



# Tuscola County Parks & Recreation Commission

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## MINUTES

Wednesday, December 18, 2013 – 8:00 a.m.

Commissioner's Board Room, 125 W. Lincoln St, Caro

### Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting was called to order by Lisa Valentine at 8:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT: David Barrios, Sam Moore, Jerry Peterson, Lisa Valentine, Planning Commission liaison Cynthia Kapa ABSENT EXCUSED: Comm. Roger Allen, Drain Comm. liaison Bob Mantey

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:** October 16, 2103. Moved by Jerry, support by David. Motion carried.

**Approval of Agenda:** Moved by Moore, support by Petereson, to approved agenda. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Gerald Peterson reported Tuscola Township was turned down for \$400,000 grant for river walk. DNR gave out least amount of grants in recent years this past cycle.

**Review of Correspondence(s) Received:** None

### Old Business:

- 1) Master Plan Update – Discussion about removing unnecessary components to streamline plan. Possibly look at other local master plans for current inventory of parks and recreation locations. Tabled until new members are appointed to vacancies to share work load.
- 2) Review 2013/14 budgets – Income and expenses for Vanderbilt are within budgeted amounts. A line item has been added to budget for per diem and mileage for Parks & Recreation Commission members. Commission members were directed to go to personnel after today's meeting to complete required forms.
- 3) Filling two vacancies on Parks & Rec Commission – Lisa let Jodi Fetting and Mike Hoagland know about two vacancies after our October meeting. They were not filled at December 9<sup>th</sup> BOC meeting, even though applications had been received. A steering committee consisting of Commissioners Kirkpatrick and Trisch was appointed by the BOC to review statutory requirements of Parks & Recreation Commission and report back to the BOC.
- 4) Website – Reviewed substantial improvements to county website. Decided to invite ISD teachers to February meeting for their input and suggestions regarding creation of a separate parks and recreation website. Also extend an invitation to Pam Binder from Thumb Area Tourism Council to attend a future meeting.

### New Business:

- 1) Next meeting date set for Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. in the BOC room at Purdy Building.

**Adjourned at 9:15 a.m.**

### Tuscola County Parks & Recreation Commission Mission Statement

*The mission of the Tuscola County Parks & Recreation Commission is to provide and coordinate year-round recreational opportunities for people of all abilities, and to meet the needs of area residents and regional visitors while protecting wildlife and nature.*