

CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

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, Constantine, Buchanan and Suchecki. Others present: Deputy Chief Kyle Botbyl, Attorney Ron Redick..
4. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki, to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2018, Regular Meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Constantine to approve disbursements as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Public comments were offered. No comments were heard.
7. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was heard. Supervisor Stille reported that he has received a call from John Morgan informing the township that his 2 medical marijuana applications have been denied by the State. He will be appealing that decision. The Supervisor received a call from Ken Johnson from Asphalt Inc. inquiring about a quote for paving the road in the cemetery. This was from a year ago when we had received an offer to buy property at the back of the cemetery and the sale proceeds would have been used to pave the cemetery. The sale did not go through and Supervisor Stille is wondering if the board wishes to proceed with paving without the funds from the property sale to pay for this. Trustee Constantine will wheel the road off and check the dimensions with the quote that will be provided by the Supervisor. The Supervisor received a call from an individual interested in the Mergener property located on M-104. No further information is available at this time.
8. Treasurer's Report was offered. Treasurer VanBemmelen reported that we have not received the payment from Eastbrook Homes for the sewer break in Hathaway Lakes.
9. Clerk's Report was offered. Clerk Buchanan reported that Crockery Township has received the EMILY FOIA that has been sent to all the municipalities in the State of Michigan requesting copies of all voted ballots for the November 2016 presidential election.
10. Fire Chief's report was offered. Deputy Chief Kyle Botbyl reported that the department had 26 calls last month. The fire department open house will be held on September 24<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m. There will be representatives from several surrounding departments in attendance. There is a plan for Aero Med to land in Crockery for a training exercise next month. The new I Am Responding System will be operational in time for the open house.
11. Committee Chair reports were offered. No reports were heard.
12. Board Member Committee Reports were offered. No report was heard.
13. Review of the proposed resolution was held regarding the approval of the Preliminary Plat of Hathaway Lakes No.9.

14. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to adopt Resolution 2018-21, Resolution Granting Tentative Approval of the Preliminary Plat of Hathaway Lakes No. 9. All in favor. Motion carried.
15. Discussion was held on the proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance for 13545 Cleveland Street. Two neighbors spoke in opposition to the rezoning.
16. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to adopt Ordinance 2018-8, An Ordinance To Amend The Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Crockery (D&G Investments LLC Rezoning to R3 – 13545 Cleveland Street, Parcel No. 70-04-17-300-025). Roll call: Suchecki, VanBemmelen, Stille - Yes, Buchanan, Constantine – No. Motion carried.
17. Discussion was held on the proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance as requested by Sky High LLC. Jack Schroeder and Duke Miller from Versatile Wood Products were present and spoke about the companies need for the rezoning.
18. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine to adopt Ordinance 2018-9, An Ordinance To Amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Crockery, Sky High LLC, Rezoning to I-1 Light Industrial – 11335 Apple Avenue (Parcel No. 70-04-15-400-037). All in favor. Motion carried.
19. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to remand to the Planning Commission the rezoning recommendation for Parcel #2 16949 Main Street (Parcel No. 70-04-15-400-008) to work towards a contractual rezoning agreement as agreed by the applicant. All in favor. Motion carried.
20. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to extend duration of temporary licenses for J. Morgan’s growing and provisioning center until the effective date of LARA’s denial of state licenses, but in no case later than December 15, 2018. All in favor. Motion carried.
21. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Suchecki to adopt Resolution 2018-22, Resolution To Re-determine Annual Special Assessment For Sanitary Sewer Special Assessment District #1. All in favor. Motion carried.
22. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Buchanan to approve a Consumers Energy Rebate Proposal for the free upgrade at the fire department for the outside lighting to be replaced with LED lighting from Meekhof Electric Inc. All in favor. Motion carried.
23. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Constantine to approve the quote from Installation Management Group, LLC for repair and repainting of the outside pavilion at a cost of \$1,200. All in favor. Motion carried.
24. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Constantine to accept the quote from Reliant Cleaning for refinishing the township hall floors at a cost of \$1,128. All in favor. Motion carried.
25. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Suchecki to approve bond payments to Ottawa County for the following:
  - Sewage Disposal Bonds - \$71,406.88 (Principal \$60,00.00 and Interest \$11,406.88)
  - Annual Payment for use of Spring Lake Township Water System - \$8,137.93
  - Payment for \$420,000 Bond Issue - \$30,356.25 (Principal \$25,000.00 and

Interest \$5,356.25)

26. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to approve the Corridor Improvement Authority Budget as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
27. Deputy Chief Kyle Botbyl presented an Employment Application from a former fire fighter for a paid on-call fire fighter position with the Crockery Township Fire Department. In addition, he presented an August 20, 2018 letter from Pine Rest suggesting that the applicant might be able to return to the position as a paid on-call firefighter on a limited part-time basis.  
The Board acknowledges that the position of a paid on-call fire fighter and/or working as a first responder involves high stress situations with potentially significantly injured and highly stressed victims who are in immediate need of care. In addition, the fire fighters in a fire situation or in a first responder situation need to rely upon each other to promptly and effectively perform their job.  
While the Board appreciates the applicant's interest in returning to work, at this time, the Board has insufficient information from the applicant about the applicant's current situation and ability to work for the fire department without, among other things, causing a significant and immediate risk of harm to the applicant, other firefighters and first responders, as well as victims at the scenes of fires or accidents.
28. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Submitted by

Kathy Buchanan  
Crockery Township Clerk