

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TUSCOLA TOWNSHIP  
BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2008, 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 approval of budget under unfinished business, item d.

Bergdolt made a motion to approve the minutes of the February meeting with the correction of the date of the budget meeting from March 4<sup>th</sup> to March 7<sup>th</sup> and this motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

Roger Taylor was present to request permission from the township to connect a drainage tube from his basement to the township drain that runs beside his property. The township board had previously granted this request and has not changed this decision.

Fackler read the minutes of the Planning Commission.

Fackler reported that the Board of Appeals will be holding a meeting on Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 P.M.

The Zoning Administrator, Dennis Schmandt, gave a verbal report. He stated that two permits have been issued recently and the blight inspections will be resumed.

Fackler stated that he has instructed the attorney to proceed on the property purchased by the Tuscola Community Church as soon as possible.

The Board received packets containing the bids for engineer's assistance for the updating of the ordinances. This will be reviewed by the board and addressed at the April meeting.

Fackler stated that the township will complete 3 miles of road construction this next fiscal year. After researching the proposed roads, a decision will be reached at the April meeting.

The following millage will be set for the next year: Fire Millage-.75, Ambulance-\$24.00 per household, Gargage-\$124.00 per household.

Bishop made a motion to approve the 2008-2009 budget and this motion was seconded by Bergdolt. Roll call: yes-Olson, Bergdolt, Fackler, Blasius, and Bishop.

A sample of an Outdoor Gathering Ordinance was distributed and will be reviewed at the April meeting.

Fackler recommended Gary Hicks to serve on the Board of Appeals. Blasius made a motion to appoint Gary Hicks and this motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

Bergdolt made a motion to re-appoint Mark O'Connor and David Bushong to serve on the Parks and Recreation. This motion was seconded by Bishop. Carried.

Blasius made a motion to re-appoint Jim Shoens to serve on the Board of Appeals and this motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

Blasius made a motion to appoint Craig Kirkpatrick to the Planning Commission and this motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

The Tuscola County Board of Commissioners activity report for January was distributed.

Blasius made a motion to continue to retain Second National Bank for the depository for township funds and this motion was seconded by Bishop. Carried.

Bishop made a motion to raise mileage from \$.48 per mile to \$.505 per mile. This motion was seconded by Bergdolt. Carried.

Bills were presented in the amount of \$24,571.38. It was moved by Olson and seconded by Blasius to accept these bills for payment. Roll call: yes-Bergdolt, Fackler, Bishop, Olson and Blasius.

Blasius made a motion to correct the budget in the following areas: \$500.00 from Supervisor's Expense to Assessor's Expense, \$50.00 from Drains at Large to Clerk's Expense, \$500.00 from Drains at Large to Elections, \$1,000 from Drains at Large to Grounds Keepers, \$100.00 from Drains at Large to Tax Roll Preparation, \$25.00 from Drains at Large to Treasurer's Expense, \$50.00 from Drains at Large to Planning Commission and \$100.00 from Drains at Large to Zoning Administrator's Expense. This motion was seconded by Bishop. Carried.

After some discussion concerning the gifting of a cemetery lot to Cyril Haines and spouse because of his nearly 40 years of being sexton, it was decided to contact the township attorney for an opinion.

This meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Blasius, Clerk

Tod Fackler, Supervisor