

CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

1. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Stille at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
3. Roll call: Present: Stille, Buchanan, VanBemmelen and Suchecki, Constantine. Others present: Fire Chief Gary Dreyer and Attorney Jim Brown.
4. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to approve the minutes of August 10, 2015 Regular Meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by Constantine to approve disbursements as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Public comments were offered. None received.
7. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was heard. Supervisor Stille reported that the dedication for the M-231 bypass is still on track to be held October 23rd. Dedication for the Henry E. Plant bike and pedestrian pathway will be held October 17, 2015. Henry Plant was from Crockery Township and served in the Civil War. He was the first Congressional Medal of Honor recipient from Ottawa County. The final brining for this year will begin this Wednesday. The Township has received a grant for the North Bank Trail for \$2,500. The 4-H Club that asked to use the town hall has decided they will not meet here because they do not want to pay for the use of the meeting space. The township has received a letter from the attorney for Jeff McDonald. The township received complaints about the frequent discharging of firearms at his residence at the August board meeting. Supervisor Stille has responded to the attorney. The township had to hire mowing done at 12747 Apple Drive because it was not being taken care of by the property owner. The cost was \$150.00 and will be put on the property owners winter tax bill. There is another property on Apple Drive that has an accumulation of trash on it and the township has received notice that the Health Department is involved. A call was received from a neighbor that noticed a hose attached to a hydrant at the end of Pickett Lane. It was a 2 inch line going through the woods and running to a fish pond on property owned by Luke Britton. Since this is not allowed Mr. Britton has been billed for the estimated water used and fined. A request for an additional 6 units for Hope Network has been received. We received an invoice from Lakeshore Advantage for \$1,500.00. This is for the assistance and support we receive from Ken Rizzio with tax abatements.
8. Treasurer's Report was offered. Treasurer VanBemmelen stated that Chief Dreyer has asked to hire someone to input the medical reports for the fire department.
9. Clerk's Report was offered. We have been having problems with the commercial stove in the town hall kitchen. Parts are no longer available for this brand of stove as the manufacturer is no longer in business. Trustee Constantine will check with his contacts on what is available and pricing.
10. Fire Chief's report was given. Fire Chief Dreyer reported that the Sheriff's Department asked for a meeting with Crockery and Robinson fire departments

to work on the details of how to coordinate emergency services on the bike path on the new M-231 bridge. Chief Dreyer informed the Board that the floor drains at the station are not draining down. They are full and need to be emptied. He has gotten prices from 3 companies and recommends going with Plummers for a cost of \$1,995.00 to empty the water/oil separator and septic tank. Michigan Gas Utilities has given us a grant of \$1,700.00 to replace an aging AED unit. Property owner Peter Berghuis, at the corner of 130th and Wilson was cited for burning without a permit. He was cited before so a second hearing is scheduled for this Thursday. The Fire Department Open House will be held September 28th.

11. Committee Chair reports were offered. Dave Nelson from the FDAC reported that the committee interviewed Matthew Amaya and recommended him for hire to the fire department. The September FDAC meeting was changed to the fire station and it went well. All future committee meetings will be held at the station. The Fire Chief's annual evaluation will be held at the next FDAC meeting.
12. Board Member Committee reports were offered. None were heard.
13. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Suchecki to approve payment to Lakeshore Advantage (Ken Rizzio) for \$1,250.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
14. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by VanBemmelen to hire Aubrey Traxler to work up to 10 hours per week as an Administrative Assistant with the fire department. All in favor. Motion carried.
15. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to reschedule the October board meeting from the 12th to the 19th. All in favor. Motion carried.
16. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to hire Matthew Amaya to the fire department contingent on him successfully passing the physical and the physical agility test as recommended by the Fire Department Advisory Committee. All in favor. Motion carried.
17. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Suchecki to approve Chief Dreyer to contract with Plummers for emptying the oil/water separator tank, and emptying the septic tank at the station at a cost of \$1,995.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
18. Discussion was held on a request by the County to approve a resolution amending the Ottawa County Solid Waste Management Plan. Amended language:

The active work area for a new landfill or an expansion of an existing landfill shall not be located closer than 100 feet from adjacent property lines, road right-of-way, and 400 feet from lakes, and perennial streams or minimum state isolation distances, whichever is greater. [Currently at 500 feet for both.]

The active work area for a new landfill (currently facility) or expansion of an existing landfill (currently facility) shall not be located closer than 1,000 feet from domiciles or public schools existing at the time of submission of the application.

19. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to approve the Resolution To Approve The 2015 Amendment Of The Ottawa County Solid Waste Management Plan. Yes – 2, No – 3, resolution does not pass.
20. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Suchecki that it is determined that the vacated Cypress Street is of no value to the Township, and with that being the case, the South half will be deeded to Jack Fisher and the North half deeded to MDOT. The centerline will be the dividing factor. All in favor. Motion carried.
21. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Resolution 2015-21, Resolution To Set Prices For The Cremains Area. This sets pricing at \$200.00 for residents and \$500.00 for non- residents. Opening and closing for cremains in this area will be \$190.00. Flat individual stones no larger than 12x12 will be allowed in this area. Repurchase price for cemetery lots outside the cremains area will be set at \$300.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
22. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine that it shall be the policy of the Township that it will repurchase the number of unused burial rights that were originally purchased. All in favor. Motion carried.
23. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to get a quote from Great Lakes Subsurface LLC to do the sonar subsurface for phase 2 of the Nunica Cemetery (center part). All in favor. Motion carried.
24. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to approve the Right-Of-Way And Maintenance Agreement for Multi-Use Non-Motorized Facility within Michigan Department of Transportation Owned Right-Of-Way and authorize the Supervisor to sign. All in favor. Motion carried.
25. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Resolution 2015-23, Resolution to Approve Preliminary Plan for Phase 7
26. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to deny Condominium Phase 1 Preliminary Plan for Hathaway Lakes. All in favor. Motion carried.
27. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to deny Condominium Phase 2 Preliminary Plan for Hathaway Lakes. All in favor. Motion carried.
28. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Buchanan to approve the Bond Payments as recommended by the Treasurer. All in favor. Motion carried.
29. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:42 pm.

Submitted by

Kathy Buchanan, Clerk
Crockery Township

CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2015

1. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Stille at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
3. Roll call: Present: Stille, VanBemmelen, Suchecki, Buchanan
Absent: Constantine
4. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was heard. Supervisor Stille reported on the situation with the tanker. The tanker is not complete and the company doing the work is unresponsive to Chief Dreyer's communications. The deadline is almost past and Attorney Ross Leisman is working with Chief Dreyer on this matter.

Tanker price - \$132,777
Down Payment - \$43,973
Balance remaining - \$89,278
5. Discussion was held regarding the special assessment for sanitary sewer.
6. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Resolution 2015-25, Resolution To Redetermine Annual Special Assessment For Sanitary Sewer Special Assessment District No. 1. All in favor. Motion carried.
7. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to accept the quote from Park Gilmore, Great Lakes Subsurface LLC to scan the center section of the Nunica Cemetery at a cost of \$3,000.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
8. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to adopt Resolution 2015-26, Resolution Of Approval To Maintain The Spoonville Trail In Crockery Township. Yes – 3, No – 1, motion carried.
9. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to authorize the repurchase of two cemetery plots from Bob Johnson. The plots are located in the Nunica Cemetery, old section, block 373, row 31, plots 7 and 8. Repurchase price is \$600.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
10. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Submitted by

Kathy Buchanan, Clerk