

**MINUTES OF THE TUSCOLA TOWNSHIP HELD ON JANUARY 17, 2006, AT
7:00 P.M.**

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

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

Fackler added two items to the agenda: The members of the Tuscola County Road Commission at the beginning of unfinished business and item i which is the transcript of the hearing held December 29, 2005, for the Main Street drain project.

Bergdolt made a motion to accept the December minutes as written and this motion was seconded by Bishop. Carried.

Fackler read the minutes of the Planning Commission.

Fackler reported that the minutes for Nov. 3 and Dec. 14, 2005, for the Tuscola County Economic Development meetings have been received and are on file.

Schmandt distributed the zoning administrator's quarterly report.

Jack Laurie, Jay Tuckey and Roger Adams from the Tuscola County Road Commission were present. They were present for the purpose of attending a township meeting and to answer any questions the board or residents might have. Earl Begg inquired about the decision concerning the change of speed for Cottrell Rd. Mr. Laurie will investigate the information and will respond to Fackler.

The petition to abandon and discontinue the eight portions of platted road right of ways in the Village of Tuscola was signed by the required 7 freeholders.

Fackler reported that the adjacent landowner letters had been mailed for township property with a requested reply by March 1, 2006.

Bishop made a motion to table the Sign Ordinance until the February meeting to allow time for the board to review and make recommendations and this motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

Fackler read a draft letter to all boards of the Tuscola Township stating the necessity of adopting a Uniform Written Method of Communication to be used and initiated as policy. The Tuscola Township Planning Commission will be asked to create this document that will be furnished to the Township Board by June 15, 2006 for review. The various boards would then adopt and initiate this policy as soon as possible but no later than December 31, 2006.

Fackler reported that the school bus stop ahead signs have been placed on Ormes Rd. and billing will be directed to the requesting party.

Copies of the transcript for the Main Street public hearing were distributed to the Township Board. After some discussion, Fackler made a motion to investigate setting up a special assessment district to pay the cost for this drainage project. This motion was seconded by Bishop. Carried.

Fackler made a motion to table the Social Security Privacy Policy until the February meeting to allow the Township Board time to review the requirements to comply with this mandated privacy policy. This motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

Fackler reported that the township well passed both bacteria and nitrate test in January.

Bergdolt made a motion to keep salaries at last year's amount and this motion was supported by Bishop. Carried.

Fackler reported that the Tuscola County Chapter of the MTA will be holding their quarterly meeting at the Elmwood Township Fire Hall on January 26, 2006, at 7:00 P.M.

Bills were submitted in the amount of \$28,284.42. Olson made a motion to accept these bills for payment and this motion was seconded by Blasius. Roll Call-Yes-Olson, Bergdolt, Fackler, Blasius and Bishop.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Blasius, Clerk

Tod Fackler, Supervisor