

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

June 14, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Grass Lake Charter Township Board was called to order on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall by Supervisor Stormont.

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

Also Present: Diane DeBoe, Assessor, Officer Deland, Jackson County Sheriff Office, Fire Chief Jones and three public.

Pledge to Flag recited.

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

Public Comment: none

Minutes: Lesinski made a motion to approve the May 10, 2016 Regular Board Meeting, May 24, 2016 Work Session and Special Meeting minutes. Supported by Bray. Motion carried.

Presentation of Bills: Hart made motion to pay General Fund Bills in the amount of \$ 109,489.99 and Fire Fund Bills in the amount of \$ 24,730.45. Supported by Bray. Roll Call Vote: Yeas – all. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Bray made motion to accept and file Treasurer's Report as presented by Loveland. Supported by Zenz. Motion carried.

County Sheriff Report: Report for May was filed as presented by Officer DeLand.

Assessor Report: Much discussion on Diane's report, explaining the results of the AMAR review. County wide working on some solutions for better reporting in future. Stormont and DeBoe will respond to the state with the corrective action plan.

Zoning Administrator Report: report filed as prepared by Lammers.

Planning Commission Report: Next meeting June 16, 2016. Continued work on Master Plan. Concerns on future land map please get to Lesinski.

Chief Building Official Report: accepted and filed as printed.

Whistlestop Park Report: Hart did not attend. Music in the park and Farmers Market continues.

Recreation Board Report: Last meeting May 18 and still working on many issues. Have had two large weekend tournaments, many compliments on the park. Modern Disposal picking up garbage at no charge to the Township. Lesinski asked about the path to the concession stand needing to be smoother, response is additional funding is needed.

Correspondence: Letter from The Enterprise Group thanking the Township for our investment.

Old Business: a) – Region II invoice – We should have an answer this week on additional amount needed. A special meeting will be scheduled after the June work session to make the budget amendment so the current invoice can be paid. **b) – Cedar Knoll property** – select realtor – Bray will reach out to Ben Latocki, Production Realty and Phil Morgan, Good Earth Realty and get more detailed information from them and bring back to the June work session so a decision can be made as which one

to use so that we can move forward with listing the property. **c) – Consumers Energy bid** – estimated charge from Consumers to run underground service to the cell tower for power out to the soccer fields has been received. Zenz made motion to accept the estimated charge of \$715.00 for an underground service to a pedestal on the outside of fenced area. Supported by Lesinski. Roll Call Vote – yes all. Motion carried. Money will come from cell tower funds. **d) – Huhman draft** consent judgement document – board was giving copy to read. Pre-trial has been set for June 20, 2016. **e) – Scrap Tire Collection** – July 9, 8:30 to 4:00, Township Parking Lot, workers are needed for this. **f) – Tennis Court Repairs** – update – the court has been repaired and all users are very pleased with the work done. Letters were sent to the Grass Lake Village and Jackson County Parks & Recreation Commission asking each of them to pay 1/3 of the cost of repairs. Their cost would be \$1,287.50 each.

New Business: a) – Ordinance #04-03 Resolution – Resolution offered by Bray and supported by Hart to update the resolution with the current rate information and to add the cost of pump replacements. Roll Call Vote – yeas all. Motion carried. **b) – Township Ball Field Benches** – Motion by Bray to accept the quote price of \$218.00 each plus freight for two benches at the north ball field at the Township Park. Supported by Lesinski. Motion carried. GLSYL will pay half of the invoiced price. Money will come from cell tower funds. **c) – Sports-n-Trails Hip Shade** structure – Motion by Bray to accept proposal from BYO Recreation for a 30 x 30 x 11 shade structure to go over existing playground structure at the Sports-n-Trail Park for \$ 7,365.00. Supported by Lesinski. Motion Carried. GLSYL will pay half of the invoiced amount, they will also be erecting the structure. Money will come from cell tower funds. **d) – Mobile 311 quote (sewer lift stations)** – This would be for inventory management and field work input. Should eliminate a lot of hours for the Grass Lake Village DPW and have information readily available for the Township. Initial investment would be \$2,300.00 with an annual cost after that. Funds could possibly come from the SAW grant through Common Fund. **e) – Parking Lot Signs** – Stormont presented a sample of some signs he thought we should put up at the Township Parking Lot for meeting night and at the new parking lot west of the Township Office. This will be discussed more. **f) – Grass Lake Weed Assessment** – Stormont sent a letter to the Jackson County Parks & Recreation Commission asking for a donation of \$1,000.00 to help defray the five year cost of treating Grass Lake. **g) – Tree Grant – Arbor Day Alliance** – The Township was a recipient of a Go Green Youth Challenge Tree Planting Grant in the amount of \$2,000.00. Township resident Bob Hamel will do a \$2,000.00 match and will help in choosing native species trees to be planted. Discussion on purchasing water bags to put around trees especially ones hard to get to for watering. **h) – East Cemetery Tree Removal** – quote was received from The Rock Guys to remove 2 catalpa trees for the price of \$600.00 each. Motion by Hart to accept the quote, supported by Zenz. Roll Call vote yes all. Money from line item 101-276.000-801.012. **i) – Future Land Use Map** – any comments get to Lesinski before Planning Commission Meeting on June 16. **j) – Temporary Clerical help in Clerks Office** – Zenz requested permission for help in her office during the next two weeks while Deputy Harris on vacation if need be. Board ok with this.

Fire Department Report: May report accepted as presented by Chief Jones.

Old Business: a) –

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VFW hosted a flag burning ceremony at station, will likely be an annual event. Loveland asked Jones about the criteria of the Cagney Fund money. Request have to go to the executive board of the family to honor any request.

Public Comment: Lesinski asked if Consumers had been contacted about Lift Stations if anything could be done for a savings, Stormont has had conversation with Consumers.

Adjournment: Motion by Lesinski to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 pm, seconded by Hart. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Catherine Zenz, Township Clerk