

**CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES
HELD ON JUNE 14, 2022**

1. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Erhorn at 7:01 p.m.
2. Roll call: Present: Erik Erhorn, Kathy Buchanan, Judy VanBemmelen, Ryan Kelly
Absent: Rich Suchecki
Others present: Attorney Ron Redick and Deputy Fire Chief Kyle Botbyl.
3. Motion by Kelly, seconded by VanBemmelen to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2022 Regular Meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Kelly to approve disbursements as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Buchanan seconded by Kelly to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Public comments were offered. Tammy Flores was present and stated that on the agenda is her rezoning request for her parcel on 138th and that she is present to answer any questions the township board may have. No other comments were heard at this time.
7. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was offered. Supervisor Erhorn reported that Clerk Buchanan and Treasurer VanBemmelen are suggesting the township lower the marijuana facilities license fees for the new fiscal year. Municipalities are restricted on how they can spend that money, and there have been less allowed expenditures for the township. The suggestion is to cut the licensing fee to \$2,500. The Ottawa County Road Commission will be holding a luncheon on Thursday, July 14th at noon. If board members are interested in attending let the Supervisor know and he will relay that to the County.
Supervisor Erhorn received a call from the property owners next to the lift station on State Road stating that there are several dead trees on our property line that they would like us to have taken down before they come down on their house. Supervisor Erhorn would like regulatory ordinances available on our website, and feels a few need to be updated.
There have been three complaints from residents about the road brining that was done recently. Two areas were missed with one being State Rd. between Apple Dr. and 120th Ave. and the other 136th Ave. North of State Rd. This road is very sandy with very little gravel anymore. Supervisor is asking if the township should consider this road for re-graveling.
8. Clerk's report was offered. Clerk Buchanan would like to place maps of the old, new, and west sections of Nunica Cemetery at the cemetery. This would make it easier for people when they are trying to locate a grave location. The Clerk will get pricing for a kiosk that would hold the maps, and also check on having the maps designed on signage that could be placed on posts at the cemetery as suggested by resident Dave Willis.
9. Treasurer's report was offered. No report was heard.

10. Fire Chief's report was offered. Deputy Chief Botbyl reported that the department had 28 calls last month.
The new truck was in the Coopersville and Fruitport Memorial Day parades.
On Thursday of this week Jeremy Collins will graduate from the fire academy.
Training has taken place on the Lucas chest compression machine.
11. Attorney's report was offered. Attorney Redick reported that the AZKO appeal has been dismissed.
The easements for the Spoonville Trail have been signed by Crockery Township and will be delivered to the attorney for Ottawa County for final signatures.
12. Board Member report was offered. Trustee Kelly reported the Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing to be held June 21st on the ordinance amendments they have been working on and if approved will come to the Board in July.
13. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Kelly to approve to re-gravel 136th north of State Rd. with a 50/50 cost split with Ottawa County. All in favor. Motion carried.
14. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to approve the purchase of panels to mount equipment on the new fire truck. All in favor. Motion carried.
15. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Kelly to declare the public hearing for the annual fiscal budget and tentative millage rates open. All in favor. Motion carried. Supervisor Erhorn declared the public hearing open at 7:45 pm.
16. Discussion on the proposed budget was held. Public comments were offered. No comments were heard.
17. Motion by Kelly, seconded by Buchanan to close the public hearing at 7:56 pm. All in favor. Motion carried.
18. Motion by Erhorn, seconded by Buchanan to adopt Resolution 2022-09, A Resolution To Establish Township Officers Salary (Treasurer - \$19,000 to \$21,000). All in favor. Motion carried.
19. Motion by Erhorn, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Resolution 2022-10, A Resolution To Establish Township Officers Salary (Clerk - \$19,000 to \$21,000). All in favor. Motion carried.
20. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Buchanan to adopt Resolution 2022-11, A Resolution To Establish Township Officers Salary (Supervisor - \$19,000 to \$21,000). All in favor. Motion carried.
21. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Kelly to adopt Resolution 2022-12, Resolution Establishing Township Property Tax Rates for 2022. All in favor. Motion carried.
22. Motion by Kelly, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Resolution 2022-13, Resolution Approving the General Fund Paying the Balance On The Spartan Fire Truck Purchase. All in favor. Motion carried.
23. Motion by Kelly, seconded by Buchanan to approve the proposed operating budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. All in favor. Motion carried.
24. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Resolution 2022-14, Crockery Township Recognized Holidays and Meeting Dates. All in favor. Motion carried.

25. Motion by Kelly, seconded by Buchanan to adopt Ordinance 2022-02, An Ordinance To Amend The Zoning Ordinance Of The Township Of Crockery [Rezoning of 15736 138th Ave. to the R-1 District]. All in favor. Motion carried.
26. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by VanBemmelen to accept the quote from ASI for sealcoating the townhall parking lot with a possible closure of the offices on a Friday for this. The cost is \$3,400. All in favor. Motion carried.
27. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Kelly to adopt Ordinance 2022-03, An Ordinance To Adopt The 2018 Edition Of The International Fire Code With Certain Revisions And Supplements; To Provide Penalties For Violations Thereof; And To Repeal All Other Ordinances And Parts Of Ordinances In Conflict Therewith. All in favor. Motion carried.
28. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Resolution 2022-15, Resolution Authorizing The Deposit Of Township Funds In Consumers Credit Union. All in favor. Motion carried.
29. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Kelly to proceed with preliminary engineering for the water extension by Prein & Newhof for 136th Ave. at \$54,500, I-96 crossing at \$56,500 and Cone Street at \$8,800. All in favor. Motion carried.
30. Public comments was offered. Dave Willis asked when the cemetery information will be available on the website. He also stated there are 2 lights at the car lot on M-104 that are shining upward and out onto M-104.
Tom Farage asked if we have sewer down 136th to Leonard, and if not, are there any thoughts on running sewer with water.
31. Motion by Kelly, seconded by Buchanan to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:04 pm.

Submitted by

Kathy Buchanan
Crockery Township Clerk