

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
Regular Monthly Meeting
Grass Lake Charter Township Board
January 14, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Grass Lake Charter Township Board was called to order on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Township Hall by Supervisor Stormont.

Board Members Present by Roll Call: Bray, Bednarski-Lynch, Loveland, Zenz, Stormont and Butterfield. Absent: Brennan.

Also Present: 15 public.

Pledge to Flag was recited.

Agenda Additions/Approval: Bednarski-Lynch made motion to approve agenda as printed. Supported by Loveland. Motion carried.

Public Comment: – Carl Wells in regards to roads and proposed mining ordinance.

Minutes: Bray made motion to approve the December 10, 2019 Regular Board Meeting/Budget Public Hearing Minutes, December 12, 2019 Special Meeting and Closed Session Minutes. Supported by Butterfield. Motion Carried.

Presentation of Bills: Butterfield made motion to pay General Fund Bills in the amount of \$53,573.57 and Fire Fund Bills in the amount of \$10,728.57. Supported by Bray. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Butterfield, Bray, Bednarski-Lynch, Loveland, Zenz and Stormont. Absent: Brennan. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Bray to accept and file Treasurer's report as prepared. Supported by Butterfield. Motion Carried.

County Sheriff Report: no report.

Assessor Report: Accepted and filed as prepared by Assessor DeBoe.

Zoning Administrator Report: Accepted and file as prepared by Administrator Lammers.

Zoning Enforcement Officer Report: Accepted and file as prepared by Sturgill.

Planning Commission Report: Year end report from Jere Hinkle, Planning Commission Chairman.

Chief Building Official Report: Accepted and filed as printed.

Whistlestop Park Report: Minutes from the December 3, 2019 were provided.

Recreation Board Report: Howe reported a tree stump has been ground at the park. He will be meeting with Bray, Bednarski-Lynch and Butterfield to go over the Field Usage Agreements. February 19, 2020 he will be meeting with all the teams to get the usage agreements signed.

Correspondence: Stormont provided information on the proposal to host National Hydroplane races in 2021. The tire collection date has been set for May 30, 2020 in the west parking lot.

Old Business: **a)** Grass Lake Road Millage Improvement Cost - update – Jackson County Department of Transportation is working on a cost estimate for resurfacing all roads in the Township to bring them up to an acceptable standard. **b) – Village Contracts – pending meeting of committee** – Trent, DeBoe and Lammers will be meeting with Loveland and Brennan, they have some numbers put together for the routine and non-routine services. **c) - Mt Hope Road – Township property sale – update** – Site Plan should be turned in within the month for the Planning Commission and then if all looks good, the balance of the money will be paid to the Township. **d) – LRUA Reorganization – update** – All members signed to move forward, so the committee is working on an organizational plan for the facility which will have to be approved by all members.

New Business: **a) – Headlee Rollback Fire Millage 1.2176 to 1.5000** – the board has been talking about this, continued discussion on this subject and possibly for the General Fund also. A plan needs to be drawn up to show the real need for the rollback. **b) – Municipal Civil Infractions Ordinance/Municipal Ordinance Violation Bureau** – This will be discussed more at the January work session. Stormont wants the board to look at another option to enforce violations. A more cost effective way for the Township. **c) – Resolution for Charitable Gaming - Renegades** – Motion by Bray to offer the Charitable Gaming License resolution for the Renegades. Supported by Butterfield. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Bray, Butterfield, Bednarski-Lynch, Loveland, Zenz and Stormont. Absent: Brennan. Motion Carried. Copy of their 501(3)(c) is on file at the office. **d) – Appoint new Planning Commission Member** – Loveland made motion to accept the resignation letter of Todd Keszler from the Planning Commission effective December 17, 2019. Supported by Bednarski-Lynch. Motion Carried. Motion by Stormont to appoint Mark Jewell to the Planning Commission. Supported by Bray. Motion Carried. **e) – MTA Conference Registration** – let Zenz know by March 30 to get early bird registration. **f) – 2020 Grass Lake Chili Cook-Off Sponsor** – Motion by Bray to sponsor the cook-off with \$1,000.00. Supported by Zenz. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Bray, Zenz, Bednarski-Lynch, Loveland, Stormont and Butterfield. Absent: Brennan. Motion Carried.

Fire Department Report: December report accepted and filed.

Old Business: none

New Business: **a) – New Fire Cadet** – Motion by Bray to accept the application of Owen Goebel to the Fire Cadet program. Supported by Bednarski-Lynch. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: Jane Fitzgerald – questions and comments about the weed assessment.

Bednarski-Lynch – good things happening at the school with the Girls and Boys Basketball program.

Adjournment: Motion by Bray to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm, supported by Butterfield.
Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Catherine Zenz, Township Clerk