Board of Trustees
October 14, 2026, 7 PM
Meeting minutes

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Liccar at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call was as follows: Supervisor Liccar, Trustee Elton, Trustee Albrecht, Trustee Hawkins, Trustee Sterdivant were present. Clerk Buiter was present.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Supervisor Liccar entertained a motion to approve the minutes of September 9, 2026, Crete Township Board of Directors meeting minutes as written. A motion was made by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Albrecht. All were in favor. Motion carried.

CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

A citizen was concerned about the mosquito abatement, and they did not come out recently. Supervisor Liccar mentioned that the crew does not go out when it is wet and stormy. Also a lot of the trees were down on the roads in Willowcreek Estate, so the crew did not go out. With that situation. We do have chemicals to take care of the bodies and little pools of water. She was also concerned about the tree removal and the handling of the phone calls going into the front office. Supervisor Liccar will investigate these matters and will keep her posted.

Another citizen was concerned about the paving going on in Willow brook Estate. Highway Commission mentioned that it is an ongoing process where the paving crew grinds the surfaces by the end of the driveways and sweep it and prepare it for the paving crew to lay down the asphalt.

Another citizen was inquiring about an emergency center or plan. Supervisor Liccar mentioned that all the emergency and disaster situations are taken care by Will County. Crete Township does not handle these specifically. Towns and Villages do have the power to handle those issues.

Tim Miller was recognized by Supervisor Liccar. Tim was the longest running employee of the township. He was also involved in the Crete Township Fire Department serving as the President of that board. Tim Miller was provided plague in his honor. Supervisor Liccar read the resolution of Tim Miller's distinguished service. Highway Commissioned Recupito mentioned how he enjoyed working with Tim for the last18 years as his immediate supervisor. A motion was made to pass 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 Sterdivant – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion carries.

WHEREAS TIMOTHY F. MILLER HAS SERVED AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CRETE TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT FOR OVER 42 YEARS FROM FEBRUARY 21, 1984, TO SEPTEMBER 13, 2026, AND WHO, MOREOVER, HAS ACHIEVED A RECORD FOR FULL-TIME SERVICE LONGEVITY AS AN EMPLOYEE OF CRETE TOWNSIP;

WHEREAS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CRETE TOWNSHIP BEING MINDFUL OF THE EXTENSIVE AND FAITHFUL SERVICE RENDERED TO THE PEOPLE OF CRETE TOWNSHIP BY SAID TIMOTHY F. MILLER;

WHEREAS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CRETE TOWNSHIP SPEAKING FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR ALL OF THE RESIDENTS OF CRETE TOWNSHIP AT LARGE, WISH TO CONGRATULATE SAID TIMOTHY F. MILLER ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CRETE TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 13, 2026, AND TO CONVEY OUR SINCERE APPREICATION FOR HIS COMMENDABLE SERVICE;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CRETE TOWNSHIP AS FOLLOWS:

RESOLVED, THAT THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECOGNIZING THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE OF TIMOTHY F. MILLER, WHO HAS FAITHFULLY SERVED THE PEOPLE OF CRETE TOWNSHIP FOR OVER 42 YEARS, FOR OUR APPRECIATION OF THAT SERVICE AND FOR OUR BEST WISHES TO HIM UPON HIS WELL-DESERVED RETIREMENT AS A VALUABLE EMPLOYEE OF THE CRETE TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THIS RESOLUTION BE PERMANENTLY SPREAD UPON THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRETE.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 14TH DAY OF OCTOBER 14, 2026.

SUPERVISORS REPORT:

Supervisor Liccar is working on the paperwork and answer all their question with the Build Illinois grant. We are asking for the $20,000 Earthwise grant. That will be used to build out of the timeline in the community center

Supervisor Liccar did mention that he was working on changing the township uses of General Assistance fund. He discussed this with our attorney. We do have some excess funds, and he was hoping to use some of the monies to assist citizens in much broader way. We can work with another nonprofit to distribute these monies. He thought about the Food Pantry and discussed this with the President of the Food Pantry. She was very interested in receiving any financial help that they can get. He and Trustee Elton also thought about any recreation activities at the community center. Some of the excess funds could be used at the center for recreation activities. A motion was made to provide some funding for the Crete Township Food pantry for the dollar amount of $1,000 a month 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 Sterdivant – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion carries.

