

APPROVED WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

February 28, 2017

Board Members Present: Stormont, Brennan, Loveland, Lesinski left at 8:45am, Lester in at 8:30am, Absent Zenz & Bray

Also Present: Assessor DeBoe and Deputy Clerk Harris

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Stormont at 8:12 am.

Assessing Field Work Staff: Four applications have been accepted so far. The assessing department will start talking to applicants after Board of Review.

Target Practice Ordinance: David Platte was doing target practice and hit a house on Warrior Trail. Stormont and Lammers talked to Attorney Fahey and decided the nuisance ordinance is not strong enough to prohibit shooting in the area. Trying to decide what the next step would be to prevent this from happening again.

Fire Millage Information: The board would like to promote the fire millage renewal, so some information will be put in the Grass Lake Times newspaper.

DNR Grant Applications: The Township would like to acquire land to construct a trail between the park at Willis Rd and the Village of Grass Lake. Stormont is considering applying for a grant from the DNR, but it will be at least two years before the township would receive the money and there are many restrictions. Stormont suggested it might be better to apply for a grant to install bathrooms at the township office for the use during baseball games. Brennan said he would prefer to acquire the land. If the Cedar Knoll property is sold, the money could be used toward these improvements.

Site Plan Review Workshop: The class is full.

Cedar Knoll Property: Stormont is trying to get in contact with Ben Latocki to see if there has been any interest in the property. The property is listed at \$250,000.

Sports & Trails Sign Repair: Brennan suggested purchasing a new sign with a clear coat on it. Artvertise gave a quote of \$1000.00 for a sign and installation.

Spring Business Expo: The expo is March 18, 2017. Workers are needed to manage the township booth. Bulletin boards and information need to be updated. It was decided to do a drawing with three \$100.00 gift cards to Frank's Shop-Rite as the prizes.

Open Air Business Text Amendment: The Planning Commission Board needs to make some revisions.

Norvell Fire Service Proposal: Norvell Township sent the Grass Lake Fire Department a request for proposal for the provisions of fire and rescue services. Stormont asked if the township is interested in responding. It was suggested that Fire Chief Jones be contacted.

MTA Conference: The conference is April 10-13, 2017. An RSVP is needed today if anyone is interested in going. Loveland and Zenz are already scheduled to go.

Grass Lake Village Sewer: Waiting for updated prices before the township is able to sign a four year contract. Grinder cans have been ordered.

Road Millage: March 10, 2017 Jackson County Department of Transportation is offering a class about special assessments and bonds.

USAR Response Vehicle: Fire Chief Jones talked to the Summit Township Supervisor. Summit Township purchased the vehicle and will not be charging the township for runs.

Planning Commission Member: Todd Raihtz would like to be replaced as soon as possible, but will stay on through the year if needed.

Brennan made motion to adjourn work session at 8:57 am, supported by Lester. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Gail Harris