

CHESTER TOWNSHIP MINUTES-Regular Meeting

April 9, 2018

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 presented. Second-DB, motion carries.

Public Comment-

H. Dietrich-voiced concerns regarding the moratorium on commercial solar installations, vacant lots that were offered to the Township as a donation, and a site plan review presented at the Planning Commission meeting.

Consent Agenda-

Minutes of 3/12/2018.

Financial report & payment of bills.

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

Township Reports-

Community Policing-monthly report was presented

Fire Department-Chief Sheridan reported on powerline safety training, upcoming events, and recent calls.

Planning Commission-TG reported on the recent Planning Commission meeting agenda items.

Senior Services Board-the joint inter-local agreement with Polkton, Wright and City of Coopersville has been signed and meetings held with representatives from FourPointes. Motion by DB to appoint Redding as the primary representative to the Senior Services Board and Meerman as the alternate. Second-MD, motion carries.

Zoning Department-report from ZA Werschem was presented.

Unfinished Business-

Dock Ordinance-motion by TG to adopt the ordinance as presented since no changes were recommended by the Crockery Lake Association. Second-JR. Motion carries with unanimous roll call vote. A policy for clarification of enforcement regarding exemptions for agreements between neighbors for dock location will be prepared.

Fire Millage Resolution-no changes to the resolution adopted at the last meeting.

Solar Ordinance-an ordinance to regulate commercial solar energy facilities was discussed. The Planning Commission will be asked to work on developing the ordinance language. Recommendations will be requested from the attorney and planner.

Food Truck Permit-additional inspections are required by Ottawa County Environmental Health and Public Utilities before the permit can be approved for this season. JR will work with the County to help coordinate the inspections.

New Business-

Fireworks Permit-motion by GM to approve fireworks application from Crockery Lake Association. Second-MD, motion carries.

Park Building Project-preliminary drawings for a storage building were reviewed and discussed. GM and MD will work on requesting bids and making a recommendation for location. DB discussed problems with opening the restroom building due to additional water testing requirements.

Announcements-

MTA Conference is scheduled for April 23-26. The office will be open, but clerk, treasurer and supervisor will be at the conference.

Legislative Forum will be held at Fillmore Complex on May 4.

Election Day is May 8.

Bingo and Box lunch for seniors will be held at the Township Hall on May 9.

Adjournment-

Motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.

Janice Redding
Chester Township Clerk

(Any document referenced in these minutes is on file in the Clerk's office)