

CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
HELD ON AUGUST 11, 2014

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 Buchanan to approve the minutes of July 14, 2014 Regular Meeting as revised. 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. None received.
7. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was heard. Supervisor Stille reported that road brining is scheduled for this week. The parking lot will probably be paved this Wednesday if there is no rain. Contact has been made with representatives from Milbocker regarding the area on the Boss farm that still needs to be brought back to grade and also the issues with the pond at the same property. They have since replaced soil to grade and have begun to repair the washout areas of the pond. Supervisor Stille contacted George Czinder about mowing the shoulder along the North Bank Trail. It will cost \$250.00 for the first time and \$100.00 each additional time. The firefighters will be voting on continuing union representation in the near future.
8. Judy Hooyenga who is Crockery Township's representative on the NOCH Board was invited to attend this meeting to address some issues Chief Dreyer has concerns regarding the Ambulance Response Time Reports and the conditions of some ambulances (ex. warning lights held on with zip ties) and equipment (ex. heart monitor). Judy Hooyenga, Warren Billet, EMS Manager and Shellee Yaklin, President and CEO attended the board meeting to address the concerns. A discussion was held and agreement was reached to work on better communication between the ambulance service and the local fire departments.
9. Treasurer's Report was offered. Treasurer is grateful for the voters passing the millage.
10. Clerk's Report was offered. We have received the Penal Fine 2014 Distribution amount from Ottawa County. The funds in escrow for Crockery Township are \$13,388.63. A resident has stated his intention to endow a portion of his deceased wife's and his estate to Crockery Township for the purpose of maintenance of the M-104 Nunica Cemetery. Supervisor Stille will set up a meeting with him.
11. Fire Chief's report was given. Fire Chief Dreyer reported that he is still working on the chassis rebuild project. He has received a phone call from the company that has provided a quote that effective September 1<sup>st</sup> there will be a 3% increase. Discussion continues on using the 30 year old aluminum tank and having it refit or going with a new poly tank which will have a full warranty.

12. Committee Chair reports were offered. None were received.
13. Board Member Committee reports were offered. Trustee Constantine reported that the Cemetery Committee met and they discussed the possibility of logging trees in the Nunica Cemetery. The Committee is not in favor of this. They also discussed green burials and they do not see a problem with this.
14. Motion by Constantine and seconded by Suchecki to authorize Chief Dreyer to proceed with the tanker re-chassis project following NFPA standards with the Board desiring to have a new poly tank used. All in favor. Motion carried.
15. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by Buchanan to adopt Resolution 2014-20, Resolution Establishing Property Tax Rates For 2014. All in favor. Motion carried.
16. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Suchecki to approve the Budget Amendments for 2013-14 as presented by the Treasurer. All in favor. Motion carried.
17. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to authorize Supervisor to have George Czinder mow the shoulder of the North Bank Trail, approximately 1 ¾ mile, at a cost of \$225.00 for the first time and \$100.00 each additional time. All in favor. Motion carried.
18. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by Buchanan to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Submitted by

Kathy Buchanan, Clerk  
Crockery Township