

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE TUSCOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2011, AT 7:00 P.M.

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

Roll call: Bushong, Fackler, Bishop, Olson and Blasius.

Bushong made a motion to approve the agenda and this motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

Bushong made a motion to approve the May 17, 2011, minutes and this motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

Bushong reported that the Parks and Recreation Board will hold their meeting on June 27th instead of July 4th. He stated that a survey is available for residents to provide input regarding recreational facilities in Tuscola Township.

Kim Bishop and Ruth Ann Kaijala were present to report on the Ambulance Board activities. Many concerns and questions were addressed and some issues will be forwarded on to the Ambulance Board.

The Zoning Administrator distributed the June blight list. There was some discussion on the issue of high weeds and lawns that were not mowed. Fackler will contact our attorney to determine if we have any options to bill for having a mowing service or if cost could be included in the tax bill. Schmandt would like to change the policy for the high weeds so this problem can be addressed in a timelier manner.

Fackler will contact the attorney concerning the need to readopt an ordinance to establish a Planning Commission before July 1, 2011.

Fackler reported that the DEQ permit had been received for the Cass River Greenway Water Trail Development and this project should be able to be put out for bids by late summer.

Fackler stated that the T.C.R.C. has reviewed the 4th Street and Church Street curve and found the existing single arrow signs were installed in 1990. They will install two new single arrow signs with updated reflective sheeting and add 3' yellow sign post panels. Fackler will forward this notification to the Hunts.

Agreements were signed in regards to the road spraying. A total of 3.76 miles will be sprayed at a cost of \$912.63. The Road Commission is offering a 50% cost share for the 2011 season. A copy of the Tuscola County Road Commission 2010 Financial report is available for review.

Fackler and Ryan Londrigan from AKTPeerless have determined the Cass River sampling sites will be behind the Vassar Cemetery, at the proposed canoe launch in Tuscola and behind David Auernhamer's home. A sample will be taken in June, July and August at these sites.

Fackler will contact the T.C.R.C. and Mike Hoagland to see if there would be a possibility to contract with the county for pickup of tires that have been discarded in township ditches.

Fackler stated that he will be meeting with Julius Suchy, Vassar city manager, concerning the fire funding issue and the updating of the current fire contract on June 24, 2011, at 1:00 p.m.

Fackler reported that Mary Lou Hoover, a resident on Church St., had a drain problem and has corrected this problem by hooking into the church drain next to her residence.

Phil Kerns, Frankenmuth City Clerk, will be invited to a meeting with the Township Board on September 20, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss possibly joining the Frankenmuth construction code inspection authority.

Fackler stated that Don Beavers, Mayville village manager, has inquired if Tuscola Township would be interested in participating in an energy assurance plan with the village and possibly other communities. No action was taken at this time.

Abbey and Abbey and the MTA will be contacted concerning the ability for the township to charge a different rate for townships that currently are part of VAAS as opposed to those who do not pay a subsidy fee.

Bills were presented in the amount of \$12,425.04. It was moved by Olson and seconded by Blasius to accept these bills for payment. Roll call: Yes-Bishop, Olson, Bushong, Blasius and Fackler.

It was moved by Bishop and seconded by Fackler to have Albrecht's Auction sell the remaining lawn mower, dump trailer and pole saw. Carried.

It was determined because a grave had to be prepared on Father's day, the Sexton David Erbisch will have the township's permission to adopt a policy concerning burials on the weekend or holidays.

Gary Hicks was present to express a thank you to David Erbisch for the spreading of the mulch and an apology that he did not have help from the Citizen's Council for this project. The garbage contract will be addressed at the July meeting. Gary also expressed concern over standing water in his yard due to the bridge being rebuilt on Loren Rd. He was advised that problems similar to this have been corrected when a resident brings a law suit against the road commission.

This meeting was adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Blasius, Clerk

Tod Fackler, Supervisor