## **CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

## HELD ON MAY 11, 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, VanBemmelen, Constantine, Suchecki, Buchanan Others present: Attorney Jim Brown and Fire Chief Gary Dreyer.
- 4. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2015 Regular Meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 5. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by Constantine to approve the disbursements as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 6. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to amend the agenda as requested by the Supervisor. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 7. Public Comments were offered. None heard.
- 8. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was heard. Supervisor Stille reported that he has received several calls about standing water on property. He will be going out tomorrow to look at two complaints that came in earlier today. We have received the Grand Trunk Drain Report from Ottawa County with a cost estimate of \$3,336.00 for clean up of the drain. The cemetery subsurface scan was completed. Scanning occurred in the older section of Nunica Cemetery including the potters field area. Work was also done on the southeast corner of Ottawa Center Cemetery where it is believed Native Americans are buried. Many bodies were found to be buried in this area, but a scan of the entire corner could not be completed due to the heavy brush. The plan is for this area to be cleaned out so the subsurface scan can be completed on this area at a later date. There is a house on Taft St. that is currently owned by Grow Blue that has at least 100 tires stored inside and approximately another 100 outside. They were notified of the situation and have agreed to clean it up and demolish the house. The construction work on the 104<sup>th</sup> culvert is probably another month from completion. The Michigan State Director of Agriculture will be in Crockery on May 21st at 9:30 am. Ken Rizzio will be taking her around to three processing plants in the county and Magnum Coffee will be one of those that she will be touring.
- 9. Treasurer's Report was offered. The Treasurer received notification from Fruitport Schools that they will not be charging school tax on the summer tax bill, but it will now be on the winter tax bill. Treasurer VanBemmelen has still not heard back from the State regarding the Deficit Elimination Plan. She contacted Jeff Schwartz at the State and was told no further determination has been made yet. The fire department has sold the old Jaws of Life for \$2,000.00.
- 10. Clerk's Report was offered. None was heard.

- 11. Committee Chair Reports was offered. Dave Nelson from the Fire Department Advisory Committee reported that the committee interviewed Brandon Fonkert and is recommending him for hire. A woman has asked to be the fire department's incident photograher at no cost to the township. The FDAC is recommending this as long as the Fire Department Policy Directive is followed. There was a representative from Provident Insurance reviewing the current coverage our department has and some increased coverage options. The committee reviewed a Payroll Deduction Agreement dealing with training payback for new hires. The FDAC is recommending approval.
- 12. Fire Chief's report was offered. Chief Dreyer reported that 4 fifty foot sections of 3inch hose have failed testing. He is requesting approval to purchase replacement hose from Sales and Marketing of Michigan who had the low quote of \$832.00 plus shipping not to exceed \$100.00. Chief Dreyer contacted four local lawn service companies seeking quotes for mowing at the fire station including the corner property. As of this meeting he has only received one quote, it is from Phil's Lawn Care for \$60.00 per mow for the fire station and \$60.00 for the MDOT property. The representative from Provident Insurance stated they have a new option for their Accidental Death and Dismemberment Plan that would provide 24/7 coverage for the firefighters for \$250.00 more per year.
- 13. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to authorize the Chief to proceed with seeking bids and authorizing one for lawn mowing at the station with the cost not to exceed \$120.00 per mow for the fire station and MDOT property. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 14. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to authorize Chief Dreyer to proceed with the purchase of 4-50 foot sections of 3 inch hose from Sales And Marketing of Michigan at a cost of \$832.00 plus shipping not to exceed \$100.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 15. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to table the discussion on the Payroll Deduction Agreement. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 16. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to table the discussion of the incident photographer for the fire department. All in favor. Motion Carried.
- 17. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Suchecki to approve applicant Brandon Fonkert as a hire for the fire department provided he successfully passes the medical physical and the physical agility test. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 18. Discussion was held regarding the Kulikamp settlement agreement regarding the Williams Street right-of-way.
- 19. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to approve the Draft Consent of Judgement for the Kulikamp legal issue approving an expenditure of \$450.00 for work to the end of the drive with 7b deleted. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 20. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to approve the payment to Great Lakes Subsurface for work that was done at the Nunica Cemetery and a small section at Ottawa Center Cemetery for a total of \$1,050.00. (The contract was approved at the April 13, 2015 Board Meeting). All in favor. Motion carried.
- 21. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Suchecki to send a response on the Polkton Master Plan stating that Crockery Township has no objections.

- 22. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to authorize Clerk Buchanan to sign the Windstream Norlight LLC Metro Act right-of-way permit extension. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 23. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by VanBemmelen to purchase fence topper from Larry VanDussen for \$100.00 and to deny the request from the Building and Parks Committee for diamond dust for the ball fields at a cost of approximately \$6,000.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 24. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to request the Building and Parks Committee revisit the fee schedule for building and grounds rentals. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 25. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to authorize Supervisor Stille to work with Sgt.Dave Colvin from the Ottawa County Sheriff Department for scheduling a half day of SWAP workers for work clearing brush and undergrowth at the Ottawa Center Cemetery. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 26. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Suchecki to authorize the Supervisor to arrange for an early brining of Oriole, 104<sup>th</sup> and Garfield while the road is closed due to the culvert construction. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 27. Discussion was held on the new State required FOIA procedures.
- 28. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Resolution 2015-12, FOIA Procedures Policy and Fee Schedule. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 29. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Constantine to set June 8, 2015 as the public hearing for the annual budget. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 30. Motion by Constantine, seconded by Buchanan to table the proposed ordinance amendments to the water connection, use and rate ordinance.
- 31. Motion by Constantine, seconded by VanBemmelen to set a minimum fee of \$1,000.00 or the actual cost if it is more, to have the fire department burn approved structures. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 32. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Suchecki to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Kathy Buchanan, Clerk

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