A motion was to develop a recreation program for a modest amount for Crete Township 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 Sterdivant – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion carries.

A motion was to sponsor a tree for $100 on the Steger Holiday Trees on the Boulevard 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 Sterdivant – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion carries.

A motion was made to declare as surplus a 1999 International Harvest truck #20 IH 4500 Serial Number is XH672735 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 Sterdivant – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion carries.

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CLERK'S REPORT–

Clerk Buiter mentioned about the Early Voting hours of Monday through Saturday.

Financial Reports: See Attached

Highway Commissioner – See Attached Report from Highway Commissioner.

Assessor: See Attached Report from Assessor Tamez

Plan Commission – John Rzymski

John Rzymski mentioned the issue about the building that is housing equipment on this address, and they use it as a temporary parking place for a company based in Calumet City, IL We believe that is a commercial property and should be classifies=d as such. It is called a residential area and he needs to apply for a special use permit. Will County is in the process of updating the 2012 LRMP (Land Resource Management Plan). The Township will have an opportunity to provide input. Residents can follow the progress of the update by visiting "guidewill.co". The main areas of concern that have been identified are the truck traffic issues along Rte.53 and development along the I 355 corridors.

The landscaping business at 25555 Klemme is in the process of applying for a Special Use Permit. A temporary use permit has expired but Land Use and Code Enforcement will not take the case to court because the court will note that the application is still being processed and could be allowed under current uses. It is anticipated that this zoning case will be heard by the Plan Commission in the coming weeks, if not at the regularly scheduled meeting for October 1, 2026.

Building and Grounds Committee – Trustee Elton

The storm blew down our overhead door and bent the other one. Working with the insurance to replace the doors. The service repair came out and reversed the overhead door, so we did not have to tarp it and it is a temporary fix. Couple new cameras were installed so the pond has video coverage. The kitchen is being worked on and is getting new permits. The downspout by the east door needs to be replaced so it can be slippery.

Community Center Events – Trustee Albrecht, Coordinator Milsap

See Attached Report from Community Center Coordinator Milsap

Senior Transportation – Supervisor Liccar

Supervisor Liccar mentioned that he attended the county wide meeting and will be financed by the county so that is great news. They also put together a user guide.

Youth – Trustee Sterdivant

See attached report from Trustee Sterdivant.

Mosquito Abatement – We are waiting since the rain has happened and the rods are very crowded with the trees down. Jose will go out when the time comes.

Senior Events – Trustee Hawkins

Trustee Hawkins mentions the Trunk Sale will be Saturday, October 3, 2026. Call Collector Penman to sign up and for more details.

Pinochle is played on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 10:30 AM

There are senior events on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday at the Community Center

Trustee Hawkins thanked the Fun timers and all who supported their booth at the various events we have.

Senior Picnic was a success, and everyone enjoyed the food and fellowship and looked forward to the next one.

OLD BUSINESS – The new website is rolled out, and Jim Hanus will be setting up time to do each committee section of the website.

NEW BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SEESION –

CORRESPONDENCE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

APPROVAL OF BILLS: TOWN FUND

A motion was made to approve the Town Fund bills 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 Sterdivant – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND

A motion was made to approve the Road and Bridge Fund bills by Trustee Albrecht, seconded by Trustee Sterdivant. All were in favor. Roll Call was taen as follows: Trustee Elton – yes, Trustee Albrecht - yes, Trustee Hawkins – yes, Trustee Sterdivant – yes, Supervisor Liccar – yes. Motion passes

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Trustee Elton, seconded by Trustee Albrecht. All were in favor. Motion passes. Meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

James Buiter, Clerk