

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

August 11, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Grass Lake Charter Township Board was called to order on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall by Supervisor Stormont.

Board Members Present by Roll Call: Hart, Loveland, Stormont, Lesinski and Brennan. Absent Zenz and Bray

Also Present: Deputy Clerk Harris, Assessor DeBoe and 2 public.

Pledge to Flag recited.

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

Public Comment: State Representative Brett Roberts stated that the state budget has been completed and they are still trying to find a solution to the road situation. They are also trying to get a bill passed for easier removal of tree stumps.

Minutes: Hart made a motion to approve the July 14, 2015 Regular Board Meeting, July 28, 2015 Work Session and July 28, 2015 Special Meeting minutes. Supported by Brennan. Motion carried.

Presentation of Bills: Lesinski made motion to pay General Fund Bills in the amount of \$54,925.35 and Fire Fund Bills in the amount of \$ 14,024.46. Supported by Brennan. Roll Call: Yeas – Hart, Loveland, Stormont, Lesinski and Brennan. Absent Zenz and Bray.

Treasurer's Report: Hart made motion to accept and file Treasurer's Report presented by Loveland. Supported by Brennan. Motion carried.

Assessor Report: no report, discussion on an article regarding big box stores being refunded property taxes. The state is working on a personal property tax statement form.

Zoning Administrator Report: none.

Planning Commission Report: all information was shared at the work session on July 28, 2015.

Chief Building Official Report: accepted and file as printed.

Police Power Ordinance Enforcement Report: none.

Whistlestop Park Report: Hart was unable to attend the last meeting.

Recreation Board Report: Grass Lake Summer Youth League budget report. Garage and security camera poles were put up at the soccer fields.

Correspondence: none

Old Business: **a)** – Weed Resolution – add two & omit one – two parcels need to be added to the special assessment roll and one parcel needs to be removed. Supervisor Stormont signed certificate of confirmation. **b)** – 5 year Recreation Plan - update – the plan will be completed in the next couple of weeks. **c)** – Ordinance Violations Bureau – update – per Bob Smith's recommendation a draft for Police Power Ordinance and Zoning Ordinance Enforcement policy and procedures was proposed. **d)** – PTA funds – resolution for approval – a resolution was proposed for the Assessor to be able to issue an invoice to the buyer if a PTA is not filed within the allotted time and non-payment of this penalty shall

initiate a lien of the property on the property tax bill by the Grass Lake Charter Township. **e)** – Police – Village/Township – update – still pursuing the issue. Bray is collecting more information. **f)** – American Tooling Center – update on parking lot – Stormont met with American Tooling Center to give them the minutes from the Board Meeting July 14, 2015 allowing them three options. Waiting to hear what action they will take. **g)** – Sewer Ordinance - update – Stormont, Loveland and representative from Leoni meeting with financial advisors to come up with a solution for who will pay for grinders when they go bad. Two of the lift stations are bad and it will cost approximately \$300,000 to fix both. Bond will be paid off in 2020, but potentially could continue collecting. **h)** – Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments – approval – Lesinski made a motion to approve the recommendation from the Planning Commission to update zoning ordinance. Supported by Brennan. Motion carried.

New Business: **a)** – Warrant for Collection (Treasurer) – a warrant was presented for collection for the two parcels that were added to and the one parcel that was removed from the special weed assessment roll. **b)** – Recreation Board Appointment Danny Hart – Tom Loveland resignation – Stormont accepted Loveland’s letter of resignation from the Recreation Board. Stormont made a motion to appoint Hart to the Recreation Board. Supported by ~~Lesinski~~ Lesinski. Motion carried. **c)** – Electrical Permit – update – grinder inspection – Stormont recommended that a line be added to the electrical permit application to specify grinder inspection and a note added to inform applicant that DPW needs to be called after inspection is done. Lesinski made a motion that a grinder inspection fee of \$55 be added to the electrical permit application. Supported by Loveland. Roll Call: Yeas – Hart, Loveland, Stormont, Lesinski and Brennan. Absent Zenz and Bray. **d)** – Voting Booth Purchase - information – information provided on voting booths that were ordered. The state will reimburse the township once the bill is paid. **e)** – Agreement to Participate -draft – a draft of a document to allow individuals to work for the township without being able to hold the township liable if injuries were incurred on the job was presented.

Fire Department Report: July report received.

Old Business: **a)** – The fire station floor looks good and should be completed this week.

New Business: **a)** – none.

Public Comment: none.

Adjournment: Motion by Lesinski to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm, seconded by Brennan. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Gail Harris, Township Deputy Clerk