

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE TUSCOLA TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY,
APRIL 15, 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 March meeting and this motion was seconded by Hicks. Carried.

Craig Kirkpatrick reported that the T.C.R.C. has been given a grant for lighting at the Bray and Ormes intersection.

Brad Barrett, Vassar City Manager, gave a brief update of the City of Vassar.

Hicks reported that the Planning Commission met and had no new business.

The Board of Appeals will meet on Wednesday, April 16, 2014, at 7:00 p.m.

The Parks and Recreation Board submitted the DNR Grant application for the river walk project before the April 1st deadline.

Fackler reported that the VAAS and Bullard-Sanford Library minutes are on file for review.

Fackler gave the Zoning Administrator's report in the absence of the zoning administrator. No new zoning permits were issued in April. The property located at 5146 Sohn Rd. has been issued the third blight letter.

Fackler reported on the annual Construction Code Meeting held on March 26th. They are collecting data to be forwarded to the state.

The BS&A proposal to have the township tax and assessment information accessed from our web page is progressing well. This should be implemented within a short time.

Fackler reported that Consumers Energy suggest we define pockets of businesses/residents who are interested in converting to natural gas. Fackler will try to obtain a map that will show where the township already has natural gas available.

After some discussion concerning the fire contract with the City of Vassar, Fackler made a motion to table this contract for further negotiations. This motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

Olson made a motion to provide a tire collection site and to authorize Fackler to meet with Mike Miller as to time, date and personnel. This motion was seconded by Verbeek. Carried.

Fackler stated that a request for a street light at the Truax and Frankenmuth Rd. intersection had been submitted. After some discussion it was decided that this intersection did not merit a street light at this time.

After some discussion concerning future road work to be done, Verbeek made a motion to have .083 mile of Hart Rd., VanCleve to Frankenmuth Rd. in the amount of \$82,254.30, completed this summer. This motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

Fackler is obtaining cost estimates for G I S mapping. This would be very beneficial to the township and would allow the township to do our own tax mapping and update the changes. It would show current features like existing drains, roads, street lights, natural gas lines and also any proposed projects.

A bid was submitted from Creative Lawn and Landscaping for the improvement of the old cemetery roads. The material costs would be \$625.00 per train load and labor would be \$85.00 per train load. Blasius made a motion to retain the services of Creative Lawn and Landscaping and this motion was seconded by Olson. Carried.

The township lawn and waste pickup is scheduled for Thursday, May 8th.

The next township board meeting will be held on May 13th instead of May 20 because of a scheduling conflict.

Bills were presented in the amount of \$21,053.38. Olson made a motion to accept these bills for payment and this motion was seconded by Blasius. Roll call: Yes-Fackler, Verbeek, Olson, Blasius and Hicks.

This meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Blasius, Clerk

Tod Fackler, Supervisor

