

CASTLE ROCK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING
October 8, 2013 @ 7:00 P.M.

Approved

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Castle Rock Township was convened at the Castle Rock Town Hall on Tuesday, October 8, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Drea Doffing, Chair; Russ Zellmer, Vice-Chair; Mike Rademacher, Dave Nicolai and Sandy Weber, Supervisors; Colette Mumm, Treasurer; and Judy Solinger. Also present were Terry Pearson, Mark Pearson, Diane Randall, Monique Berg, Jenell Gagne, Dennis Betz, Jim Kasel, Leslie Kasel, Russ Fifarek, Susan Mitchell, and Mark Henry. As a matter of record, resident Janelle Gagne videotaped this meeting from the Opening until after Public Comments were done.

Drea Doffing called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited

APPROVE AGENDA

Russ Zellmer requested Nike Base update be added to Unfinished Business. Drea Doffing requested that Terry Pearson be added to Public Comment.

Sandy Weber made a motion and Russ Zellmer seconded to accept the amended agenda. Motion carried 5 ayes.

Dakota County Deputy Mike Vikesland was present to see if there were any new concerns in the Township. Discussion was held regarding GRE and CapX . The installation will be starting this month. Routes are posted. Residents should inform the Dakota County Sherriff Dept if issues, such as road obstruction with equipment for example, are taking place and the Sherriff's Dept will respond to investigate.

Berring Ave resident Susan Mitchell inquired about activity on the Empey property and how to address issues with noise and burning. Officer Vikesland recommended residents call when an incident is taking place, and a deputy would be dispatched. If a resident asks for a call back or to have the deputy report what has been done to address the issue, the Sherriff's Dept will do that. Discussion was held regarding any criminal investigation and Chair Drea Doffing referred back to the minutes of the BOS September 10 meeting, ie:

"... in cases of ongoing investigations, information is not made available to the general public. Citizens can call the Sheriff's Office to inquire if they have questions, and if there is any information available that is not confidential, the Sheriff's Office will share that. The Sheriff's Office does not share investigation status so they can conduct investigations without interference."

CONSENT AGENDA

September 10, 2013 Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes

Sandy Weber made a motion and Russ Zellmer seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 5 ayes.

PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATE

No update at this time per Planning Commission Chair Monique Berg.

REVIEW/APPROVE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Berring Avenue resident Terry Pearson read a statement regarding ongoing activity at 22558 Biscayne Avenue, expressing concern and describing activity that is taking place that is not permitted nor zoned for by the Township. She expressed the opinion that Township ordinances are unevenly enforced, stating the non-permitted activity has been taking place for four years. The Board was provided with pictures of activity on the property.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Countryside Park updates – Shelter and Backstop - The picnic shelter is up. “Thank you” to the many volunteers who helped in the construction. The structure still needs to be shingled. Regarding timeline for completion: if the weather holds it should be done this fall. Drea Doffing will check with Troop 116 to confirm they will be completing the project if delayed until spring due to the weather.

Back-stop for the ball diamond has been installed by Midwest Fence.

Nike Base Update - Russ Zellmer stated that the clean-up is ongoing at the Nike Base, Alverno Ave. He reported that Dakota County may step in if necessary to ensure compliance as work has taken some time to complete.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ROAD REPORT

CapX2020 Updates - Meeting was held with GRE regarding Township concerns. Mark Henry described the meeting as cordial.

Route signs are up, road is graveled and dust proofing will be done on October 9. There are still concerns about pole placement, ROW, and wetland impact – for example Pole 18 is being installed near wetlands with little to no erosion control. The PCA, DNR, and Soil and Water District will be looking into this issue.

Wild Parsnip Spraying – discussion held regarding spraying. Wild Parsnip is a vigorous weed, and sprays that will kill it will also kill any beneficial broadleaf plants where the spray is applied. There is still time to spray this fall if it is deemed benefits outweigh negatives. Mark Henry will check with the County for their recommendation.

Alverno black top repair – Repairs have been done that should provide 4-5 years service before it will need to be addressed again.

Castle Rock Village Overlay – Overlay has been completed and turned out well per Mark Henry.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Receipts \$ 52,329.61
Cash Control \$ 8,584.27
Current Investments \$ 835,652.25

Dave Nicolai made a motion and Sandy Weber seconded to approve Treasurer’s Report. Motion carried 5 ayes.

PAYROLL AND CLAIMS

Payroll: \$ 4,846.81 Claim #7795-7807
Claims: \$ 60,364.82 Claim #7808-7835
Total: \$ 65,211.63

Russ Zellmer made a motion and Mike Rademacher seconded to approve Payroll and Claims. Motion carried 5 ayes.

CLERKS REPORT

In Clerk’s absence, the following report was read by Judy Solinger:

- Getting estimates for the broken window – Dave Mumm’s insurance is handling.
- Once window is replaced, both colors of paint on the door and trim will be re-painted.
- Please let the Clerk know if you notice any updates that should be included on the Township website.

** Drea Doffing suggested that the CapX information be added to the Township Website: Route, permitted hours for activity, steps to be taken if road or driveway obstruction occurs, as well as any other information deemed pertinent.

ADJOURN

Mike Rademacher made a motion and Sandy Weber seconded to adjourn. Motion carried 5 ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Judy Solinger

Attest:
Barbara Lang, Clerk

Drea Doffing, Chair of Board of Supervisors