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State of Illinois

County of Will

Town of Crete

CRETE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

October 11, 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 Hawkins, Trustee Piacentini, and Supervisor Liccar. Clerk Butler was also present.

A Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag. There was a moment of silence for the death for James P. Muirhead, Fire Chief of Village Crete Fire Department.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting on September 13, 2023, was made by Trustee Piacentini, seconded by Trustee Elton. All were in favor. The minutes are approved as written.

REPORTS:

Supervisor Liccar mentioned that he had a zoom meeting with the Ancer Advisory company who is the consulting firm that will County uses to administer the ARPA funds program. Supervisor Liccar applied for matching grant to build out a new community center. We awarded a \$822,000 to build it out. We have by January of 2024 we would need to have a plan to accomplish this buildout. We also will need to have the public electors to approve this project. If we get approval from the electors and we would have to have architect plans and a location determined by December 2024. We need to have the center built by December of 2026. Supervisor Liccar would like to call a Special Board to discuss this matter of community center. He set it for Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at 6 PM.

Supervisor Liccar mentioned the Will County Will Ride sent out a study which stated that they want to expand the program to help assist the help the handicapped citizens. They claim they would pick up 33% of the cost. The county board allowed only 3 minutes for the townships involved to speak. He will keep us informed as more info comes out.

A motion was made to approve the contractual agreement between us and Will County Community Concerns which operated LIHEAP program to use our building by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hawkins. 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.

A motion was made to approve a \$200 donation to the Crete Money Booster Club for their fundraising programs by Trustee Albrecht, seconded by Trustee Hawkins. 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.

having carpets where a lot of germs can be found. The bathrooms will be worked on later in October to get the new pipe underneath Wood Street installed. The bathrooms will be modernized by November, 2023. We must install a larger water pipe and valve to accommodate the touchless system to keep the bathrooms cleaner and make sure we comply with Covid regulations.

Senior Transportation – Trustee Piacentini mentioned that the mentioned that the cost rose to \$18.76 in April. It went up by about \$500 per month.

Youth – Trustee Albrecht stated October 28, 2023 is the Trail and Treat event. Trustee Hawkins and Debbie Elton will be working it. Angel on Assignment will be having spaghetti dinner on October 28. She is working on the Santa ride and will keep us posted on the toy drive.

Mosquito Abatement – Bob Walters stated the program is done for the season.

Senior – Trustee Hawkins mentioned the senior Christmas party plans are on going. The dates are December 14th and December 15th. It will be held at Scrementini's Restaurant.

Special Events - Trustee Elton reported that the Employee Christmas party will be held on December 21, 2023 at Scrementinis.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – None

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD –

CORRESPONDENCE –

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXECUTIVE SESSION –

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 Albrecht – 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 Albrecht – 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. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes, Trustee Hawkins – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Adjournment passes. The meeting stands adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Buiter, Clerk

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A motion was made to donate \$2000 to the Christmas on the Boulevard Program In Steger, IL by Trustee Albrecht, seconded by Trustee Elton. 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.

A motion was made to make sure that any entity who would like to rent our building that they do the approval process at the board meeting before the event occurs by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Piacentini. 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.

A motion was made to approve the building usage application Crete Pantry: meeting October 11, 2023, 9-11 AM 2023 and Pheasant Lakes Estate Association on October 9, 2023, 9:00-11 AM by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hawkins. 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.

Supervisor Liccar reported that Bob Walters, our mosquito person who has done an excellent job, is retiring. We will need to replace by next spring. He also mentioned that the University of Illinois study has come out with their results. The citizens wanted community center and they want quality services like snow removal and mosquito abatement. We did received high marks on a lot of the categories.

Clerk:

Supervisor Liccar - Financial Reports. See attached.

Highway Commissioner - Equipment maintenance is ongoing. Last Tree branch pickup was on October 2 and the 2024 pickup dates will be posted on our website in the spring.. Cold Patch roads material used – 1.02 ton. Tree trimming/removal completed on Cumberland Lane, Stateline Road and Norway Trail. Sign repair/replacements–Danne Road. Culvert Replacements were done at 2 locations on Shady Oaks Trail. Landscape restoration at all new culverts. Shoulder stone was applied along newly paved roads. New street light insyalled at the intersection of Danne and Stateline Roads. All tractors and mowers were prepped and stored for winter. 2023 mpavement mainterm=nanmce program is complete. We have paved approximately 3.8 miles of roads and patch3ed at vsarious localtrionsd through out t5he township.

Assessor: See attached the report from the Assessor

Plan Commission – John Rzymiski was not present. Supervisor Liccar readhis report. He mentioned he wasnot nofited about the solar farm projects. They were not very good about the one on Torrence Avenue one. This can be sometimes frustrating. There was general discussion about the solar farm being annexed into the Vilage of Crete.

Lialson Property Code – No report.

Building and Grounds – Trustee Elton announced that the air is germ free since the three new Bryant furnaces have been installed with UV purifiers. We installed all wood floors which will be better than