

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
Special Meeting
GRASS LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
December 12, 2019

A Special Meeting of the Grass Lake Charter Township Board was called to order on December 12, 2019 at 8:05 am by Supervisor Stormont at the Grass Lake Charter Township Meeting Room.

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

Approximately 25 public were also in attendance.

Purpose of Meeting was to review the settlement agreement negotiated between Friends of Grass Lake Township, L & L Development, Ltd and Grass Lake Charter Township regarding the proposed gravel extraction site along Norvell Road.

Stormont made motion at 8:07 am that the Township Board enter closed session under Section 8 of the Open Meetings Act, specifically MCL 15.268(e) and (h), to consult with its attorney regarding settlement strategy in connection with the pending litigation in Friends of Grass Lake Township v Grass Lake Charter Township, which open discussion would have a detrimental financial effect on the settlement position of the Township, and to consider a written legal opinion from our attorney on the same subject. Supported by Butterfield. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Stormont, Butterfield, Bray, Bednarski-Lynch, Loveland, Zenz and Brennan. Nays – None. Motion passed.

Board moved to closed session.

Special Meeting session was re-opened at 8:49 am.

Motion by Stormont that the Township Board consent to and enter the Settlement Agreement and Release and Stipulated Order in Friends of Grass Lake Township v Grass Lake Charter Township and L & L Development, LTD. being Jackson Circuit Court 17-3036-AA and Court of Appeals numbers 348577 and 348618 on the recommendation of the Township Attorney and having determined the Settlement Agreement and Stipulated Order further the interests of the Township. The Township Attorney is authorized to secure signatures, enter the same with the Court, and take other action necessary and proper to enter the Agreement and Order. Supported by Butterfield. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Stormont, Butterfield, Bray, Bednarski-Lynch, Loveland, Zenz and Brennan. Nays – None. Motion passed.

Public Comment – Richard Murphy thank the board for the decision.

Motion by Bray to adjourn special meeting at 8:54 am, supported by Bednarski-Lynch. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Catherine Zenz, Township Clerk