramer – Visit the Township website for community happenings, volunteer recognition, and announced the need for a Township Manager with Supervisor wanting to reduce salary to help pay for this.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM.

Prepared by Clerk Jay Reidsma.

Copies of meeting minutes are available upon request from Township Clerk or available on Township web site.