

CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES
HELD ON JUNE 8, 2021

1. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Erhorn at 7:00 p.m.
2. Roll call: Present: Erik Erhorn, Kathy Buchanan, Judy VanBemmelen, Ryan Kelly, Rich Suchecki.
Others present: Attorney Ron Redick..
3. Motion by VanBemmelen seconded by Suchecki to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2021 Regular Meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Suchecki seconded by Kelly to approve the minutes of the May 25, 2021 Special Meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Kelly seconded by Buchanan to approve disbursements as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Motion by Buchanan seconded by Suchecki to approve the agenda with the addition of item j. Grand River Landing extension, and deleting item d. All in Favor. Motion carried.
7. Public comments were offered. No public comments were heard at this time.
8. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was offered. No report was heard at this time as all items to report on are agenda items.
9. Clerk's report was offered. No report was heard at this time.
10. Treasurer's report was offered. Treasurer VanBemmelen requested some General Fund budget amendments to adjust the cemetery budget for the removal of dead trees, and for replacement of the roof on the storage building.
11. Fire Chief's report was offered. There was no representative of the fire department present at this time due to the department being called out.
12. Attorney's report was offered. Attorney Redick informed the Board that AZKO and their attorney missed the first discovery obligations that they were given.
13. Committee Chair report was offered. No reports were heard.
14. Board Member report was offered. Trustee Suchecki reported that the Planning Commission had its first meeting with the new Zoning Administrator and that all went well.
15. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Suchecki to approve the budget amendments as recommended by the Treasurer. All in favor. Motion carried.
16. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by Kelly to declare the public hearing for the annual fiscal budget and tentative millage rates open. All in favor. Motion carried. Supervisor Erhorn declared the public hearing open at 7:14 p.m.
17. Board members reviewed the proposed budget and the changes made from the previous year's budget. Public Comments were offered, but no comments were heard.
18. Motion by Kelly, seconded by Suchecki to close the public hearing. All in favor. Motion carried. The public hearing was closed at 7:25 p.m.

19. Motion by Kelly, seconded by Suchecki to adopt Resolution 2021-06, Resolution to Establish Township Officer Salary (Supervisor). Roll call: Suchecki – Yes, Buchanan – Yes, Kelly – Yes, VanBemmelen – Yes. Erhorn abstained. Motion carried.
20. Motion by Kelly, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Resolution 2021-07, Resolution Approving Annual Township Budget and Determine Tentative Property Tax Rates for Support Budget. All in favor. Motion carried.
21. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to adopt Resolution 2021-08, Resolution to Set Meeting Dates and Holidays for 2021-2022. All in favor. Motion carried.
22. Motion by Kelly, seconded by VanBemmelen to approve the fire department proposed wage increase as written with the addition of the holiday standby rate. All in favor. Motion carried.
23. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Kelly to adopt Resolution 2021-09, Resolution to Approve Third Amendment to Satisfaction of Judgement [Hathaway Lakes]. All in favor. Motion carried.
24. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Resolution 2021-10, To Approve Agreements Relating to Proposed Spring Lake Sewer Extension and Matters Related Thereto. All in favor. Motion carried.
25. Bids for tree and stump removal in Nunica Cemetery were reviewed along with roofing bids for replacing the roof on the maintenance building at the cemetery.
26. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Suchecki to approve accepting the bid for tree and stump removal from Hecksel Tree Service, Inc. They were low bid at \$7,425.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
27. Motion by Kelly, seconded by VanBemmelen to approve accepting the bid from Shawn James Builder for replacing the roof on the maintenance building at the Nunica Cemetery. They were low bid at \$2,344.73 plus dump fee. All in favor. Motion carried.
28. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Kelly to extend the Grand River Landing deadline until July 8th, which is the next scheduled board meeting, while EGLE finishes the review of their application. All in favor. Motion carried.
29. Discussion was held regarding the Nunica Junction Trailhead.
30. Motion by Kelly, supported by Buchanan to approve accepting the bid from Copper Rock Construction for building a pavilion structure at the trailhead for \$46,702. This will be paid for by private donations that have been received for the trailhead development. This is contingent on receiving a detailed drawing of the structure and verification that the township can select the roofing and powdercoat colors. All in favor. Motion carried.
31. Supervisor Erhorn stated that the township will hold a fall cleanup day probably the last weekend in September.
He also reported that the transition with Fresh Coast Planning as our new Zoning Administrator has been going very well.
Supervisor Erhorn and Trustee Suchecki had a meeting with Pat Staskiewicz and Brett Laughlin from Ottawa County. They discussed the repair of the broken hydrant, and the list from the County of suggested road projects that

Crockery would be responsible to pay for if we decide to move forward on them.

32. Public Comments were offered. Dave Willis asked if we ever received an explanation on why the main road in Hathaway Lakes is in need of resurfacing so soon. Was it built to the standards? Supervisor Erhorn stated that the road broke down due to the excess truck traffic from all the construction. Mr. Willis also asked again about getting Charter Cable service to his home. He has called Charter many times and he is denied. He does not understand why since they serve Hathaway Lakes and Hortech and he is located in the middle of these. Trustee Suchecki suggested he call Michigan Public Service Commission and tell them they are denying him service even though he is in their service area.
33. Trustee Suchecki suggested that the Board consider scheduling a work session to discuss water system looping, a possible road millage, etc.
34. Motion by Kelly, seconded by VanBemmelen to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Submitted by

Kathy Buchanan
Crockery Township Clerk