

La Crescent Township  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
May 10, 2017

**Final Approved**

Township Board Members Present:

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| Bob Cummings    | Bob Schuldt     | Larry Hafner  |
| Dan Brodigan    | William Beckman | Tom Tornstrom |
| Larry Jankowski | Karen Schuldt   |               |

Chairman Bob Cummings called the May monthly meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present. Chairman Cummings took the roll call.

4. Approval of Agenda: **Bob Schuldt made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, Tom Tornstrom seconded, motion carried.**

5. Minutes of April 8, 2017 Organizational meeting: **Bill Beckman made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Bob Schuldt seconded, motion carried.** Minutes of April 10, 2017 Regular Meeting: **Tom Tornstrom made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.**

6. Visitors/Speakers to Address the Board: Teresa Walter addressed the board that she has some books/materials that she used in the past as Clerk/Supervisor and wanted to hand them in to Karen to see if it's something she can use or they can be disposed of. Teresa also added at the Township Officer's Association meeting the officers decided to bring up the talks about the mining in Houston county. The seventeen townships and officers agreed to the following resolution: The Houston Township Officer's Association supports the Houston County ordinance, as written regarding mining in Houston County for construction and agricultural purposes. The ordinance assists Township officials in carrying out their duties and responsibilities. Teresa also reported the approaches on both sides of the Skunk Hollow Bridge are bad.

7. Treasurers Report: **Dan Brodigan made a motion to approve the Treasurers report as presented, Bob Schuldt seconded, motion carried.**

8. Zoning Report: A. Permits issued: Permit number 1313 was issued to Nick Fruechte 1362 Fast Lane to build a deck. Permit number 1314 was issued to Jeffrey Zadow 537 Skunk Hollow Rd to build an outside storage building. Larry reported there was a zoning permit request for Sunrise Energy Ventures for installation of a commercial solar energy collection system to be placed above the Zenke area. Larry advised after looking into it the parcel is part of a bluff land protected area and therefore it's ineligible for construction, so the permit was denied and they've received their check back for the public hearing fee. They've indicated they may have an alternate site that they are looking at. Larry provided copies of the fees schedules for the City and the County so they can be compared to the Townships fees. Following discussion, the feeling of the board was to make no changes to the Township fee schedule. Larry will have the fees published in the paper. Bob C. reported the Planning Commission met May 1<sup>st</sup> and

discussion was held on the necessity for a road deposit for all building permits. Following discussion by the town board; **Bob Schuldt made a motion to let Larry use his discretion and follow the ordinance, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.**

9. Clerk Report: Karen reported the township received the annual sign inventory report from the county and there are a few issues with trees blocking the sign or have paintball marks on them.

10. Other or Old Business: A. Discussion on purchasing the plow truck. The feeling of the board was to move forward with the purchase of the plow truck. B. Discussion was held on joining the NJPA. The feeling of the board was to sign up for it.

11. Supervisors Report: Dan reported an issue with Jeff Engstler having put dirt and debris in the road ditch right away in an attempt to stop water from running down the ditch. Bob S. reported that he went and look at it also and it was an obstruction. Bob S. called the Sheriff's office for their assistance in having Jeff remove the obstructions to which he did. Bob S. reported the kiddy space shuttle wing is broken at Wieser Park and we will need to look at either repairing it or replacing it with something else. The mower is going to be put back on the tractor so the ditches can get mowed. Bob C. reported that Steve Scheibel is on the schedule to put the A/C up in the wall. Bob C also reported at the training he attended they advised that board members should not be using personal emails for conducting Township business. Larry H. will look at setting up township emails for the board. Bill and Tom no report this month.

12. Bills for Audit: **Bob Schuldt made a motion to accept the bills as presented, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried**

13. Adjournment: **Bob Schuldt made a motion to adjourn at approximately 8:10 pm, Tom Tornstrom seconded, motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Schuldt, La Crescent Township Clerk