

**Regular Scheduled Board Meeting**  
**Columbia Township Library**  
**Community Meeting Room**  
**August 15, 2016**

The supervisor called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Board Members Present:** Christine Kolar, Ed Spannagel, Christina Parmenter, Michael Findlay, Kathy Trischler

**Absent:**

**Others Present:** Michele Zaverucha, Tuscola Co. Road Comm (8:30-8:50), Jason Haag, Resident, (8:30- Andrew Dietrich, Tuscola Co. Advertiser (8:30 -10:00), JoAnn Lakie (8:30-9:10), Briynne McCrea, library director (10:00-10:45)

Minutes of July 18, 2016 were approved as printed.

**COMMUNICATION**

- Recycling truck was available to residents and the truck was a majority full. Many tires were able to be removed from the community.

**ROADS**

Michele Zaverucha, Tuscola Co. Road Commission, reported information from the recent public hearing regarding planned road work for Huron Line Rd from M-25 to French Rd.

- o A request was made for a residential driveway rather than to share drive with farm access. Resident would be required to pay for the tube for the drive.
- o Request for the direction of drain to have it diverted to the county drain to avoid current issues with drainage. Cost would be around an additional \$10,000. It was the consensus of the board that it would be best to direct the drain to the county drain in order to avoid current issues with the roadside with collection of water.
- o Zaverucha stated that a variance was approved for Elson Bauer, resident of French Rd., by the Road Commission to place other material by Bauer's drive to avoid stones on property. Bauer will be paying for the material.

**FOIA REQUEST**

A FOIA request was received from Andrew Diederich, The Tuscola County Advertiser. Kolar informed the board of information on the request and also of a request for an extension.

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

Spannagel provided a list of terms for the planning commission and board of review members along with their expiration term dates.

**AUDIT REVIEW**

JoAnn Lakie, Nietzke & Faupel, PC, provided a review of the audit for the township as of March 31, 2016. All financial information is in good standing as presented in the report.

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### **LIBRARY**

- The summer reading program has come to an end with great participation.
- Weekly story hour for preschoolers continues to have a good showing with an average of 10 kids each week.
- Stories & S.T.E.A.M. is a slightly different take on last year's After School Fun program. It will be incorporating science, technology, engineering, arts and math as the new program to offer after school.

### **PA 116 REQUEST**

Motion by Spannagel, second by Kolar to pass a resolution granting approval to Schulz Trust #1, owners John and Dianne Schulz, to enter 12.0 acres of property in section 9 of Columbia Township into PA 116. Roll Call Vote Ayes: Spannagel, Kolar, Parmenter, Findlay, Trischler Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Trischler, second by Findlay to pass a resolution granting approval to Jason Haag, property owner, to enter 10 acres of section 22 into PA 116. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Spannagel, Kolar, Parmenter, Findlay, Trischler Nays: None Motion carried.

### **AMBULANCE SERVICE**

- Water lines are looking to be installed through the village for the building project.
- A contract between the three townships is in process of being completed by Taylor, Butterfield P.C. for review by the three entities.

### **ELECTION**

Kolar provided election results for the August 2<sup>nd</sup> Primary. The library millage renewal went through and elections for the Republican Township Trustee position showed David DeSimpelare and Dara McGarry receiving the most votes.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Fire department bills were presented for approval. Motion by Kolar, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Findlay to approve the bills presented in the amount of \$3,157.76. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Kathy provided an agreement for review the fire department to enter into an agreement for Michigan Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Association. This would be a definite and prearranged plan whereby response and assistance is provided to a Requesting Party by an Assisting Party to furnish equipment, personnel and/or services when assistance is needed, such as in a major disaster. The agreement will be reviewed prior to the next meeting.

### **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

#### **Monthly bills**

Motion by Kolar, second by Findlay to pay the following bills as presented: Payroll \$ 5,879.75 and Accounts Payable \$11,673.99 Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.

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Christine Kolar, Columbia Twp. Clerk

Next regularly scheduled meeting is September 19, 2016 at 8:30 AM