

CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES
HELD ON DECEMBER 8, 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, Constantine and Suchecki
Others present: Fire Chief Gary Dreyer and Attorney Jim Brown.
4. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Suchecki to approve the minutes of November 10 , 2014 Regular Meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by Constantine 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 will notify the Ottawa County Treasurer that the penal fines for Crockery Township should be released to Spring Lake District Library. We have received a copy of a letter from Mr. Herzshaft's attorney regarding the pending lawsuit over the oversized building. Mr. Hershaft has agreed to remove the north 1/3 of building and is requesting an extension until June 30th to complete this. He is agreeable to clean up the rest of the materials on the property, but wants to put up a fence and be allowed to have an 18 to 36 inch eave on the north side of the building. We will require a site plan for the fencing he is requesting. A letter has been received from the MNRTF informing the township that we did not receive the \$300,000 grant for the North Bank Trail that we had applied for. Attorney Ross Leisman has sent correspondence concerning a possible contempt of court case with Magnum Coffee. Dave Kitchen with the electrical school will finish cleaning out the classrooms tomorrow. In November surveys were sent to every member of the fire department seeking input for the future direction of the department in light of the millage renewal. It was asked that they be returned by the first of December, and as of today only 5 have been returned. We will resend the survey out again tomorrow. We are hoping we can get at least a 50% response back.
8. Treasurer's Report was offered. Treasurer VanBemmelen is requesting we increase the school tax collection fee from \$2.90 to \$3.20. It is on the agenda for the board's consideration.
9. Clerk's report was offered. The Clerk reported that the State Election Audit will take place Tuesday, December 9th at 8:00 am.
10. Fire Chief's Report was offered. Chief Dreyer reported that the call numbers are a little higher than last year. The AIG grant deadline was this past Friday at 5:00 pm and the Chief submitted 2 grant applications for vehicles and also one for \$10,000 for training. Firefighter Jesse Baxter has resigned from the department giving a two week notice. Chief Dreyer is expecting to complete the annual flo-test certification on the airpaks this month.
11. Discussion was held on reducing the Fire Department Advisory Committee

from a 7 member committee to a 5 member committee due to the difficulty of having a quorum for all scheduled meetings.

12. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to adopt Resolution 2014-25, Resolution To Change The Fire Department Advisory Committee From Seven Members To A Five Member Committee. All in favor. Motion Carried.
13. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to authorize the Supervisor to send a letter to Tom Farage thanking him for his service to the Fire Department Advisory Committee. All in favor. Motion carried.
14. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Suchecki to accept the request from the Treasurer to increase the Summer Tax Collection Fee from \$2.90 to \$3.20 per parcel and to approve Spring Lake School Districts request for summer tax collection. All in favor. Motion carried.
15. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine to accept the Supervisor's list of recommended appointments and reappointments to the committees and commissions of Crockery Township. All in favor. Motion carried.

Planning Commission

Bill Sanders	12-31-2017
David Meekhof	12-31-2017

Corridor Improvement Authority Committee

Joe Edick	January 2018
Jack Jerosvek	January 2019
Roy Holmes	January 2019
Russ Kniff	January 2016

Zoning Board of Appeals

Bill Sanders	12-31-2016
Mike Wallis	12-31-2016

Building and Parks Committee

Jean Copeland	12-31-2016
Jay Wright	12-31-2016

Fire Department Advisory Committee

Joe LeGros	12-31-2017
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Cemetery Committee

Margaret Scott	12-31-2017
Steve VanderHoff	12-31-2017

Board of Review

Myron Constantine	12-31-2015
Stan Scott	12-31-2015
Greg Todd	12-31-2015

Kevin Kieft (Alt.) 12-31-2015

Construction Board of Appeals

Greg Holmes 12-31-2015

Shawn James 12-31-2015

Jon Tiles 12-31-2015

Roy Holmes 12-31-2015

Rich Kelley 12-31-2015

16. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to deny the request from Winterguard for free rental of the gym. We will allow use of the gym by this group for five hours per week at the normal rental rate of \$35.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
25. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by VanBemmelen to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Submitted by

Kathy Buchanan, Clerk
Crockery Township

CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
HELD ON DECEMBER 29, 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, VanBemmelen, Suchecki, Constantine, Buchanan
4. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was heard. Supervisor Stille updated the Board on the Ken Herzhaft zoning violation on 124th Ave. 1/3 of the building has been removed.
5. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to approve the request from Dale VanKooten to allow up to 3 building permits to be issued for phase 5 in Hathaway Lakes prior to final mylar approval, which is currently at the County. Yes – 3, No – 2. Motion carried.
6. Discussion was held with Mark Stedman, General Manager of Magnum Coffee to review all aspects of a potential addition to their current facility including the property signage and possible tax abatement. The consensus of the Board was that the signing on the West end of the building and the new Magnum Coffee signing on the front of the building needs to be removed as these are in violation of an existing court order. No formal action was taken.
7. Discussion was held on the proposed zoning ordinance amendment for adult foster care homes. No action was taken.
8. A review of the surveys that we received back from the fire department members was discussed. It was felt that a meeting with the fire department would be beneficial to further discuss the feedback we received. Supervisor Stille will try to coordinate a meeting with them on a regular training night, probably January 19th.
9. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Submitted by

Kathy Buchanan, Clerk