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Board of Trustees Meeting  
October 10, 2018  
7:00 p.m.

The regular scheduled meeting of the Crete Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Liccar, at the Town Hall .

Trustees in attendance were Elton, Grady, Hodge and Piacentini. Clerk Holubek was also present.

Pledge of Allegiance was than given to the flag.

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2018 Board meeting was made by Trustee Piacentini, seconded by Trustee Hodge. All were in favor, minutes stand approved as written.

REPORTS:

SUPERVISOR -

CSX Update - Supervisor Liccar reported no new report to date.  
Update on current proposed Town Hall property – Trustee Elton, Clerk Holubek and Supervisor Liccar meet with Mayor Einhorn and Michael Smith. Pat Palzen was also in attendance, representing the Crete Park District. Two representatives from Gingko were also present, they are the planners used by the Village in the past to develop a plan of use for the interested property. Discussion was heard with the intentions of the Township for a parcel and the planners' comments were voiced. The Village does have an interest in developing the property to the north, and have retail on the frontage reserved. Not sure how realistic that plan may be. The Township would not want the frontage reserved which would put our building tucked back off the road. The Planners also expressed the future of funding at both State and Federal levels, multiple governmental agencies are partnering to put together properties and mentioned several agencies that have and are doing just that. It was mentioned the thought of doing a joint campus, the Township, Park District and the Village. This was something the Township was not necessarily looking to do for varies reasons. They expressed the fact that this would be a big project and expensive. It was expressed that the current Town Hall would be sold and our current monies are also limited. The planners are to come back with a proposal, cost involved, scope of work and talk to the players that may be interested. This is where we stand currently. Trustee Elton commented his feelings that they wanted to use us, to put it bluntly. Supervisor Liccar stated the planner did bring up the point that doing a project like this, should try to be done in such a way that would benefit the downtown businesses, that was the point she was trying to make. She used New Lennox as an example - not only did it include the governmental units but also included Township but from the planners' perspective the site was totally the wrong spot. It benefits none of their current infrastructure or businesses to improve property values anywhere. Which is something to think about. Her concern was the location, and the lack of benefit to current businesses within the Village. Tim Miller questioned whether the Park District of Crete had purchased the Old Plank Bank building to the south of the current bank. The answer was no, the deal fell through. There is some hesitancy on everyone's part of working together with this project.

CLERK –

Passage of Resolution # 18-05 for Road and Bridge  
Danne Road over the branch of Plum Creek

Commissioner Recupito was asked to explain the purpose which is to allow for MFT funds to be used and requires matching local funds.

Motion to approve the Resolution # 18-05 was made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hodge. Roll call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Grady – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Resolution #18-05 stands approved.



. Request for Sponsorship – Crete Country Christmas –

Supervisor Liccar explained the levels of support and stated in the past, Crete Township has sponsored the Christmas Angel Sponsor for \$1,000.00.

Motion to sponsor the Christmas Angel Sponsor again was made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hodge. Roll call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Grady – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes.

. Request for donation to Christmas on the Boulevard – Steger

Motion by Trustee Hodge to donate \$1,000.00 for the Christmas on the Boulevard and \$60.00 for membership to the Chamber of Commerce. Motion to approve the donation and membership was made by Trustee Hodge, seconded by Trustee Grady. Roll call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Grady – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes

TRUSTEE GRADY – Financial reports – see attached.

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER REPORT - see attached

ASSESSOR REPORT – see attached

#### ACTIVITY REPORTS:

Plan Commission – No report

Building and Grounds – Bob Hodge - Project parking lot – complete

Senior Transportation – Bob Hodge - Expenses are running about the same between \$4,000 and \$6,000 per month

Youth – Jim Piacentini - Trick or Treat Trail – October 27<sup>th</sup>

Mosquito abatement – Jim Piacentini - Spraying will continue for the next 3 weeks  
New truck should arrive in about 3 weeks

Senior and Special Events – Frank Elton - Christmas Senior Dinner scheduled for December 7<sup>th</sup> at Lincolnshire Country Club.

Special Recognition should be given to the office staff, especially Pam Vasquez. She single handedly went out and sold ads for the upcoming Crete Messenger, along with Patty Hanus, office manager, are working with We The Printers, to complete the process of getting the finished material to the post office and on to everyone's homes within the next few weeks.  
GREAT JOB and Many Thanks.

OLD BUSINESS – Update on donated land to the Township

Supervisor Liccar stated the original Attorney who was contacted to handle the paperwork for this donation stated more should be done including making sure all titles are clear of liens, and stated the Township should probably contact another attorney for this donation. Supervisor Liccar contacted another local attorney, who will be in touch with him.

NEW BUSINESS – None

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD – Marlene Williams, a resident of Pheasant Lakes Estates questioned the timing of repairs to the bridge. Commissioner Recupito stated that was the County's repairs and not the Townships'. She also referenced the dis-repaired conditions of Nacke Rd. south of Exchange St. Again, Commissioner Recupito stated that road is under the jurisdiction of University Park, which are having their own financial problems at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Early voting begins on October 29<sup>th</sup> and runs through November 2. Voting hours are from 9:00 a.m. to NOON and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

#### APPROVAL OF BILLS:

TOWN FUND BILLS – Motion to approve the Town Fund Bills for payment as submitted was made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hodge. Roll call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Grady – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Town fund bills stand approved for payment as submitted.

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND BILLS – Motion to approve the Road and Bridge fund bills for payment as submitted was made by Trustee Piacentini, seconded by Trustee Grady. Roll call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Grady – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Road and Bridge fund bills stand approved for payment as submitted.

Motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Grady. All were in favor, meeting stands adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Kathie Holubek