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County of Will

Town of Crete

CRETE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

August 11, 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, Trustee Albrecht and Supervisor Liccar. Clerk Buiter 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 June 9, 2021 Budget Meeting as written made by Trustee Piacentini, seconded by Trustee Elton. All were in favor. Motion passes. The minutes stand approved as written.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Budget meeting minutes on July 14, 2021 as written made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Albrecht. All were in favor. Motion passes. The minutes stand approved as written.

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Trustees meeting on July 14, 2021 as written made by Trustee Piacentini, seconded by Trustee Albrecht. All were in favor. Motion passes. The minutes stand approved as written.

Motion to approve the minutes of the special Electors meeting on June 29, 2021 as written made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Hodge. All were in favor. Motion passes. The minutes stand approved as written.

REPORTS:

Supervisor

Supervisor Liccar stated that we have not received any reports or invoice. Last time we received was three months ago. He will keep us posted in the future.

Supervisor Liccar received all the lease agreements and on Egnyte internal database. He found out that the proposed property lines will give the 14 garage units to the condo association and Crete Township will own 10 garage units and the back parking lot. We will also own the driveway and there will easements to allow the condo owners to be able to go in and out. In addition, the property line between the garage buildings would be split down the middle. Supervisor Liccar had discussions with Mayor Einhorn and Administrator Smith and the zoning laws require two parking spots per condo so the garage counts as one spot and we would reserve 12 spots for the condo owners in our parking lot. We also will

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have a shared maintenance cost to maintain the driveway with 60 % paid by the condo association and 40% by Crete Township. On the lease agreements, our attorney recommends that we cancel the leases and write new leases with the tenants. It will take few years before we can occupy the new building so Supervisor Liccar would like to call each tenant directly and have them sign the new lease agreements. The attorneys are talking and working out the details about the closing. Supervisors Liccar has requested from three inspection companies. Also, at their the expense, Crete Center has retained surveyors to work on the property lines. Hope the closing will happen in the next several months.

Motion was made to donate \$5,000 to the Crete Country Christmas event to be a Corporate sponsor 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 Albrecht – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

Supervisor Liccar mentioned about the new Ambassador program which could be volunteers for helping at township's events in the future. A motion was made to start an Ambassador program by Trustee Piacentini, seconded 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 put together a resolution to honor a veteran from Crete Township for this individual. This is an honor flight to Washington to see the war memorial. He will get a mail call on the flight where the resolution will be read out loud. The resolution reads that Michael E Hurly served as a corporal in the US Army in Okinawa and Vietnam. He also served as Commander of American Legion Post 220. A motion was made to approve the resolution 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, Trustee Albrecht – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes.

Motion was made to approve the building usage by the Crete Women's Club for all the dates listed on the application by Trustee Elton, seconded 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.

Clerk:

Trustee Albrecht - 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 is ongoing. Monthly branch pick up is ongoing. Second round of roadside mowing is completed. Ditch work completed on Volbrecht Road, Old Mud Road, and Offner Road. Sign repairs and replacements were done on Klemme Road, Solar Stop blinker sign and speed limit sign. Roadside ditch mowing continues with boom mower. Culvert replacements are being done at Volbrecht Road. Tree trimming and removal was done Rietveld Drive, Klemme Road Stoney Island Ave. Many low hanging branches were cut throughout the township. Our 2021 Pavement Maintenance Bid opening was held on July 22nd and the low bid was submitted by Iroquois Paving doe \$501,598.88 and they were awarded the project.

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Assessor – See Written Report from the Assessor. A motion was made to declare the Assessor's computer equipment as surplus and obsolete and to disposed at the discretion of the Assessors by Trustee Elton, seconded 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.

Plan Commission – John Rzymiski – Supervisor Liccar discussed that there were some issues with the lawn upkeep and maintenance on the solar farms. Supervisor Liccar would like the issue would be address by Will County Land Use.

Liaison Property Code Matters – Bob Walters discussed that there were some issues with lawn care. There were 4 lots, three was owned by one owner so three of the four are rectified since the owner had them mower. There was a squatter issue. Will County Land Use Department is aware of this situation. There was a question on a lot about the aquiculture zoning. Will County Land Use Department knows about the situation. Bob Walters noticed that there was a farmer discing the 40-acre lot. He will keep us posted.

Building and Grounds – Trustee Hodge informed everyone that the carpet was installed in the Assessor's Office and to everyone's satisfaction. We had someone inspect the air conditioning was on fan mode and no cool air was coming in. We received two bids from heating and A/C bids and there where about \$5000 to replace the A/C units. No warranties on the old equipment since the equipment was too old. A motion was to replace the air conditioning unit including coils up to \$5,000 by Trustee Hodge, seconded by Trustee Hodge.

Senior Transportation – Supervisor Liccar mentioned that above.

Youth – Trustee Albrecht is working with the Crete Park Dsitric to setup a Crete Township Fun Center at the Acorn Fest in September. We can be a corporate sponsor for a \$5,000 donation. A motion was made to Crete Township becomes a corporate sponsor for the Acorn Fest, seconded 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.

Mosquito Abatement – Trustee Piacentini informed that the machines are spraying properly depending on the weather. He checked out the prices of the spray and Clark equipment supplies were about \$700 more per barrel versus for current suipplier.

Senior & Special Events – Trustee Elton pointed out that there are no residents were in the public meeting excepted elected officials. Everyone enjoyed the picnic and the the entertainment. There was enough food. We had over 140 attendees. Another tremendous success. He is working on the Christmas party and still negotiating for the venue.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS There was a fire in The Colonies Apartment complex. Supervisor Liccar has reached out to other nonprofits who are assisting the victims and he has given general assistance checks to them. We are trying to help the victims as much as we can.

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD –

CORRESPONDENCE – We received a letter from the Crete Township Food Pantry for the insurance reimbursement.

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 Elton. Roll Call was taken as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Hodge – yes, Trustee Piacentini – yes Trustee Albrecht - 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 Piacentini. 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.

Motion to adjourn was made 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, Trustee Albrecht - yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion carries. Meeting stands adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Buiter, Clerk