

APPROVED WORK SESSION MINUTES

March 26, 2014

The Grass Lake Charter Township Board met on Wednesday, March 26, 2014 for their monthly work session. Meeting called to order at 8:45 am. Board members present: Stormont, Loveland, Lesinski, Zenz and Hart. Absent: Adams and Brennan. Also present: Assessor DeBoe, Zoning Administrator Lammers.

Zenz stated that the Building Plan Review on the application form and fee schedule needed to be revised to coincide with the agreement with Summit Township – Joe Smith. Also zoning set back needs to be added to sheds under 200 square feet, see 11.0 Building Permits on the fee schedule.

Zoning Administrator Lammers stated that the Township needs to make a motion requesting the Planning Commission to rezone the 2 parcels on corner of Willis and Knight Road. A preliminary site plan from Tenneco will be presented to the Planning Commission at their meeting on March 27, 2014. This will be a 2 story addition with enlargements to the parking lot. Lammers also noted that a Sand Mining Operation is taking place on the property. American Tooling's final site plan was approved at the February 2014 meeting and they are getting very close to pulling the building permit and start the construction.

Workman Compensation Audit – Zenz stated that Jackson Maintenance Solutions LLC did not have workman's compensation insurance for the 2013 mowing season. The Township will invoice them for the additional premium cost to the Township as that was part of the bid for them to have that insurance. A letter will be sent to them stating that a current certificate must be received by April 1, 2014 or they do not start the work.

Mr. Lekander owner of Mugg and Bops has contacted Stormont in regards to our property north of them, inquiring if interested in selling the lot. Future discussion will be had.

Ed Eisner has most of the junk cleaned up from the Mortimer property.

Stormont has been contacted by Bruce Maxson in regards to Mrs. Garrett's property on Lakeside Drive coming up for sale and wondered if the Township would be interested in purchasing.

The pole barn door at the Township needs to have about 1 to 2 inches taken off of the bottom so it will work better. The lumber in the Mortimer pole barn may be usable to build a slide by door.

Assessor DeBoe stated the Board of Review had 31 appeals (59 petitions), 6 Veterans tax exempt obligations that have to file annually and 1 poverty exemption. She is preparing the roll to get to the County. All tax values are within the 50% ratio.

Much discussion on the connection fee(s) on upgraded sewer systems. Several ideas were discussed and it was decided on getting legal opinion from Attorney Fahey before a decision was made.

Zenz presented a spreadsheet of invoices from Lester Brothers for costs related to the frozen sewer lines.

The Townships audit was finished last week and Zenz has received the papers back from the Auditors to sign and send into the State. Everything went well, Stormont presented a spreadsheet of the updated Budget Summary with 2013 figures.

Lesinski moved to adjourn meeting at 11:30 am, seconded by Hart. Motion carried.

James Stormont, Supervisor
Catherine Zenz, Clerk