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Town of Crete

CRETE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

July 12, 2023

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

A Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes of the Decennial Committee of Local Government Efficiency Meeting on June 9, 2023, was made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Albrecht. All were in favor. The minutes are approved as written.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Town Fund and Road Bridge Budget Meeting on June 14, 2023, was made by Trustee Piacentini, seconded by Trustee Hawkins. All were in favor. The minutes are approved as written.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting on June 14, 2023, was made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hawkins. All were in favor. The minutes are approved as written.

REPORTS:

Supervisor Liccar mentioned that Wendy Gerlich has resigned, and the Board is looking for a replacement, there has been no billing for the last two months so we will expect a good size bill in the future.

Supervisor Liccar has met with the Village of Crete, Crete Library District, and Crete Park District to discuss working on a Community Center with them. Trustee Elton is not in favor of discussing with anyone jointly operating any building since we tried this a couple years ago and we would have limited use of the building. Supervisor Liccar did mention that he talked to Judy Ogalla on the Will County Board and they have about \$13,000,000 left over from the ARPA funds and she will keep us posted about that the availability of these funds.

A motion was made to approve the building usage application Crete Womens Club monthly meeting September 14, October 12, November 9, December 12, 2023, January 11, February 8, March 14, April 12, May 9, 2024. Between 9 – 11AM, by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Albrecht. One exception is the room is already booked for the week of December 12th date; Deputy Clerk Hanus will communicate this to the Women's Club as soon as possible. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Albrecht - yes, Trustee Hawkins - yes Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

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Clerk:

Supervisor Liccar - Financial Reports. See attached.

Highway Commissioner - Equipment maintenance is ongoing. Tree branch pickup is ongoing and will continue the first Monday of the month through October. Roadside mowing with boom mower. Applied shoulder stone at various locations. Cold Patch roads material used – 1 ton. Asphalt patching in at all new culvert locations. Material used was 26.13n tons. Tree trimming/removal completed on Klemme Road, Bemis Road, and Goodenow Road. Crews went out on July 6th with machinery to remove downed trees in and along the roads due to the overnight storm. Most issues were east of IL 394. Our 2023 Pavement maintenance project letting was held on June 22nd, 2023. A low bid contract of \$721,617.75 was awarded to Iroquois Paving. The project will include several culvert replacements, asphalt patching at many locations, and 3.8 miles of paving overlay. Tim Miller mentioned that we need to work on the IL – 394 and Exchanged intersection. This is very dangerous but there is no response from the State of Illinois Department of Transportation. Supervisor Liccar mentioned that we pay \$1000 for storm water removal but when he gets a request to help when the floods come, he gets no help. It is quite frustrating. He is going to reach out to Representative Deluca.

Assessor: Report is pending from the Assessor.

Plan Commission – John Rzymiski mentioned that they are going to install 2 big solar farms on the corner on Sutton Road and Goodenow Road and another on the corner on Cottage Grove and Munz road. They are both 40 acres. If you are a Comed customer, you can apply for this electricity. Will County Board is looking for landscapers to keep the property properly maintained. It was brought about a big party that went on on Munz Road where there were 150 people and loud music and drinking going on any given weekend night. This group is using the Agritourist regulation to operate these parties. Will County Land use is looking to review and vote on this issue. We can show up at these meetings if you want to, but Trustee Albrecht brought up the point they don't listen to us anyways. Will County Board member Sherry New quits mentioned to Supervisor Liccar that the Land use voted for the Special permit for the truck parking at Balmoral. There also the 62 acres on Sangamon Road was sold for \$25,000 per acre. He thinks it might be a solar farm. He will keep us posted.

Liaison Property Code – Included in the Plan Commission report.

Building and Grounds – Trustee Elton announced that he has three bids for replacing three furnaces and air conditioner and install air purification with UV lightning which kills the mold and provides better air quality. He has a quote from Mertz for \$27,615, a quote from Four Seasons Heating and Air Conditioning for \$28,370 and from Affordable Temperature Control for \$25,255. Supervisor Liccar recommended that we send all three quotes to Will County to get their approval from the board and their ARPA auditors. A motion was made to use Affordable Temperature Control, Inc contingent on the approval from the Will County Board and their ARPA consultant by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Albrecht. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Albrecht - yes, Trustee Hawkins - yes Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

Trustee Elton mentioned he has a quote to replace the carpets with wood flooring by Beecher Carpet and wood flooring. Supervisor Liccar mentioned that we should get three quotes and send them to Will

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County and their ARPA consultant. A motion was made to get two quotes for the wood flooring subject to the approval of the Will County Board and their ARPA consultant by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Albrecht. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Albrecht – yes, Trustee Hawkins – yes Trustee Piacentini – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

Trustee Elton also mentioned that he had the generator inspected and everything is looking fine and working. He is also getting quotes on the bathrooms and fixtures renovations that will be ARPA compliant. Trustee Elton will be quotes at least 3 quotes.

Senior Transportation – Supervisor Liccar mentioned that there was no report since there was no billing or ridership report from the Paratransit committee in Joliet.

Youth – Trustee Albrecht is organizing a Kid's, garage and Back to School Event on August 12, 2023, from 10 AM to 2 PM in the newly paved parking lot. She also mentioned that the Acorn Fest and we will sponsor the bouncy houses on September 16, 2023. She will have a banner out there with the new logo out there at the Acorn Fest.

Mosquito Abatement – Bob Walters has received 2 calls about mosquitoes being spotted. He has gone out fogging and spraying for them but there are not a lot out there because of the dry weather. He will keep us posted.

Senior –Trustee Hawkins mentioned there will be a summer picnic event on August 18, 2023 at park. Everything is ready to go rain or sun.

Special Events - Trustee Elton had nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – Trustee Elton mentioned that in the audience there is 2 employees and 2 chairman committee heads and no one from the public who are nonaffiliated with township.

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD –

CORRESPONDENCE –

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXECUTIVE SESSION –

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APPROVAL OF Town Fund Bills – Motion to approve the Town Fund bills for payment as presented was made by Trustee Piacentini, seconded by Trustee Hawkins. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – 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 Albrecht. All were in favor. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Trustee Hawkins – 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 Albrecht. All were in favor. Adjournment passes. The meeting stands adjourned at 7:51 PM.

Meeting stands adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Buitter, Clerk