

APPROVED REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 12, 2013

Regular meeting of the Grass Lake Charter Township Board was called to order on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Hall. Board members Adams, Jr., Hart, Loveland, Clark, Stormont, Lesinski, Brennan present. Also present: Shannon Maynard, Jackson Citizen Patriot news reporter, Fire Chief Jones, County Commissioner David Lutchka and 1 citizen. Pledge to Flag recited.

Agenda Addition: add to the approval of minutes – February 7th Special.

Agenda Approval: Motion by Lesinski to approve the agenda with addition, supported by Loveland. Motion carried by voice vote.

Minutes: February 7th special meeting, February 12th regular meeting and February 26th work session minutes were presented. A correction was made on the February 7th special meeting minutes in paragraph 4, line 3, assessor was written with an extra “s”. Motion by Loveland to approve the February 7th special, February 12th regular and February 26th work session minutes, supported by Lesinski. Motion carried by voice vote.

Monthly Bills: Motion by Hart to pay the monthly bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$ 34,208.09 and the Allocated Fire Fund in the amount of \$ 10,913.54, supported by Loveland. Roll Call: Yeas; Hart, Loveland, Adams, Jr., Clark, Brennan, Lesinski, Stormont

Treasurers Report: Loveland states that the receipt report is mostly from tax collections. Motion by Lesinski to accept and file the Treasurers report, supported by Clark. Motion carried by voice vote.

Assessor Report: Stormont reported that they had 14 citizens meet with the Board of Review today and they will be meeting tomorrow from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Report: Lesinski states that they are meeting on Thursday, March 28th.

Recreation Board Report: Stormont states that they only had 3 members in attendance for their first meeting. They did not meet in February, the next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 27th at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.

Correspondence: Letter from Unison Site Management asking to buy out the Cell Tower Lease. An email from Earl Poleski assistant in regard to a meeting on Thursday March 14th at the County Commission Chambers on the subject of Gas Taxes. Officials from both the state and local level of the Michigan Department of Transportation will be represented. Letter from WOW stating that effective April 2, 2013 the RFD-TV will no longer be available on WOW cable services. Clerk has received official letter and verbage from Grass Lake Community Schools to hold a Special Election on May 7th, for “Operating Millage Renewal”.

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Old Business: (a) Whistlestop Park – Liaison Hart states they will be meeting on Monday, March 18th. The agenda states they will be discussing rentals with the Chamber of Commerce, security systems (cameras etc.), repairs needed and time frames to be addressed. (b) Timm’s Lake Assessment District – the project has been terminated. (c) Jackson County DOT-update, Al Roden is working on the project and he will get the report to us as soon as he is finished.

New Business: (a) Municipal Financial Commitment to support Enterprise Group-Discussion, In our packets is a Resolution –“Municipal Commitment of Support for Countywide Economic Development”. Board members are to look this over and it will be discussed at our March 26th work session. It is a method to supporting the Enterprise Group and is based on SEV formula.

Fire Department: Fire Chief’s report states that they had 12 residential rescues, 1 unknown incident, 1 structure fire, 3 fire alarms, 3 arching wires (outside), 1 automatic aid given and 1 mutual aid given for a total of 22 calls. **Old Business:** (a) Fire Station Service Door Bids - 2 bids were received. The McFate Group, Inc. bid was for \$ 5,800.00 and Page Hardware Supply bid was for \$ 2,150.00. Motion by Hart to award the Fire Station Service Door bid to Page Hardware Supply at a cost of \$ 2,150.00, supported by Adams, Jr. Roll Call: Yeas; Hart, Adams, Jr., Loveland, Brennan, Lesinski, Stormont. Nay; Clark. Fire Chief Jones then stated that they were having a pancake breakfast on April 5th, which is Firehouse Friday. The new locks have been ordered for the apparatus doors.

Public Comment: County Commissioner David Lutchka stated that the County received an accounting award, they are working on their 2014 budget, there was 2300 persons who attended the beerfest in which they had 140 different draft beers. Project Red will be held on March 20th in which they have 1,195 third graders that will be attending.

Adjournment: Motion by Lesinski to adjourn at 8:15 p.m., supported by Hart.

James Stormont, Supervisor
Marjorie A. Clark, Clerk