

CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES
HELD ON DECEMBER 11, 2017

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, Suchecki and Constantine.
4. Others present: Acting Fire Chief John Kriger, Captain Kyle Botbyl and Attorney Jim Brown.
5. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Suchecki to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2017 Regular Meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Suchecki to approve disbursements as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
7. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was heard. Supervisor Stille reported that we have been awarded a \$300,000 grant from the MNRTF Grant for the North Bank Trail Phase 2 (130th to the post office).
Lukas Hill from Spring Lake Township is working on bringing in a speaker for a community engagement program to be held jointly with Spring Lake Village, Spring Lake Township, Ferrysburg, and Crockery. The cost to each governmental unit would be \$250.00. Not hearing any objections from Board members Supervisor Stille will tell them that we will participate. All board members are invited and the Supervisor will keep us informed when the plans are finalized.
Supervisor Stille signed an agreement with Joe Edick for a childcare center in the commercial building on 124th which formerly was a kennel.
The VanVelzen garage legal case went to court on Thursday and Mr. VanVelzen has until April 1st for the garage to be taken down.
Supervisor Stille has asked the OCRC for a public hearing for the next step for the abandonment of William St. and changes to Plews and requested it be held at their January 18th meeting.
8. Public comments were offered. None heard.
9. Treasurer's Report was offered. None were heard at this time because there are items on the agenda to be discussed later.
10. Clerk's Report was offered. None heard.
11. Fire Chief's Report was offered. Acting Chief John Kriger reported that they had 25 calls in November with 15 of those being medical.
The Crockery firefighters collected \$5,334.87 for the Crusade for Toys event.
Ottawa County is putting on a free Fire Officers class. We will have 2 firefighters attending. This class will run from December to May and will include Fire Officer I and II.
The department has received a quote for the 2 new locks for the doors at the fire department. At last month's meeting the board approved \$1,000 for locks, but the quote came in at \$1,360. Chief Kriger is asking the board to consider approving the additional cost.

Westshore Fire Services has sent notice that the outdoor warning siren system is due for servicing. There are 4 sirens and the cost is \$100 per siren. He will be scheduling this service.

Firefighter John Clyne has requested a leave of absence and Alex Baxter has submitted a letter of resignation.

12. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Buchanan to amend the motion from the November meeting to increase the expenditure for new door locks for the fire station from \$1,000 to \$1,360 installed. All in favor. Motion carried.
13. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Buchanan to approve a six month leave of absence for firefighter John Clyne starting December 1st. All in favor. Motion carried.
14. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine to accept the resignation of Alex Baxter from the fire department effective immediately. All in favor. Motion carried.
15. Discussion was held on creating a Fire Marshal position within the fire department.
16. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Suchecki to approve the hiring of Jeff Kriger to the position of Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal with the Crockery Township Fire Department with the condition that he must successfully pass a physical and the physical agility test. Since he is currently a firefighter with Grand Haven Township we will accept a current physical from them. Yes-4, No-1, motion carried.
17. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Buchanan to set the rate of pay for the Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal at \$16.00 per hour. This is a part-time position. All in favor. Motion carried.
18. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Suchecki to approve the Treasurer to add a budget line item of \$5,000 for the position of Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal. All in favor. Motion carried.
19. Board Member Committee reports were offered. None were heard at this time.
20. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Buchanan to approve the recommendation from the Building and Facilities Committee for the rental fee increases. All in favor. Motion carried.
21. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by VanBemmelen to approve a \$3,600 contribution to SLARA, the Spring Lake Area Recreation Association. All in favor. Motion carried.
22. Discussion was held regarding the Medical Marijuana Ordinance.
23. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Ordinance 2017-14, An Ordinance To Amend Township Ordinance No. 2017-3, The Township Medical Marijuana Facilities Ordinance. All in favor. Motion carried.
24. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Resolution 2017-40, Resolution To Establish Township Fees For Permitted Medical Marijuana Facilities. All in favor. Motion carried.
25. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to sell the lawn mower back to George Hofacker for \$3,500. All in favor. Motion carried.

26. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Suchecki to authorize the Clerk to sign the AT&T Franchise Agreement. All in favor. Motion carried.
27. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to authorize Ottawa County to use the 2005 bond proceeds towards Crockery Township's cost for SCADA. All in favor. Motion carried.
28. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by Constantine to authorize the purchase of 2 new laptops for elections to be used as electronic pollbooks. All in favor. Motion carried.
29. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Submitted by

Kathy Buchanan, Clerk
Crockery Township