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State of Illinois

County of Will

Town of Crete

CRETE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

April 14, 2021

The regular scheduled meeting of the Crete Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Liccar at 7:00 PM.

Board members present were Trustee Elton, Trustee Hodge, Trustee Piacentini, and Supervisor Liccar. Clerk Buiter was also present. Trustee Grady was not present.

Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve the regular Board of Trustees meeting on March 10, 2021 minutes made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hodge. All were in favor. The minutes stand approved as written.

Motion to approve the minutes of the proposed Crete Township Committee meeting on March 18, 2021 by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Piacentini. All were in favor. The minutes stand approved as written.

REPORTS:

Supervisor

Supervisor Liccar stated that the Board and Township takes no pleasure that the ridership is way down due to COVID. It is down by 57% since COVID started. We are seeing more ridership. The Will Ride program is run by PACE. It is totally funded by the townships. We receive no funding from the county officials. We are seeing a rise in ridership, so our costs are rising a little bit. That is great that we are seeing more people using the Will Ride program. As the vaccines are rolling out, the ridership will come back to normal. We have providing this service for 17 years. Supervisor Liccar stated for the record the decision was made in February 2019 to ceased providing social rides due to the rising monthly costs of Will Ride program. There was no impact on rides for the citizens for medical/emergency reasons at all. In February 2019 through December 2020 there was 186 social rides which the Will Ride provided, and the Board had no control over those rides since Will Ride set these rides up by themselves and they do not turn residents away so in reality the social rides never stop.

Motion was made to reaffirm that there are no restrictions on social rides with Will Ride program by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Piacentini. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

Supervisor Liccar brought up the fine job of Crete Park District does for our youth and provides a lot of programs for them to participate in. Motion to approve \$2000 as a donation to the Crete Park District by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hodge. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

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A motion was made to approve the building usage request from Crete Women's Club/Scholarship Committee Fund for May 3, 2021 9AM -12:30 PM by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hodge. All were in favor. Motion passes.

A motion was made to approve the building usage request from Crete Women's Club/Budget Committee Fund for April 28, 2021 9AM -12:30 PM by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hodge. All were in favor. Motion passes.

Trustee Hodge brought up the exterior landscaping contract. This is a separate contract than the lawn cutting contract. A motion was made to award the contract to JTP Landscaping for \$2172.60 to handle the exterior landscaping by Trustee Hodge, second by Trustee Elton. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

Supervisor Liccar brought to the attention for the public a memorandum of understanding between Will County Center for Community Concerns and Crete Township. A motion was made to approve the memorandum by Trustee Piacentini, seconded by Trustee Elton. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

Supervisor Liccar brought up technology contract. We were using a service for our internet equipment and we found a better provider named Interpeak Technologies, Inc. The new contract will be provided equipment outages and services for front office computes and phone system for 30 hours at \$105 per hour so their total amount would be \$3,150. Anything outside of these services would be \$150 per hour. A motion was to approve this contract with Interpeak Technology, Inc. for \$3,150 by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Piacentini. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

Clerk:

Trustee Grady - Financial Reports. See attached.

Highway Commissioner- Tony Recupito provided the report. The public can request a copy if they want more details. Equipment maintenance is ongoing. We are cold patching has begun. Tree removal from catch basins and were opened where necessary. Damage Landscape was repaired. Ditch work

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completed on Klemme Road was completed. Sign repairs and replacements were done on Mary Lane, Klemme Road, Goodenow Road, Norfolk Road, Burrville Road, Bemis Road, and Stoney Island. The Stateline Road and Exchange Street Project is up for approval and the Pre-Con meeting will be on April 15th where the construction start date will be discussed.

Assessor – See Written Report from the Assessor.

Plan Commission – None

Building and Grounds – Everything was talked above by Trustee Hodge.

Senior Transportation – Supervisor Liccar mentioned that above.

Youth – Trustee Piacentini mentioned that Crete Park District is having several kids' events for US Quick Ball for the 4-5 years to get to use the baseball. They are having Earth Day on April 22, 2021. Also, they are starting Father/Daughter dance in July 2021. Check the website is www.cretepark.com.

Mosquito Abatement – Trustee Piacentini informed that when he took over, he got a new vendor, Univar, and saved over \$30 for each application. Everything is getting prepared for the spraying.

Senior & Special Events – Trustee Elton informed everyone there will a drive through for the senior summer picnic.

OLD BUSINESS – Supervisor Liccar mentioned that he held a meeting for the Proposed Crete Township new campus. A lot of the community groups showed up many participated. It was very good discussion with these groups. We want this to be self-funded as a last resort maybe 10-year bonds if we need to borrow.

NEW BUSINESS – There will be Budget workshops upcoming. Supervisor Liccar established as April 26, 2021 at 2 PM as the date and time at the Town Hall building. Supervisor Liccar introduced Bob Walters who is now a liaison to Will County Land Use. He helps us in reconciling land violations and building inspections with Will County Land Use. He is doing excellent job with the citizens and Will county.

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD –

CORRESPONDENCE –

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Crete Country Christmas is going forward with plans and having a meeting on April 21, 2021. This for Chairpersons for the committees. They are looking for volunteering opportunities.

APPROVAL OF BILL:

Town Funds bills – Motion to approve the Town Fund bills for payment as presented was made by Trustee Piacentini, seconded by Trustee Elton. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – 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 payments as submitted was made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hodge. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Road and Bridge Fund Bills stand approved for payment as submitted.

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Motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Piacentini. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Trustee Grady - yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion carries. Meeting stands adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Buiter, Clerk