

CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES
HELD ON AUGUST 10, 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 the July 13, 2015 Regular Meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by Buchanan to approve disbursements as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Public comments were offered. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson, 144th Ave. spoke to the Board about a problem they are having with their neighbor discharging firearms. They stated they do not feel safe in their yard and that the gun shots can occur at anytime. Supervisor Stille reported that the Township has already sent a letter notifying the property owner that the township has received complaints about the gun shots. The Ottawa County Sheriff Department was called and it was stated that it is not illegal for a property owner to target practice on their own property.
7. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was heard. Supervisor Stille reported that he has nothing to report at this time as everything he has is on the agenda and he will report at that time.
8. Treasurer's Report was offered. The yearly financial audit begins tomorrow. The FDAC would like to have their meeting location changed to the fire station.
9. Clerk's Report was offered. No report was offered at this time.
10. Fire Chief's report was given. Fire Chief Dreyer reported that he has only received one quote at this time for new turn out gear, but Chief Dreyer stated he would like to get at least two more before he proceeds.
11. Committee Chair reports were offered. None were received.
12. Board Member Committee reports were offered. No report was heard at this time.
13. Motion by VanBemmelen and seconded by Suchecki to take the zoning amendment changes off the table for discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.
14. Discussion was held on the proposed zoning changes and some revisions were recommended.
16. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to adopt 2015-05, Zoning Amendments R1A, R2A, R3, R4, R5, including all the revisions made by the Board at the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.
17. Discussion was held concerning the vacating of Cypress from 120th Ave. West.
18. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Resolution 2015-20, Resolution For The Purpose Of Not Objecting To The Abandonment Of Cypress Street From 120th Ave. To The New M-231 Bypass. All in favor. Motion carried.
19. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to approve the M-231 Bypass

dedication luncheon will be held at the Crockery Township Hall on October 23rd. The decorations for the Halloween party in the entry and multi-purpose room can not be put up until after the luncheon has ended. All in favor. Motion carried.

20. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by VanBemmelen to allow the 4-H Club to use a classroom at the township hall for their meetings at a cost of \$25.00 per month. All in favor. Motion carried.
21. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Suchecki to approve a 6 month contract with Ottawa County Fiscal Services for financial services assistance (Marv Hinga) for up to 40 hours per month. All in favor. Motion Carried.
22. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Buchanan to approve the budget amendments as recommended by the Treasurer. All in favor. Motion carried.
23. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Suchecki to approve Resolution 2015-19, Resolution Establishing Township Property Tax Rates For 2015. All in favor. Motion carried.
24. Discussion was held concerning Sandy Shores green spaces.
25. Trustee Constantine led a discussion on a possible future addition to the fire station.
26. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by VanBemmelen to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Submitted by

Kathy Buchanan, Clerk
Crockery Township