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Town of Crete

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CRETE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

May 12, 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 April 14, 2021 minutes made by Trustee Piacentini, seconded by Trustee Elton. All were in favor. The minutes stand approved as written.

REPORTS:

Supervisor

Supervisor Liccar stated that the ridership is at 221 rides. This is down by about 40% from a year ago. The cost rose to \$11.48 a ride versus a \$10.83 per ride a year. 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.

Motion was made to publish the budget of the Town Funds 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.

Motion was made to publish the budget of the Road and Bridge Funds 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.

A motion was made to approve the building usage request from the Ridgefield Homeowner's Association Fund for November 4, 2021 6 PM- 9 PM 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 to the attention that the township has robust social media presence on the internet. Supervisor Liccar has found an individual who does quality job in this arena and asked him to provide a proposal for his services. The goal to make our social media presence timelier and user friendly. Nick Borrelli proposed that Crete Township has a social media and website content. This proposal would include news and press releases of different events and newsworthy items. A motion was made to approve the retainer contract of \$1500 per month by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee

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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 the fact that He has discussed to the Linden Group to start up the planning proposal. His contact said the previous proposal from 2019 did not go up and is the same price. A motion was made to hire the Linden Group for \$5800 to \$7975 to provide conceptual building programming 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.

Supervisor Liccar brought up the flooding problems throughout Crete Township. There is a company that install a big cage and under the steel cage there is conduit that lets the beaver go through and keeps the debris and logs flowing through. This is very friendly to the beaver population. The Army Corp of Engineers must approve this procedure. He wants to keep the board update. This is addressing a problem that the residents of Crete Township did not want to handle.

Clerk:

Trustee Grady - Financial Reports. See attached.

Highway Commissioner- Tim Miller provided the report. The public can request a copy if they want more details. Equipment maintenance is ongoing. We are cold patching has begun. Monthly branch pick up is ongoing. Ditch work completed on Rana Drive, Plum Valley, Ashland Ave, Hickory Lane, Kings Road was completed. Sign repairs and replacements were done on Offner Road, Mary Lane, Klemme Road, Stoney Island Avenue. All trucks passed safety inspection. Oxcart will be handling all overweight and over dimension permits. The contractor of the Danne Bridge has agreed to correct the landscaping and pavement to the proper specifications.

Assessor – See Written Report from the Assessor.

Plan Commission – None

Liaison Property Code Matters – Bob Walters discussed that there are some ongoing issues in the Willow brook subdivision. He thanks the Assessor's office for helping find PIN numberds and Supervisor Liccar and Tony Recupito and Tim Miller for their advice. There has been some grass and garbage burning are being reported so that will have to be taken care of.

Building and Grounds – Trustee Hodge will be meeting with couple vendors for the carpet install in the office and he will keep us posted.

Senior Transportation – Supervisor Liccar mentioned that above.

Youth – Trustee Piacentini mentioned that Crete Park District is having registration going on for several events. Check the website is www.cretepark.com.

Mosquito Abatement – Trustee Piacentini informed that the machines are getting calibrated and will be ready to go when the mosquitos show up.

Senior & Special Events – Trustee Elton informed everyone that there will be senior summer picnic when the governor decides to open the state. It will be a lot of fun for the seniors. He will keep us posted.

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OLD BUSINESS –

NEW BUSINESS –

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD –

CORRESPONDENCE –

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Supervisor Liccar thanks Trustee Grady for his service as Collector from May 2009 through May 2017 and as Trustee from May 2017 through May 2021.

A motion was made to suspend the regular meeting and go into an Executive Session by Trust 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.

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.

Supervisor Liccar mentioned that there was one person on the Zoom Conference call. He thanks that individual for attending.

Road and Bridge Fund Bills – Motion to approve the Road and Bridge Fund bills for payments as submitted 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. Road and Bridge Fund Bills stand approved for payment as submitted.

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 8:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Buiter, Clerk