

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
TUSCARORA TOWNSHIP BOARD
April 3, 2018 – Approved May 1, 2018**

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

Roll Call by Clerk Fisher. Board members present were Mike Ridley, Supervisor; Susan Fisher, Clerk; Bobbi Balazovic, Treasurer; Trustees Craig Waldron and Janet Vance. A quorum of the board was present.

The March 6, 2018 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Waldron moved, and Fisher seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Public comments on agenda items began at 7:02 p.m. Comments were heard from one citizen. Public comment ended at 7:04 p.m.

Police Report

Chief Temple thanked the Indian River Womens Club for purchasing a mobile radar sign. The new server was installed today. Finishing up snowmobile patrol and submitting the final paperwork for reimbursement to the DNR.

School Resource Officer – Officer LaLonde is doing a great job at the school. He has an office in each building and is starting to get involved in the classrooms and he has signed up for specialized training for the position.

Chief Temple submitted his cost estimate for the 2018/2019 school year, the school would pick up the cost for nine months and the township for three. The additional cost to the township would be approximately \$24,000.00 which is a .11 mill increase.

Motion by Waldron and seconded by Vance to approve the additional \$24,000 expense. Motion carried.

Committee/Commission Reports

DDA – Still working on the streetscape, the survey has been done and should have drawings by the April meeting.

Airport Manager

The runways and taxi ways are clear now and hoping to start working on spring clean-up.

Treasurer Report

The general accounts have \$2,187,443.66 and the tax accounts have \$2,624.29 without interest.

FOIA Report

One FOIA request was received in March.

Sewer Report

Mead & Hunt has concluded the extra testing work effective March 30th. The numbers have been consistently within the DEQ parameters. Tammi will be trimming back to the scope of work hours for April but if any extra hours are required they will contact us first. Tammi has been visiting restaurants and bars discussing grease trap maintenance.

The Mead & Hunt invoice for February was \$9100.00 of which \$5655.00 was within the contract scope. Of the \$3445 out of scope Ridley and Fisher recommend that \$2431 is Gourdie-Fraser's responsibility.

Motion by Waldron and supported by Balazovic to approve the \$2431.00 recommendation for reimbursement from Gourdie-Fraser. Motion carried.

We have received two bids for biosolid hauling with land application. BioTech bid \$17,500.00 and Michigan AgriBusiness bid \$12,845.00.

Motion by Fisher and seconded by Balazovic to approve the \$12,845.00 bid from Michigan AgriBusiness. Motion carried.

Heating System Discussion

A request for repair blossomed into the realization that our HVAC system needs an overhaul. We will obtain a proposal and recommendation from a Mechanical Engineer for a bid package for a new system.

Radar Sign

Ridley submitted the quotation for an AC Power Radar Sign for \$3,170 and a quotation of \$1,790 for the required electrical work.

Motion by Vance and seconded by Balazovic to approve up to \$5,000.00 to purchase and install a sign that will be split equally with the DDA, the Police Department and the Township. Motion carried.

Public comment began at 7:44 p.m. Comments were received from five citizens. Public comment ended at 7:50 p.m.

Board members comments: Fisher asked Chief Temple questions on the Resource Officer contract, Waldron requested that we look further into a solar generated radar sign.

Motion by Balazovic and seconded by Waldron to pay the bills and approve the general ledger transactions. Motion carried with five ayes.

Waldron moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

Susan Fisher, Clerk

Michael Ridley, Supervisor