

CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

HELD ON FEBRUARY 11, 2013

1. The meet 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, Constantine
Others Present: Township Attorney Mark Nettleton and Fire Chief Gary Dreyer.
Excuse Absence: Buchanan
4. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by Constantine to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2013 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Suchecki, to approve the disbursements as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Public hearing for the Corridor Improvement Authority District was opened by 7:05 p.m. by Supervisor Stille.

Supervisor Stille gave an overview to residents in attendance of the purpose for a Corridor Improvement Authority District. The Corridor Improvement is a tool used by local units of government for the purpose of putting funds aside for future improvements. All funds must be accounted for in its own account. After a general discussion the public hearing was closed at 7:33 p.m.

Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki, to Adopt Resolution 2013-02: Resolution to Determine whether the Development and Tax Increment Financing Plan Constitutes a Public Purpose. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen, to Adopt Resolution 2013-03: Resolution to Approve the Development and Tax Increment Financing Plan of the Corridor Improvement Authority. All in favor. Motion carried.

7. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was heard. Supervisor Stille reported that he had attended a pre-construction meeting on (ask Leon). The M-231 Project is due to resume construction in April and end in November. Updated the board on the David M. Ducham issue. Gave an invite to attend a meeting Thursday, February 14 regarding the path of the bike path on this side of the M-231 Bridge down 120th Avenue to Leonard Rd. Gave an update on the sewer plant issue. The board is invited to a meeting with the full Ottawa County Board of Commissioners and the Road Commission Board on February 21st. The sewer plant is currently serving 121 units, 29 in Cobblestone and 91 in Hathaway with 6 more houses under construction. Sale of property on Michigan and Main Street is still being worked on. Supervisor Stille would like to attend the Michigan Trails Summit Conference on February 26th held in Lansing. One of the components of the meeting is funding for bike trails.

8. The Treasurer's Report was offered. The treasurer asked if the board wanted an audit for the 2012-13. The board has decided that we will forego this year's audit. We have also received a contribution of \$100.00 toward the bike path project.
9. Clerk's report was offered. None was heard.
10. Fire Chief Gary Dreyer reported that a contribution had been received for the Project Ranger from a local business. The project is approximately \$2,100 short of its goal. Updated the board regarding the DNR heavy duty truck to replace the 1988 International truck.
11. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to hire Melissa Koster to replace Matt Frain as assessor starting April 1, 2013 at a wage of \$20,000 per year. All in favor. Motion carried.
12. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by VanBemmelen to rent the ball fields to the Riptide League for baseball games. The league will mark the fields and provide insurance coverage. All in favor. Motion carried.
13. Requested Consumers Energy to install a light at the new intersection of Cleveland and Apple Drive.
14. Attorney Mark Nettleton explained the purpose of the Clean Water Plant special assessment district for only the operation and maintenance. A discussion among board members as to the necessity of starting the process to put in place. There is also the risk that the developer could challenge the township.
On a motion by Suchecki, seconded by Constantine, Resolution #2013-04 was adopted for the Determination to Make Public Improvements; Approval of Plans and Estimates of Cost; Determination of Special Assessment District. All in favor. Motion Carried.
15. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine to approve the proposal by Fish Window Cleaning for a 1 time cleaning of the township hall windows inside and out for \$88.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
16. On a motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine to adjourn meeting. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Submitted by

Judith VanBemmelen, Acting Secretary