

CHESTER TOWNSHIP MINUTES-Regular Meeting

April 10, 2017

Supervisor Meerman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Other Board members present: Dianne Berenbrock, Mike Dunnuck, Troy Goodno & Jan Redding.

Agenda Approval-

Motion by JR to approve the agenda as amended. Second-DB, motion carries.

Public Comment-

Owners of the Conklin Mini-Mart requested that the Board consider permitting them to park a food truck on a vacant commercial lot they own. They were advised that a permit would be required through the Zoning Administrator, with review by the Planning Commission.

Consent Agenda-

Minutes of 3/13/2017.

Financial report & payment of bills.

Motion by JR to adopt the consent agenda as presented. Second-TG, motion carries.

Township Reports-

Community Policing-monthly report was presented

Planning Commission-TG presented a review from the last meeting. It was noted that the regular meeting scheduled for April 24, 2017 has been cancelled.

Fire Department-Chief Sheridan reported on the monthly calls and department activities.

Ottawa County GIS-Shane Pavlak from GIS presented the agreement outlining the services to be provided.

Unfinished Business-

Senior Services-the meeting scheduled for April 5th was cancelled and will be held on the 19th. It looks like City of Coopersville will be pulling out of the agreement for the cooperative authority with Wright, Chester and Polkton Townships.

Dock Ordinance-changes to the existing ordinance will not be made at this time. Property owners on the lake will be reminded of the current ordinance requirements. Comments and suggestions will be taken throughout the season and the ordinance will be reviewed again in the fall.

Election Equipment-Ottawa County has chosen the vendor that will provide the new voting machines. Most of the costs will be covered by State funding or by Ottawa County. The Township will need to budget a limited amount for maintenance. The new equipment will not be available until after the May election.

New Business-

Fireworks Permit Crockery Lake Association-Motion by TG to approve the application for a fireworks permit from the Crockery Lake Association. The event will be held on July 3, 2017. Chief Sheridan will provide standby personnel, who will volunteer their time to provide the service. Second-MD, motion carries.

Park Opening-DB reported that due to additional water testing requirements, and other issues the opening scheduled for May 1st may be delayed. She is working with the well service, plumber and water testers to coordinate all needed work.

Pavilion Roof-there are damaged shingles on the park pavilion that need to be replaced. It was suggested that this may be a good time to look into replacing the shingle roof with a metal one. JR will get quotes.

Board Member Discussion-

DB noted that the porta-jon, that was supposed to be put in place by the Conklin Recreation as part of their rental agreement for use of the ball fields, had not arrived. She will contact them with a reminder.

Adjournment-

Motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

Janice Redding

Chester Township Clerk

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