

**CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES
HELD ON MARCH 13, 2017**

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 Constantine.
Absent: Suchecki
Others present: Fire Chief Gary Dreyer and Attorney Ron Redick.
4. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2017 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. John Morgan asked if the Board would be considering the Medical Marijuana Ordinance and was told that it is on tonight's agenda. No other comments were heard.
7. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was heard. Supervisor Stille reported that we have received notice of the DEQ's approval of the site plan and conditions for Hathaway Lakes Condominium 2 Phase 1 for the sewer lines. The Supervisor, along with the Ottawa County Planning Department, engineers from Prein and Newhof, Jordan Terpstra and his brother walked the Terra Verde property along a proposed route for the Spoonville Trail extension. Supervisor Stille is pushing hard for the County to choose this route. Todd Enzer, 136th Ave. has expressed interest in having 136th Ave. paved. After gathering information he is not able to get the land owners on the street to agree with his request due to the cost and the fact that they do not want the road to potentially go all the way through to State Road. Supervisor Stille received a written purchase offer from Mike Murphy and Melcor, Inc for two parcels of township owned property. At the February meeting Mike Murphy and Doug Melching asked if the township would consider selling these two parcels along with a 10 acre parcel of cemetery property. Consensus of the Board at that meeting was that we were not interested in selling cemetery property, but would be willing to consider an offer on the other two parcels. The offer presented is \$10,500 for the smaller parcels and \$18,500 for the larger parcel.
8. Treasurer's Report was offered. Treasurer VanBemmelen reported that cleaning will take place on the inside of the water tower this spring at a cost of \$2,100. We have received an agreement to continue with Lakeshore Pest Control for the year. The cost will be \$275 for pest control and \$300 for termites. Tax collection has been completed.
9. Clerk's Report was offered. No report was heard.
10. Fire Chief's report was offered. Chief Dreyer stated that Firefighters Jacob Dyer, Elijah Locasio and Matthew Amaya have all passed the MFR certification, and Andrew VanPoortfliet has passed the EMT Specialist certification. Andrew took this training on his own at no cost to the township. Chief Dreyer reported that the department has a total of 8 AEDs, 4 of which will

no longer be supported by the manufacturer. The department's plan was to replace one at a time, or apply for grant monies. Chief Dreyer found a site online that an Indiana college has 4 of the Lifepak 1000 for auction. Current bid is 4 of them for \$625.00. Chief Dreyer would like approval from the Board to bid on these. New ones would cost \$1,400.00 each and if we were to acquire these the manufacturer will refurbish for \$100.00 each

11. Committee Chair's reports were offered. No reports were heard.
12. Board Member Committee reports were offered. No reports were heard.
13. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to accept the offer from Mike Murphy and Melcor, Inc. for the sale of two parcels of property. Parcel 70-400-004 for \$10,500 and parcel 70-400-006 for 18,500 with the condition that when new site plans for this property are submitted they include the paving of Woodlane. All in favor. Motion carried.
14. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine to authorize Chief Dreyer to bid on the 4 Lifepack 1000 AEDs with the bid not to exceed \$1000.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
15. Discussion was held on the proposed Ordinance Amendment to rezone two acres of agricultural property to industrial property on Fitzgerald. The property owner, Jason Porter was present and stated that his business is Treeworks. He has already put an aggregate parking lot in for his equipment and employees to park on. There is currently a brush pile and large logs that have been brought to this piece of property, both of which are not allowed under the Light Industrial zoning. Mr. Porter stated that as part of his tree business he has to take the spoils somewhere and that the logs would be cut up into firewood and the brush would be piled up to be burned at a later date. Board members expressed concern over the spot zoning aspect of this proposed zoning change also.
16. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to deny the ordinance amendment for the two acres of AG 1 property on Fitzgerald to Light Industrial and to send back to the Planning Commission. All in favor. Motion carried.
17. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Constantine to adopt Ordinance 2017-02, An Ordinance To Amend the Zoning Ordinance Of The Township Of Crockery (Article 21 Signs; Article 2, Sign Definitions; Article 17, Condominium; Miscellaneous Amendments). All in favor. Motion carried.
18. Discussion was held regarding the proposed Medical Marijuana Ordinance. Several people were in attendance for this issue. All of them spoke in favor of the Board adopting the proposed ordinance. No one spoke against the adoption of this ordinance.
19. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Ordinance 2017-03, An Ordinance To Authorize And Regulate State-Licensed Medical Marijuana Facilities And To Provide Penalties For The Violation Thereof. Yes – 3, No – 1. Motion carried.
20. Discussion was held on the proposed Site-Condominium zoning for the vacation park on the Grand river at 120th Ave. known as the Grand River Landing. The Board has some conditions that need to be met before considering the approval. These include the removal of the barb wire fencing and a suitable replacement,

a breakaway gate in case of an emergency, and the Fire Chief needs to visit the site to determine whether there is enough room for a fire truck to turn around. No action was taken at this time.

21. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine to adopt Resolution 2017-04, A Resolution To Contract with Spring Lake Village For The Purpose Of Applying For An SIB Loan To Fund The Construction Of The North Bank Trail From 130th Ave. To Nunica. All in favor. Motion carried.
22. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to adopt Resolution 2017-5, A Resolution To Contract With Spring Lake Village To Act As Our Act 51 Entity To Oversee Payments For Construction Of Phases 2B and 2C Of The North Bank Trail In Compliance With The MDOT Tap Grant. All in favor. Motion carried.
23. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Buchanan to adopt Resolution 2017-6, A Resolution To Request The Ottawa County Road Commission Abandon Williams Street In The Village Of Nunica. All in favor. Motion carried.
24. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by VanBemmelen to Adopt Resolution 2017-7, A Resolution To Request The Ottawa County Road Commission Abandon Plews Street In The Village Of Nunica. All in favor. Motion carried.
25. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine for authorization to apply for a \$300,000 grant from the MNRTF (Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for the construction of the North Bank Trail Phase 2C and the Nunica Trailhead. All in favor. Motion carried.
26. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to authorize the Supervisor to sign the agreement between the Michigan Department of natural resources for and on behalf of the State of Michigan and Crockery Township in the County of Ottawa for grant application. All in favor. Motion carried.
27. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Constantine to approve this year's contribution to SLARA (Spring Lake Area Recreation Association) in the amount of \$3,600. All in favor. Motion carried.
28. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Constantine to approve Phil's Lawn Service for the mowing at the fire department and adjoining lot. The cost this year will be \$65.00 for the fire department and \$70.00 for the MDOT lot. All in favor. Motion carried.
29. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Vanbemmelen to set the township clean-up day for May 20th. All in favor. Motion carried.
30. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Buchanan to authorize the Bond Payments as requested by the Treasurer. All in favor. Motion carried.
 - Sewer Disposal Bond Interest Payment (\$12,056.88 for \$1,275,00)
 - Water Bond Interest Payment (\$5,393.75 for \$420,000)
 - Annual SL Twp. Water System payment (per contract April 12, 2010)
 - 2017 payment \$40,714.40
31. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to amend the Water Budget (Increase) \$7,500 for Water Reliability Study. All in favor. Motion carried.
32. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Submitted by

Kathy Buchanan, Clerk
Crockery Township