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County of Will

Town of Crete

CRETE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

March 12, 2025

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

The board members present were Trustee Elton, Trustee Albrecht, Trustee Hawkins, Trustee Piacentini, and Supervisor Liccar. Clerk Buiter was also present.

A Pledge of Allegiance was given.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Trustees Meeting on February 12, 2025, was made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Albrecht. All were in favor. The minutes are approved as written.

REPORTS:

Supervisor Liccar mentioned there has been a lot of stuff going on. Professional Building Services have decided not to participate in consulting on the new community center. We have several requests to establish a pickle ball court. There are nine people who are interested in joining. We talked to them about recovering the cost of running this program. They are willing to set up the courts with painter's tape. They would like to meet and play on Wednesday night from 6 PM through 9 PM and Thursday in the morning from 9 AM – 12 Noon. The fees they seem to be amiable would be \$6 for residents and \$8 for non-residents. We will have 10 punch cards for them to track their activities. It will be staffed by the volunteers, and they will clean up after their activities. The motion was to establish the Crete Township Pickle Ball Club which will be run by volunteers and the rate will \$6 for each session for each resident and \$8 each session for nonresidents by Supervisor Liccar, 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.

Supervisor Liccar heard some complaints that nonresidents of walking club should be charged a higher rate. A motion was made to charge \$50 a year for residents and \$70 a year for the nonresident 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.

He also been approached by the Richard Moore of the Will County Land Use development about the flooding in the area. They also brought about the community center and the Bridgette and Cathy from the Will County Development Department is coming out to the center on March 20, 2025 at 11:00 AM.

Supervisor Liccar discussed that there is a new bill in Springfield to eliminate the townships. There are several reasons to keep our township. He read Resolution #25-1 with the exact verbiage that the board

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should approve. A motion was made to approve and publish this resolution by Supervisor Liccar, 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 approve the agenda for the Annual Town Hall meeting on April 8, 2025, at 7:00 PM by Supervisor Liccar, 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 approve the Building Usage Application: Crete Women’s Club Cookie Sale, Meeting Room, on December 5th and 6th, 2025 8 AM- 3 PM 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.

CLERK: Clerk Buiter – Clerk Buiter mentioned that there will be early voting on March 24th through Saturday, March 29th, 2025. He also mentioned the statement of interests are due May 1, 2025.

Supervisor Liccar - Financial Reports. See attached.

Highway Commissioner – See Attached Report from Highway Commissioner Recupito.

Assessor: See Attached Report from Assessor Tamez

Plan Commission – John Rzymiski – John received a special use permit for State Line Road for animal farming. He would like large animals and more animals. No idea what size or quantity. The land use committee from Joliet, IL has no clear guidance on this matter. Nice discussion ensued and I will wait to see what happens with Joliet’s decision. A motion was made to oppose this application for the special use permit of Mr. Torres 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.

Liaison Property Code Report – No report

Building and Grounds – Trustee Elton mentioned that the security systems have been installed. We now have state-of-the-art cameras installed throughout the building covering every inch of the building. The fire alarm will be installed next week. We have an inspection of the fire sprinkler system. All three flags are in place and flying. We had a deep cleaning of the building, and it was a lot of work. We have a phone system with no additional cost. He has an estimate of JTP Lawn for the flowerpots. A motion was made to allow Trustee Elton to go up to but not exceed to \$2900 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.

Senior Transportation – Trustee Piacentini – No update.

Youth – Trustee Albrecht received two volunteers to help her out with new clinics and events. She is also looking into more grants for other activities.

Mosquito Abatement – Fay Kiaurakis stated that she has a quote for the spray. It is approximately \$38,000. Supervisor Liccar mentioned that this will be discussed in the budget meeting. She also met

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with a group of people who were concerned about the bees and her spraying and she assured them that she is aware of their concerns and will communicate with him.

Senior – Trustee Elton stated that there will be a St. Patrick’s Corned Beef lunch on March 13, 2025, at the Community Center. is the senior lunch Crete EMA have an open house on March 29, 2025, 9 AM – 2 PM. Crete Police Department has a bingo fundraiser at Smokey Joe’s at 6 PM through 9 PM. .

Special Events – No report

OLD BUSINESS –

NEW BUSINESS –

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 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. 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 Piacentini, 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. 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 8:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Buiter, Clerk