

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE TUSCOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY,
FEBRUARY 25, 2014, AT 1:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by the Supervisor, Tod Fackler, at 1:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present-Hicks, Fackler, Verbeek, Olson and Blasius.

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

Olson made a motion to approve the minutes of the January meeting and this motion was seconded by Hicks. Carried.

Commissioner Craig Kirkpatrick informed the board of a plan to transfer 600 acres to the county that is located off M-81 to be used for recreation. This project would be utilizing volunteers to accomplish the goals and would not cost the county any monies. They are also trying to downsize the county government through attrition and by using technology in more creative ways.

Hicks reported on the Planning Commission meeting. John Bishop inquired about the deaf child sign that has been in his yard for years. Fackler will check with Michelle at T.C.R.C. because the residence of the deaf child is located in Vassar Township.

Verbeek reported on the Parks and Recreation Board. They held the Public Hearing to take public comment on the grant application for the river walk project. This meeting was followed by a budget workshop session. The board asked to have the Parks and Recreation board members added to the web site and who to contact to rent the pavilion.

Fackler reported that the last scheduled meeting of the VAAS was cancelled due to a lack of a quorum.

Library Director, Eric Andreychuk and the township's library representatives, Connie Currell and Sandy Keyes were present to give the township board an annual update of the Bullard-Sanford Memorial Library. Director Andreychuk

distributed a packet of information regarding the usage of the library. The library also hosts meetings and programs during the year.

The Zoning Administrator, Tom Asperger, distributed the Zoning Administrator's report for February. He reported on the progress of the blight cleanup located on Sohn Road.

Fackler reported that he will be contacting Ryan from AKTPeerless regarding the river sampling soon.

Fackler also reported that he will be receiving data concerning the accident counts for the Ormes and Bray Road intersection. There will be research done to see if anything will improve the visibility of this intersection.

Fackler stated that the surveyor placed a stake on the old Wescoat property only as a reference point and it does not indicate where the lot lines are located.

The attorney is reviewing the Vassar Fire Agreement and this will be tabled until the March meeting.

Sandy Keyes inquired about details concerning MMR. The township residents are paying for the ambulance service to be in our township and the new program will pay the insurance deductible of residents if the service is used.

Fackler reported that the City of Vassar is pursuing a canoe launch and would like for the township to provide a resolution so they could pursue a grant. This will be addressed at the March meeting.

Olson reported that a company that shreds documents will come to the hall for \$75.00 for a 96 gallon container and would charge \$5.00 a box for material brought to their location in Saginaw. There was some discussion concerning the disposal of documents that can be destroyed.

Asperger stated that someone had inquired about the possibility of extending natural gas lines in more of the township. Fackler will contact Consumers to see if this would be a potential project.

Bills were presented in the amount of \$13,746.32. Olson made a motion to accept these bills for payment and this motion was seconded by Blasius. Roll call: Yes-Olson, Blasius, Verbeek, Hicks and Fackler.

The Budget Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 26, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.

This meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Blasius, Clerk

Tod Fackler, Supervisor