

**CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES
HELD ON OCTOBER 11, 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, Rich Suchecki.
Others present: Attorney Ron Redick and Fire Chief John Kriger.
3. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by Kelly to approve the minutes of the September 13, 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 VanBemmelen seconded by Kelly to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Public comments were offered. No comments were heard at this time.
7. Supervisor's comments/correspondence was offered. Supervisor Erhorn reported that the fire department open house went well and there was a good turnout. The Zoning Board of Appeals will be meeting on October 20th concerning a dimensional variance for Sagewood Drive. Dumpster day turnout numbers were a little down from previous times, but we still filled about 7 dumpsters. The township has purchased new tables for the board room. We will be having the carpet cleaned on October 19th for \$162.00. We received a quote for new carpet for the board room and it would cost about \$6,000. We have received further information from EGLE concerning Grand River Landing. All trailers will need to be removed after 180 days and EGLE expects the township to enforce. There will be a CIA meeting on November 9th with engineers concerning water and sewer infrastructure expansion.
8. Clerk's report was offered. Clerk Buchanan received a phone call from the local Boy Scout Troop Leader and he was asking if there were any projects in the township that his troop could take on as a community service project. Trustee Kelly suggested picking up trash along the bike path. Clerk Buchanan has received quotes on tablets for the board members. The prices are much higher than expected. Reminder that the General Election is Tuesday, November 8th.
9. Treasurer's report was offered. Treasurer VanBemmelen reported that the township has received an invoice for \$41,182.33 from Ottawa County Road Commission for our share of the cost for the re-graveling on 124th and 136th.
10. Fire Chief's report was offered. Chief Kriger reported that the department had 30 calls last month, 312 calls year to date. The department was pleased with the large turnout at the open house and appreciated the support from area departments. The Aero-Med helicopter was able to attend this year and those attending loved it. The board members stated they appreciate the efforts of the department to put on this event.

11. Attorney's report was offered. Attorney Redick reported that the Spoonville Trail ownership issue is finally completed.
12. Board Member report was offered. Trustee Kelly reported that it was announced at the WMSRDC meeting that MDOT will be placing bike counters that will be used to track the number of bikers on roads without bike paths. They should be in place in April 2023.
13. Discussion was held regarding the purchase of a mini-split unit for the board room. Quotes were received for the electric work and installation of the mini-split heating and cooling unit. To install a complete Fujitsu mini-split heat pump system it will cost \$5,120, and the cost for the electrical work needed is \$2,300. Supervisor Erhorn will check to see if there is any cost saving to just go with an air unit.
14. Motion by Buchanan, seconded by Suchecki to approve the 2022 drain assessment payments as requested by the Treasurer.
 - Craven - \$2,482.59
 - Crockery No. 2 - \$2,393.97
 - Pollie - \$2,141.75
 - Tidewater - \$495.99All in favor. Motion carried.
15. Motion by Suchecki seconded by Kelly to adopt Ordinance 2022-13, An Ordinance To Amend The Zoning Ordinance Of The Township Of Crockery [Lot Area, Existing Lots of Record, Private Streets]. All in favor. Motion carried.
16. Board member reports were offered. Trustee Suchecki suggested we schedule a work session to discuss establishing a new set of township goals. He also suggested we seek community involvement before we create a list.
17. Public comments were offered. Dave Willis asked when the GIS for the cemetery will be available and how soon will lots in the new West Section be available for purchase. Ron Lovelace asked how the rates charged for the cleanup day are established.
18. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Kelly to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Submitted by

Kathy Buchanan
Crockery Township Clerk