

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

June 10, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the Grass Lake Charter Township Board was called to order on Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall by Clerk Zenz.

Board Members Present by Roll Call: Hart, Loveland, Zenz, Lesinski and Brennan. Absent: Adams and Stormont. Also present: Fire Chief Jones, Assessor DeBoe, and 7 public.

At this time Zenz made a motion to select Tom Loveland to act as president pro tem in the absence of Supervisor Stormont to conduct the rest of the agenda items for the June 10, 2014 regular Township Board Meeting.

Pledge to Flag recited.

Agenda Additions/Approval: Lesinski moved to approve the agenda as presented. Supported by Zenz. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Ron Sutherby passed out a poster about an event in Leoni Township on June 21, 2014. Mark Carpenter candidate for County Commissioner District 2 introduced himself.

Minutes: Hart moved to approve the May 13, 2014 Regular Board Meeting minutes, May 27, 2014 work session, May 20 & June 3, 2014 special meeting minutes. Supported by Brennan. Motion carried.

Presentation of Bills: Lesinski made motion to pay General Fund Bills in the amount of \$43,899.92 and Fire Fund Bills in the amount of \$7,558.04. Supported by Hart. Roll Call: Yeas – Hart, Loveland, Zenz, Lesinski and Brennan. Absent: Adams and Stormont.

Treasurer's Report: Transfer of \$75,000.00 from Allocated Fire Operating to Fire Vehicle & Equipment was completed in May – per 2014 budget. Hart made motion to accept and file the report as presented. Supported by Lesinski. Motion carried.

Assessor Report: accepted as presented.

Zoning Ordinance Report: filed report provided by Lammers.

Planning Commission Report: Lesinski reported that the June meeting has been moved to June 19, 2014.

Whistlestop Park Report: Hart reported that the new sign identifying the property has been ordered.

Recreation Board Report: No report was available. It was brought to attention that new sponsor signs have been placed on the fences at the Sports-n-Trails. In past this was run thru the Township Office and should have been again this time. Hopefully details will be provided to the Township Board.

Correspondence: Copy of Spring Arbor Township Road Repair Policy.

Old Business: a) – Amendment to Sewer Ordinance Rates – Attorney White has responded to our request of establishing an indirect connection fee to current users that are expanding their system. A letter will have to be sent to the Village of Grass Lake and they have 45 days to respond, we will then proceed with the adoption of the Amendment if all board members are comfortable with his response.

b) – Mt. Hope Road Township Property sale – title work has been prepared and signed by Supervisor Stormont. Mr. Lekander is working with Timms Lake Association and Karvol Development on getting the

deed restriction removed stating what the property can be used for. **c)** – Compensation for Construction cost estimates & bid preparation – tabled until our June 24, 2014 work session. **d)** – Huhman property – Mr. & Mrs. Huhman and their Attorney were present, they want to abide by the Township Ordinance and will work with us to get the property up to code. They have been working on cleaning the property up since they received the letter sent by the Township on May 21, 2014. Contact will be made on June 23, 2014 with Mr. Huhman to set up an appointment to visit the property. Any board member can go on the visit. Building Official Joe Smith will also be asked to go on the visit.

New Business: a) – Introduction of parcels for re-zoning – Under the recommendation of the Grass Lake Charter Township Planning Commission and the Jackson County Planning Commission Zenz made a motion for Grass Lake Charter Township to introduce the re-zoning of 2 (two) parcels on Knight Road from Light Industrial to Single Family Residential. Parcels involved are 9875 Knight Road, parcel #000-10-19-200-004-01 (24 acres) and 9871 Knight Road, parcel #000-10-19-200-001-00 (2.44 acres), supported by Hart. Motion carried. **b)** – Bid from R-N-D – fields 3 & 4 at Sports and Trails Park – Hart made motion to accept the proposal from R-N-D Dirtworks for \$ 800.00 for additional grading and placement of crushed Asphalt and compact. Supported by Brennan. Motion carried **c)** – Dave Adams resignation – Letter of resignation was received from Dave Adams for his seat as Trustee on the Township Board, moved by Brennan to accept, supported by Hart. Roll Call vote – Yeas, Hart, Loveland, Zenz, Lesinski and Brennan. Absent – Adams and Stormont. Motion passed. We will discuss at work session how the Board will fill the vacant position. **d)** - Grass Lake Regional Chamber of Commerce Partnership Committee Task Force is working with Extended Learning Opportunities, LLC and Tovah Sheldon who is an ELO Consultant to work towards a vibrant community now and into the future. The fee associated with this is \$4500.00, balance remaining of the cost is \$1125.00. Lesinski made motion to amend the General Fund budget and move \$1125.00 from 101-000.000-390.000 Fund Balance and transfer to 101-101.000-880.000 Chamber of Commerce. Supported by Brennan. Roll Call Vote – Yeas – Hart, Loveland, Zenz, Lesinski and Brennan. Absent – Adams and Stormont. Motion carried. Motion by Lesinski to pay \$1125.00 out of 101-101.000-880.000 to Grass Lake Regional Chamber of Commerce to partnership with other committee members for the Extended Learning Opportunities. Seconded by Brennan. Motion carried. Lesinski made a motion to contribute \$ 217.00 from 101-101.000-880.000 to the Grass Lake Traffic Jam’In, seconded by Brennan. Motion carried.

Fire Department Report: accepted printed report as prepared by Chief Jones.

Old Business: a) – Fire Building Mileage Debt Reduction – this will be discussed in more detail at Work Session and have Chief Jones in attendance. **b)** – Move forward to repair Fire Station – North and West walls – Loveland made motion to forego bid process and have Chris Payne Construction do a complete cost estimate for Fire Barn Roof Extension. Supported by Hart. Motion carried. Zenz will contact Sherwood Masonry to check on time frame for completing the job. **c)** – Fire Truck Bids – Quotes received from Seymour Ford for 2015 F-350 Chassis - \$ 34,368.00 and Grass Lake Chevrolet - 2015 3500 Silverado - \$ 30,240.00. Spencer Manufacturing, Inc. for Grass Fire Rig Apparatus - \$54,912.00 and First Attack Fire Equipment for Grass Fire Rig Apparatus – 66,305.00. Motion by Hart to accept Grass Lake Chevrolet quote for the chassis and Spencer Manufacturing, Inc quote for fire apparatus for a total cost of \$ 85,152.00. Seconded by Brennan. Roll Call Vote – Yeas – Hart, Loveland, Zenz, Lesinski and Brennan. Absent – Adams and Stormont.

New Business: none

Chief Building Official Report: accepted as printed.

Hearing Officer Report: none

Police Power Ordinance Enforcement Report: none

Public Comment: Mark Carpenter Head of Leoni Sewer and Water Board would possibly like to see Leoni/Blackman and Grass Lake Fire Departments do a disaster training together at the Wastewater plant. Ron Sutherby and Dale Moretz candidates for Representative for 65th District were present and introduced themselves.

Adjournment: Motion by Lesinski to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 pm, seconded by Hart. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Catherine Zenz, Township Clerk