

GRASS LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
BUDGET HEARING - approved

The Grass Lake Charter Township Board held their Budget Hearing on December 13, 2011 at the Township Hall, at 6:35 p.m. Board members Hart, Loveland, Clark, Stormont, Lesinski present. Absent: Adams, Jr. and Bray. Also present was County Commissioner David Lutchka.

Supervisor Stormont asked if the board members had any questions regarding the budget. He then went over each department, answering any questions. There were no increases in wages.

Motion by Clark to adjourn the Budget Hearing, supported by Lesinski. Hearing adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

James Stormont, Supervisor  
Marjorie A. Clark, Clerk

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 13, 2011

**Regular** meeting of the Grass Lake Charter Township Board was called to order on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Hall. Board Members Adams, Jr., Hart, Loveland, Clark, Stormont, Lesinski present. Absent: Bray. Also present, County Commissioner David Lutchka, Assessor DeBoe, County Sheriff Steven Rand, Hearing Officer Gitcho, Fire Chief Greg Jones. Pledge to flag recited.

**Agenda:** Motion by Lesinski to approve the agenda as presented, supported by Loveland. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Public Comment:** County Sheriff Steven Rand stated that he was attending all Township meetings to introduce himself to the board members. He ask that if there is anything that his department can do for us to please give them a call. County Commissioner David Lutchka then commented on what is happening in the County. The Jackson County fair will be held August 5<sup>th</sup> thru the 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012. They have made appointments to several County Boards. Sometime in the summer of 2012 at the Jackson Airport there will be a model of the Walker Airplane used by the Germans in World War II. The County has adopted the Hazard Medication Plan and also passed the Solid Education Foundation Resolution.

**Minutes:** Motion by Loveland to approve the minutes of the regular November 8<sup>th</sup> meeting as printed, supported by Hart. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Monthly Bills:** Motion by Hart to pay the General Fund bills in the amount of \$ 55,130.10 and the Allocated Fire Fund in the amount of \$ 23,162.26, supported by Clark. Roll Call: Yeas; Hart, Clark, Adams,Jr., Loveland, Lesinski, Stormont. Absent: Bray

**Budget Amendment:** Motion by Clark to transfer from the General Fund, Fund Balance #101-000.000-390.000 \$ 355.00 to 101-247.000-702.000 Board of Review Salary and Wages \$ 300.00 and transfer \$ 55.00 to 101-247.000-862.000 Social Security Matching, supported by Loveland. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Treasurers Report:** Motion by Clark to accept and file the Treasurers report as presented, supported by Lesinski. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Hearing Officer Report:** Gitcho presented a Demolition Checklist for Contractors that he would like to have us check over and make a new copy that would fit for Grass Lake Charter Township.

**Assessor Report:** DeBoe's written report was discussed and accepted as printed.

**Planning Commission Report:** Lesinski stated there was no report, but their first meeting for 2012 will be held on Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.

**Old Business:** (a) Whistlestop Park – Hart stated they met and discussed the Christmas Tree Lighting and the arrival of Santa Claus. (b) Soccer Usage Agreement – table to the January meeting due to changes not yet made. (c) Cedar Knoll Property – still in bankruptcy, nothing that we can do at the present time. Gitcho is checking into the cost of demolition of the property at 3476 Pleasant Drive.

**New Business:** (a) Resolution-Educational Foundation: Motion by Stormont that Grass Lake Charter Township approve the resolution as written, supported by Lesinski. Motion carried by voice vote. (b) New signs for recycling area: Clerk is checking with Modern Waste Systems for the proper wording for the signs. (c) Resolution-Board of Review Poverty Guidelines: Moved by Clark to approve the Property Guidelines resolution as written, supported by Adams, Jr. Motion approved by voice vote. (d) Resolution-Authorization for residents to protest in writing to the Board of Review: Motion by Clark to approve the resolution as written, supported by Loveland. Motion carried by voice vote. (e) 2012 Summer Tax Collection Agreements for Napoleon Community Schools and Grass Lake Community Schools: Motion by Loveland to approve the school agreements, supported by Clark. Motion carried by voice vote. (f) Planning Commission member appointments: Stormont has recommended the appointment of Jere Hinkle and David Dorr to a 3 year term on the Planning Commission. Motion then made by Stormont to appoint Jere Hinkle and David Dorr for 3 year terms on the planning commission, supported by Lesinski. Motion carried by voice vote. (g) Alternate Member for Board of Review: Motion by Stormont to appoint Heather McDougall as an alternate member to the Board of Review, supported by Adams, Jr. Motion Carried by voice vote. (h) Adopt Budget for year 2012: Motion by Hart to adopt the 2012 budget according to each department total bottom line, supported by Lesinski. Roll Call: Yeas; Hart, Lesinski, Adams, Jr., Loveland, Clark, Stormont. Absent: Bray The total General Fund estimated Income is \$ 547,200.00 and the Estimated Expenditures are \$ 552,024.00, The Allocated Fire Fund Estimated Income is \$

263,550.00 and the Estimated Expenditures are \$ 264,068.00. Building Department Fund Estimated Income is \$ 15,895.00 and the Estimated Expenditures are \$ 19,394.00. Fire Vehicle and Equipment Fund Transfer In of \$ 75,000.00, with no Estimated Expenditure. Cagney Trust Fund Estimated Income of \$ 80.00, with no Estimated Expenditure. Sports and Trails Fund Estimated Income of \$ 15,000.00 and Estimated Expenditure of \$ 15,000.00. Cemetery Fund Estimated interest income of \$ 12.00 and the Estimated Expenditure of \$ 20.00. (i) Township monthly meeting dates, work session dates, transfer station dates and Holiday Closing dates: Moved by Adams, Jr. to approve the dates as printed, supported by Clark. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Fire Department Report:** Fire Chief Jones states that we had 18 medical calls, 1 unknown accident, 1 vehicle fire, 3 arching wires (outside), 2 open burnings, 1 automatic aid given to Columbia Township and 3 automatic aid given to Napoleon Township.

**Zoning Administrator Report:** Zoning Administrator Nolte's report was accepted as printed.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Lesinski to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m., supported by Adams, Jr. Motion carried by voice vote.

James Stormont, Supervisor  
Marjorie A. Clark, Clerk