

CROCKERY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES
HELD ON OCTOBER 10, 2023

1. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Erik Erhorn at 7:01 p.m.
2. Roll call: Present: Erik Erhorn, Judy VanBemmelen, Rich Suchecki and Ryan Kelly. Kathy Buchanan was not present. Others present: Attorney Ron Redick, Fire Chief Bill Mastenbrook, Recording Secretary Paige Silva.
3. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by VanBemmelen to approve the agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Kelly, seconded by VanBemmelen to approve the Minutes of the September 12, 2023 Regular Meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by Kelly to approve the Disbursements. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. Treasurer's report was offered. Treasurer VanBemmelen briefed the Board on the Disbursements, and explained some of the disbursement names.
7. Supervisor Erhorn offered public comment at approximately 7:08 p.m. Two public comments were heard. Public comments ended at approximately 7:15 p.m.
8. Supervisor's Report was offered. Please see attached Supervisor's monthly meeting notes. Treasurer VanBemmelen offered for review of the rental rate. Due to the cost of operation and depreciation of assets, \$400 would be ideal for the rental rate. The present cost is \$300. This topic will be revisited.
9. Clerk's Report was offered by Treasurer VanBemmelen. Clerk Buchanan wanted it noted the Township is required to get better Wireless Fidelity (Wi-Fi) in this building due to the recent change in the election process and necessities for faster Wi-Fi.
10. Fire Chief's Report was offered. Fire Chief Mastenbrook reported that the Department responded to 42 calls of service last month. Their calls of service have been trending in the low forties. The Fire Department open house went well and they gave out kids baskets. Next month they will be presenting estimates for firefighter lockers which will help keep the equipment in better shape and away from the elements. It is \$8,200 for the first estimate which includes the installation of 23 lockers. By the end of the week, they will have the second estimate prepared. Fire Chief Mastenbrook would like the Board to review the possibility of full-time on staff members. Grant money exists for full-time on staff members and may be obtained. Also, there are a couple of fire truck projects to be reviewed, he reports January was the last Board Review for the Fire Department. Additionally, he brought up the subject of obtaining grant money for free smoke alarms and the installation thereof into Crockery Township homes. The only cost of this project being manpower. Lastly, Fire Chief Mastenbrook stated a current member of the Fire Department is soon to be EMT certified. The same employee is also doing a CPR

- instructor course and would likely be able to teach classes in the near future. The cost of this CPR instructor course will be proposed at the next Regular Board Meeting.
11. Motion by VanBemelen, seconded by Kelly to approve the Crockery Township Fire Department to spend up to \$9,000 for new lockers. All in favor. Motion carried.
 12. Attorney's Report was offered. No report was heard. He did remind the Board of the Client seminar, RSVP only, in Cascade, MI.
 13. Board Member Committee Reports were offered. Kelly gave updates on the West Michigan Shoreline Regional Development Commission (WMSRDC). A member of the public gallery reminded the Board about the Wine and Dine event for the bike trail. It is at the Train Station in Coopersville on October 26, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. All the proceeds will be given to the bike trail.
 14. Motion VanBemmelen, seconded by Kelly to approve the 16th Amendment to the Wayberry Condominium. All in favor. Motion carried.
 15. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Suchecki to pay the 2023 Drain Payments pending the breakdown. All in favor. Motion carried.
 16. Motion by Kelly, seconded by VanBemmelen to adopt Ordinance 2023-09, an Ordinance to amend the Zoning for the property located at 10606 Wilson St. from Ag-2 to R-1. All in favor. Motion carried.
 17. Motion by Kelly, seconded by Suchecki to adopt Ordinance 2023-10, an Ordinance to amend the Zoning for the property located at 18170 144th Ave. from Ag-2 to R-1. All in favor. Motion carried.
 18. Motion by VanBemmelen, seconded by Kelly to approve the Amendments to the Election Agreement with Ottawa County. All in favor. Motion carried.
 19. Board member discussions included the possible applicants for the Board Member Appointments. There are seven applicants. The possible Planning Commission's Chairperson was discussed.
 20. Supervisor Erhorn asked for public comment. None was offered.
 21. Motion by Suchecki, seconded by VanBemmelen to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Submitted by,

Paige Silva
Recording Secretary