

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
TUSCARORA TOWNSHIP BOARD
Tuesday September 6, 2011**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Ridley with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: McGinnis, Balazovic, Ridley, Waldron, Fisher

Members Absent: None

17 citizens were in attendance.

Minutes of the regular meeting held Tuesday, August 2, 2011, were approved as previously published.

Clerk Fisher moved and Trustee Waldron seconded to adopt the agenda with the addition of Item 13 bridge progress report. Motion carried.

Police Report: Chief Wagner reported that the suspects are in custody on the VFW break-in, the Expedition replacement has been delivered, calls on the Green Dock were down some this year and 12 tickets have been written so far this year at the boat launch.

Committee reports:

DDA: The Pathway Project will be ready for a spring bid letting, a proposed streetscape design has been submitted to local business owners for input and a public hearing on the proposed streetscapes will be held Monday, September 20th at 7:00 p.m. **Planning Commission:** Craig reported that the County Commissioners will be reviewing the proposed Village Center Zoning at their next meeting. **Marina Park:** The contract for the boat launch paving is ready to be signed, still awaiting final approval from the DNR Waterways Division. The lowering of the trail and removal of the River St. viaduct is scheduled to begin the 31st of October with a November 14th completion date. **Parks:** The vault restrooms have been constructed at DeVoe beach. Supervisor Ridley complimented Jim Purtill and his staff on how great all the township grounds look. **Beautification:** Jim Burke is the new chairperson of the Beautification Committee; meetings will be held the second Monday of the month at 5:15 p.m. at the township hall. Bobbi reported that the committee is looking for someone to fill the position vacated by Bill Jones.

Airport Manager Report- No report.

Treasurer Balazovic reported that the general accounts have \$685,134.34; the tax accounts \$287,105.80 without interest.

Dave Gabrish and John Studer requested the use of Marina Park for registration and dinner for an ATV/ORV fall color ride on Saturday, October 8th. The Marina Park Commission recommended a fee of \$100 for use of the park and a \$200 deposit. Trustee Waldron moved to approve the use of Marina Park providing the insurance company has no problems with the waiver submitted by Fishweb. Treasurer Balazovic seconded the motion and it carried with five ayes.

Trustee McGinnis presented a video sponsored for NLEA with the purpose of attracting small businesses to Cheboygan County. The Indian River, Mackinaw City and the City of Cheboygan were all involved in the making of the video.

Supervisor Ridley read Resolution No. 5 for Hemlock St. and East Fisher Woods Road confirming the special assessment roll and indicating the terms of payment. A copy is available for review in the Clerk's office. Trustee Waldron moved to adopt Resolution No. 5, Trustee McGinnis seconded and a roll call vote was taken: McGinnis, yes; Balazovic, yes; Ridley, yes; Fisher, yes; Waldron, yes.

Supervisor Ridley reviewed the progress schedule of the new Indian River Bridge. Mobilization is scheduled to begin October 31st, structure removal begins November 15th and open to traffic with gravel by April 17th. This is the schedule presented at the preconstruction meeting and is still the schedule of record.

Citizen comments: Will there be a bridge walk? Will we be taking the dock out under the bridge? Does the Fire Department have plans for stationing something north of the bridge during construction?

Trustee Waldron moved to pay the bills, Treasurer Balazovic seconded and it carried unanimously.

Trustee Waldron moved to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Susan L. Fisher, Clerk

Michael Ridley, Supervisor