

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
TUSCARORA TOWNSHIP BOARD
December 5, 2017 – Approved January 2, 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 November 7, 2017 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

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

Public comments on agenda items – no public comments were received.

Police Report: Still waiting to hear on the snowmobile grant. A snowmobile safety class was held earlier in the month.

Committee/Commission Reports:

DDA – New signs have been purchased for the Pathway and are ready to be installed. Updates on the DDA will be posted on the Township’s website and a meeting has been scheduled for both January 15th and January 16th to receive public input on a preliminary streetscape design. **Marina Park** – No report.

Airport Manager - A power line is down at the airport; Consumers has been contacted.

Treasurer Report – Tax bills have been sent out. The general accounts have \$1,419,310.07 and the tax accounts have \$12,763.87.

Correspondence - An email was received today from Consumers with estimates to convert the mercury vapor lights to more energy efficient fixtures with led lights. The cost to replace 32 of our fixtures is \$3,036.00. The estimated monthly savings would be \$341.00. The estimate payback period is less than a year.

Motion by Waldron and supported by Balazovic to convert the 32 mercury vapor lights to the led fixtures. Motion carried.

FOIA Report – No report this month.

Humane Society Contract

Discussion held, both for and against, on the annual contract for animal control services.

Motion by Waldron and supported by Balazovic to approve the \$1,000.00 contract with the Human Society. Motion carried with four ayes and one nay.

Federal Poverty Guidelines and Resolution

Supervisor Ridley presented the Township Board Resolution to Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test.

Motion by Balazovic and supported by Fisher to adopt the Resolution to Adopt Federal Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test. A roll call vote was taken: Vance, yes; Waldron, yes; Fisher, yes; Balazovic, yes; Ridley, yes. Motion carried.

Emergency Response Procedures

Trustee Vance presented the emergency response procedures for the sewer distribution system that she compiled with the help of Mike Kavanaugh, Dave Walters and Jason Karmol. She recommends the procedures to be included in the Tuscarora Township O & M Manual.

Township Wide Trash Pickup Contract

Supervisor Ridley has been approached by several residents who are interested in a township wide trash pickup service. Ridley will obtain additional information and present it to the board when he has obtained pricing.

Mead & Hunt Operating Agreement

Supervisor Ridley presented the M&H Facility Standard Agreement for Wasterwater O & M contract which has been reviewed and revised by our attorney, Rob Huth.

Motion by Waldron and supported by Vance to approve the Operating Agreement as presented. Motion carried.

Census

In September the board voted to participate in the 2020 local update of census addresses. Since that time Fisher has done more research and spoke to more clerks and does not believe that the amount of work required to participate is worthwhile.

Motion by Vance and supported by Waldron to not participate in the 2020 Census local update of census addresses. Motion carried.

Republic Services Agreement

Republic Services has submitted a new 36-month service agreement for weekly pickup service. Fisher confirmed with Republic that the automatic renewal maybe eliminated from the agreement.

Motion by Fisher and supported by Vance to approve the Republic Services Customer Service Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

BOR Meeting Dates Resolution

Supervisor Ridley presented a Resolution that allows the scheduling of the July and December Roads of Review any day during the week commencing with the third Monday of July and commencing with the second Monday in December.

Motion by Balazovic and seconded by Vance to adopt the resolution as presented. A roll call vote was taken: Vance, yes; Balazovic, yes; Ridley, yes; Fisher, yes; Waldron, yes. Resolution adopted.

Public comment began at 7:42 p.m. Comments were heard from two citizens. Public comment ended at 7:44 p.m.

Board members comments: No comments.

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

Waldron moved to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

Susan Fisher, Clerk

Michael Ridley, Supervisor