

APPROVED – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Regular meeting of the Grass Lake Charter Township Board was called to order on Tuesday, November 10, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Hall. Board members Bray, Lesinski, Adams, Jr., Hart, Loveland, Clark, Stormont present. Also present: Fire Chief Greg Jones, Jackson Citizen Patriot Reporter-Shannon Maynard, Hearing Officer-Garry Gitcho, Assessor DeBoe and 3 citizens. Pledge to Flag recited.

Agenda: Moved by Lesinski to approve the agenda as presented, supported by Bray. Motion Carried by voice vote.

Minutes: Moved by Lesinski to approve the October 13th regular meeting, October 27th work session, public hearing and special meeting, supported by Bray. Motion carried by voice vote.

Budget Amendments: Moved by Clark to transfer from the General Fund, Fund Balance \$ 2800.00 to Department 444, activity # 101-444-000-926-000 Street Lighting, supported by Loveland. Motion carried by voice vote.

Monthly Bills: Moved by Bray to pay the General Fund bills in the amount of \$31,913.89, from the Allocated Fire Fund \$ 19,933.21 and from the Grass Lake Community Sports and Trails-Park in the amount of \$ 1,180.28, supported by Lesinski. Roll Call: Yeas; Bray, Lesinski, Adams, Jr., Hart, Loveland, Clark, Stormont.

Treasurers Report: Nothing new at this time. Note that a new line has been added under the Allocated Fire Fund designating the Cagney Fund. Moved by Clark to receive and file the Treasurers report as presented.

Assessor Report: The RFP's have been sent out to 8 different reappraisal firms and at this time, 4 have declined. Due to some concerns with the RFP, the RFP was revised and e-mailed back to the reappraisal firms. The quotes are to be back to the office on November 16th and will be opened at the November 17th work session.

Old Business: (a) LDFA Update – Supervisor has contacted all of the members of the LDFA for an organizational meeting to be held on December 16th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall. (b) Hearing Officer Update – Gitcho is presently working on a complaint on Kalmbach Road. A letter is being prepared to send to the homeowner. (c) DDA Update – The Planning Commission will be meeting on Thursday, November 12th at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall for an organizational meeting to appoint a chairperson and secretary. (d) Cagney Fund – Supervisor had sent a letter of thanks to Greg Cagney regarding the generous donation that his parents had given in their estate to the Grass Lake Charter Township Fire Department. The funds are to be used for something that the Township would not purchase and mainly to be used for training and special training on the equipment. Discussion was held in regard to how it can be set up so that the donation would continue on in designation for several years. Everyone to check out for more options. (e) Whistlestop Update – The floors in the depot all need to be resanded and

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refinished, however they have not been able to contact Mr. Grimes. Nothing happening until after the first of the year as far as the Chamber of Commerce lease.

New Business: Resolution to revoke Monarch Press, Inc. IFT – Lesinski offered the Resolution No. 09-04 to “Revoke Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate No. 2003-352 for the Monarch Press, Inc. in the Name of Grass Lake Charter Township, supported by Hart. Roll Call: Yeas; Lesinski, Hart, Adams, Jr., Loveland, Bray, Clark, Stormont.

Fire Department Report: Chief Jones stated that we had 14 residential rescues, 2 vehicle PI incidents, 2 smoke investigations, 2 arching wires, 1 electrical fire, 1 chimney fire, 3 automatic aid given to Columbia Township for the month of October. He also gave special Thanks to the Cagney family for the generous donation. They presently have a pre-school to go to in regard to Fire Prevention week.

Police Power Ordinance Enforcement Report: Officer Sturgill states that the James Henderson property on Sager Road has taken care of the junk cars. He has issued a citation regarding barking dogs on Fishville Road which is now in circuit court 12 and this starts the penalty period. He is also working on other complaints.

Public Comment: Assessor DeBoe states that even though the office is closed for Veterans Day, she is going to work and asks that her assistant Chandra Dennis also work so that she can receive more hours due to the fact that she does not get Holiday pay. After discussion, Adams, Jr. moved that she be allowed to work at regular pay on Veterans Day, supported by Lesinski. Hand Vote – 4 Yeas and 3 Nays.

Adjournment: Moved by Lesinski to adjourn, supported by Loveland. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

James Stormont, Supervisor
Marjorie A. Clark, Clerk