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County of Will

Town of Crete

CRETE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

April 13, 2022

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, Trustee Albrecht and Supervisor Liccar. Clerk Buitter was also present.

Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Trustees meeting on March 9, 2022, as written, made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hodge. All were in favor. Motion passes. The minutes stand approved as written.

REPORTS:

Supervisor Liccar has noted that ridership is increased by 4.47% from full year comparisons but our cost has risen by 15.96% from last year and the average cost has risen by 10% from last year. The labor costs and fuel have gone up since it has been hard to find drivers. In addition, they are utilizing Uber and Lyft drivers also.

Supervisor Liccar mentioned that he spoke to Chuck Miedema and the last he has heard that the attorneys are not communication very well. The seller is very frustrated. We have acted in good faith and must wait it out till the matter gets resolved between the two parties.

A motion was made to borrow funds to purchase a plow truck for \$113,686.91 by Trustee Elton, second by Trustee Piacentini. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Trustee Albrecht – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

A motion was made allow the Crete Historical Society to use the building for their meeting on March 31, 2022, 7PM – 9PM by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hodge. All were in favor. Motion passes.

A motion was made allow the Crete Women's Club meeting to use the building for their meeting on May 2, 2022, 9AM -12:00 by Trustee Elton, second by Trustee Hodge. All were in favor. Motion passes.

Supervisor Liccar mentioned the Village of Crete is looking for a donation for the Crete Memorial Day Celebration Parade. A motion was made to donate \$500 to the Crete Memorial Day Celebration Parade by Trustee Elton, second by Trustee Albrecht. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Trustee Albrecht – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

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Supervisor Liccar mentioned the annual maintenance contract of \$1,045 with Interpeak Technology. A motion was made to approve this contract by Trustee Elton, second by Trustee Albrecht. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Trustee Albrecht – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

Supervisor Liccar stated that the Budget Meeting would be held on April 26, 2022, at 4 PM. Everyone agreed to fit the meeting in their schedule.

Clerk:

Clerk Buitter mentioned that The Statement of Economic Interest are due by May 1, 2022. It is all online now.

Trustee Albrecht - Financial Reports. See attached.

Highway Commissioner- Equipment maintenance is ongoing. Monthly Branch Pickup resumes on April 4, 2022. Tree trimming and removal was done on Klemme Road, Carriage Lane, Reichert Drive, Stateline Road, Offner Road, Stoney Island, and Root Drive Sign repairs and replacements were done at Challas Drive, Norfolk Rd, Goodenow Road, Stateline Road, Shady Court , Pine Drive, and Offner Road, Stoney Island Ave. Cold Patching is still ongoing. We have used 6.15 tons of asphalt. Roadside trash pickup is ongoing. We have collected 92 bags of trash so far. The bucket truck was inspected. Since contracting with Oxcart Permitting Service in May 2021 for overweighting/over dimension trucks, we have collected \$3,300 through March 2022. That is in only 11 months since we started doing this contract.

Assessor – See Written Report from the Assessor.

Plan Commission – John Rzymiski has been notified of a pig activity on Klemme Road. A resident has 2 pot belly pigs, and she has moved into the township so she needs to get a variance since you can only have 1 pig per acre. She has been using a temporary use permit. She has had the ordinance changed so she could have 2 male pigs on her property. There have been no complaints so far and John is comfortable with the zoning variance change. The trustees and Supervisor Liccar were comfortable with the variance. A motion was made that there is no opposition to the zoning variance by Trustee Piacentini, second by Trustee Elton. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Trustee Albrecht – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes. John Rzymiski also mentioned there was a symposium on electric vehicles and how they can fit in the economic development in Will County is being held at Governor State University on April 23, 2022.

Liaison Property Code Matters – Bob Walters Supervisor Liccar mentioned that there were couple residences with all garbage all over the property and Bob is working on to hinder this type of behavior.

Building and Grounds –Trustee Hodge will be getting bids for the carpet cleaning situation.

Senior Transportation – Supervisor Liccar mentioned that above.

Youth – Trustee Albrecht mentioned that we donated money to the F- man of Crete for their egg hunt on April 16. In addition, she hopes to have music concerts and youth dance groups in the new building. She mentioned that she was invited to a Crete Monee school district to participate with other government bodies are doing.

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Mosquito Abatement – Trustee Piacentini informed that the machines are being calibrated and will be ready to go. The pickup truck is at Terry's Ford in Peotone for regular maintenance and some of tires are being replaced. This is covered underneath warranty. He also mentioned that him and Bob Walters will be taking a training class for briquets distribution.

Senior & Special Events – Trustee Elton is waiting for the building to be closed and will determine next month where the senior picnic will be held.

Flags and Logo Committee – Supervisor Liccar gave Nick some suggestions about the logo, and he is incorporated the church and train images in the logo. Nick will be looking it over and will keep us posted. Nick is also working on videos on Facebook and our websites.

Trustee Elton just wanted to mention that no citizens were in the audience and only employees and elected officials were present in the room.

OLD BUSINESS - Supervisor Liccar mentioned that he went to a training session where the Supervisor needs to disclose to the Board about the requirements for emergency and general assistance. He will incorporate them in the books. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Trustee Albrecht – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

NEW BUSINESS – A motion was made that the Township donate for the special needs adults for the different activities sponsored by South Suburban Special Recreation Association for \$360 for the two individuals by Trustee Elton, second by Trustee Albrecht. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Trustee Albrecht – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD – Trustee Albrecht mentioned that Lois Prowley passed away at the age of 89. She worked as a volunteer for the Food Pantry for years. The Board would like to express our sympathy and condolences to the family. Services will be held at the Trinity Lutheran Church tomorrow April 14, 2022. 9 till 11 AM.

CORRESPONDENCE –

ANNOUNCEMENTS –

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 Hodge. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Piacentini – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes Trustee Albrecht - yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Town Fund Bills stand approved for payment as submitted.

Trustee Elton mentioned that the Assessor, Nick the media man, and Planning Commissioner and elected official were in attendance, and no other citizens were present.

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, Trustee Albrecht - 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 Albrecht. All were in favor. Meeting stands adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Buitter, Clerk