

Regular Meeting of the Crystal Lake Township Board

Meeting held at 1651 Frankfort Highway, Frankfort MI 49635
February 9, 2016

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Amy Ferris at 7 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance was made.

Roll Call: Ferris, May, Nielsen, Sullivan, and Trentham were present, constituting a quorum.

Agenda: Ferris moved that the agenda be amended and approved; Nielsen seconded: all ayes. Motion passed.

Conflicts of Interest: Ferris asked if there were any conflicts of interest; there were none.

Minutes: Nielsen moved that the minutes of the January 12, 2016, Board meeting be approved; May seconded; all ayes. Motion passed.

“For the Good of the Community”: Ferris announced that there were new bills to protect townships against adverse possession, and to provide a new, less restrictive, bill limiting township communications about ballot issues; and cemetery funds will now be allowed to invest in mutual funds.

Correspondence:

- Ann Kullenberg wrote in about tax concerns;
- Bev Augustine, one of our cemetery benefactors, wrote in about events at other cemeteries; and
- SEEDS sent notice of the availability of youth conservation workers for special projects.

County Commissioner’s Report: Commissioner Griner provided a copy of the County’s Annual Report on Construction Activity; he also reported about grants issued by the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the new Veterans’ Park, ongoing explorations of options for coroner services, Health Department communications about swimmers’ itch, EDC discussion about extending a power line and natural gas to Crystal Mountain, and expansion of meal deliveries to the homebound.

Public Comment: None.

Clerk:

- Sullivan presented the bills; questions were raised about how much money CLT should pay to the Airport Authority, so it was agreed to postpone the vote on that bill and to invite Bruce Harwood to attend the next Board meeting to explain more about the financial needs of and value provided by the airport; Sullivan moved that the remaining bills be approved for payment; Trentham seconded; all ayes. Motion passed.
- Sullivan moved that the Board of Directors of Crystal Lake Township endorse the following appointments by the Election Commission:
 1. Kathy Fishburn (D) and Joanne Herban (R) as the Receiving Board for the March 8, 2016, Presidential Primary election and
 2. Molly Comer, Alice Farr, Kathy Fishburn, Joanne Herban, Darlyne Leete, Kathy Picklo, Sue Sullivan, Cathy Wilkinson, David Wynne, Janet Wynne, and Judy VanMeter as Election Inspectors for the March 8, 2016, Presidential Primary election;Ferris seconded; roll was called; all ayes. Motion passed.

Financial Report by Treasurer:

- Trentham presented the monthly financial report; Trentham moved that the financial report be approved; Sullivan seconded; all ayes. Motion passed.
- Trentham moved that the Board approve an Agreement with the Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District (TBAISD) for Collection of 2016 Summer School Property Taxes by Crystal Lake Township; Sullivan seconded; roll was called; all ayes. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

- **Airport Authority:** Postponed until the Board has an opportunity to speak with Bruce Harwood.
- **Building & Grounds:** Postponed until next month.
- **Roads:**
 - Attendance at the 6:00 p.m. hearing about road improvements was limited, but good questions were asked;
 - Bruce Walton asked that the Board provide a resolution supporting the County Road Commission's proposal for 2016 road improvements; Nielsen moved that the Board of Directors approve the County Road Commission's proposal to spend up to \$158,000 in calendar year 2016 to improve the following roads: Airport, Bellows, Forrester, Thomas, Marquette, Graves, Pautz, and Carlson; May seconded; roll was called; all ayes. Motion passed.
 - Walton said improvements funded by the County road millage will be reported on their website.
- **Zoning:**
 - The Dollar General Group has filed a new Permit Application, which is being considered.

Unfinished Business:

New Business: None.

Public Comment:

- Nielsen reminded the Clerk that she should rotate who she calls on when roll is called.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Sue Sullivan, Clerk, reporting.