

APPROVED WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
Grass Lake Charter Township Board
June 26, 2018

Board Members Present by Roll Call: Stormont, Brennan, Zenz, Butterfield. **Absent:** Lester, Bray and Loveland.

Also Present: Zoning Administrator Doug Lammers, Bob Hamel-arrived at 8:10, Assessor DeBoe, Anne Lavergne, David Trent and Chief Jones arrived at 9:10.

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Stormont at 8:00 am.

Loveland arrived at 8:05 am.

Uniform Traffic Code Ordinance – Board feels not an issue to pursue, Stormont will check again with Attorney if an advantage to adopt this ordinance.

Sports-n-Trail Park issues – Howe working out very well. Trakside Baseball will begin using fields the 2nd week of July. Combo lock was changed again. Police report was filed by Stormont. Hamel has spoken to Park Director at Hamburg Township. Suggestion could be a code of conduct being initiated, Township Board take over everything and being in charge of all aspects of the park. Possibly think about creating position of a Park Director.

New Township Office – Pros vs Cons – Trent representing Grass Lake Village – council interested in conversation to relocate to Township Office, possibly an outside facilitator to head up a committee with Township Board appointees/Village Council appointees/Community members at large. Trent may have a connection for this person. Loveland feels a separate meeting just with Township Board members needs to happen to make the decision to move forward or not. Brennan not for it. Lavergne stated the Senior Center needs to be part of the Township or Village because of limited revenue so some costs could possibly be shared. The Center is experiencing a lot of growth. She is working on getting the Center to establish their independence. Feels a formal vote needs to come from the Township is regards to a 501 3c or also piggy backing on the Townships insurance.

Recycle Cost – Granger not interested. Washtenaw Recycling would be an assessment to properties, average \$20.00 a month. Extra cost \$50.00 to \$1000.00 per month doesn't warrant keeping the program going. A last date should be chosen and do a phase out gradual.

Broadband Invoice – Zenz will include the invoice with the July bills and make separate vote on this. This cost was for printing of survey copies put in the paper.

Zoning Board May Meeting – A member questioned the pay for this meeting since there was three appeals. Changes will be made to reflect a member will be paid per diem/per application and if the meeting is tabled only receive pay for one meeting. Need to be put into the by-laws of Zoning Board of Appeals.

Lap Top Computers – Zenz asked if Board would allow her to move forward with being a part of a group buying throughout the County for new computers for the Elections. They would be purchased through IT Right and would cost around \$530.00 each, one for each precinct. No issue with moving forward.

Fire Donation – Chief Jones was presented with a donation to the Fire Department and was told that they wanted it to go towards something for the firemen. It will go towards the Fire Appreciation Dinner. 4 Firepersons will be taking their National Registry Test in the next week. Truck Chassis should be done sometime in late August/September. He is working on a grant with Napoleon Township for a base radio and one portable radio. Our cost would possibly be around \$2500.00 to \$4500.00.

Assessor Comments – DeBoe reported that the Calderone Golf Course appeal has been dropped. Lordache Property – Summer soccer group and Omni Source are cleaning up vacant property minus the tires. DeBoe also stated that Grass Lake Charter Township along with one other Township in the County are the only ones not charging a 1% Administration Fee, DeBoe will look more into this.

Motion by Brennan and supported by Butterfield to adjourn at 10:00 am. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Catherine N Zenz, Township Clerk