

**MINUTES OF THE TUSCOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY,
DECEMBER 20, 2005, AT 7:00 P.M.**

The meeting was brought to order by the Supervisor, Tod Fackler, at 7:00 P.M.

Roll call-Present: Bergdolt, Fackler, Bishop, Olson and Blasius.

Fackler added item d. Tuscola County Planning Commission to the agenda.

Olson made a motion to accept the November 22, 2005, minutes as written and this motion was seconded by Bergdolt. Carried.

Fackler read the December minutes of the Planning Commission.

Fackler reported that the Board of Appeals will be holding meetings the third Wednesday of March and September.

The Parks and Recreation will hold meetings the first Monday of every month.

The VAAS meeting will hold meetings the third Thursday of every month.

Schmandt submitted pictures of the blight violation for property on VanCleve Rd. Mr. and Mrs. Royce Russell and Mr. Jeremy Wheeler were present because of the receipt of a final notice letter. Mr. Wheeler explained that he had purchased the property from Mr. Russell June 3, 2005, on a land contract but a Quit Claim Deed had been issued and recorded. The Township had received no notice of this change of ownership. Mr. Wheeler requested that an extension be granted for six months. Fackler made a motion to grant the extension to August 1, 2006, with the provision that the exterior of the home will be completed. This motion was seconded by Blasius. Carried.

After some discussion concerning the Land Division Procedures, Fackler will contact attorney to add language that would place a date one year from the Township Reviewer's signature.

Fackler made a motion to turn down the Sign Ordinance due to lack of changes requested. This motion was seconded by Bishop. Carried.

Bishop made a motion to indicate what part of the proposed sign ordinance that was refused needs to be amended. This motion was seconded by Bergdolt. Carried. The board was requested to bring to the January meeting the areas of concern with the Sign Ordinance and these will be discussed and forwarded to the Planning Commission.

Bishop made a motion to request bids for 2006 work on the following roads: VanCleave-Hart to Richville, Lorenzo-Weaver to Simpson, Lorenzo- Simpson to Waterman, Richville-Truax to Weaver, Richville-Frankenmuth to Truax. Blasius seconded this motion. Carried.

Fackler explained that Charter Communications has two companies within the township. The service from Vassar has not been charging the township tax for their customer the past year which was effective last January. Bergdolt made a motion to authorize Charter to collect the delinquent taxes from their customers. This motion was supported by Bishop. Carried.

The Parks and Recreation Board submitted a proposal requesting monies for Spicer Group to begin the process of obtaining a grant. The deadline for these grants is April 1, 2006. Blasius made a motion to approve the Spicer Group proposal of \$3,000.00 to apply for the recreation grants. This motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

Fackler reported that the T.C.R.C. public hearing for the proposed improvements of enclosed drainage to Main St. from Ormes to Loren Road will be Thursday, December 29, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. at the T.C.R.C. office at 1733 S. Mertz Rd., Caro, MI.

Fackler reported that a letter from the Tuscola County Planning Commission was received that stated that an anonymous note and clipping was received by the Tuscola County Planning Commission at their December 7, 2005 meeting. The Secretary was directed to send this to the Tuscola Township Planning Commission stating that there must be a formal request from the Township if there is to be consideration made by the Tuscola County Planning Commission. Fackler will bring a written directive to the January meeting that will request the Planning Commission to send proper written notification of any changes that they have proposed.

Bills were presented in the amount of \$97,113.22. Olson made a motion to accept these bills for payment. This motion was seconded by Blasius. Roll call – yes-Olson, Bergdolt, Fackler, Blasius, and Bishop.

The meeting was adjourned by 10:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Blasius, Clerk

Tod Fackler, Supervisor