

**APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 11, 2011**

Regular meeting of the Grass Lake Charter Township Board was called to order on Tuesday, January 11, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Hall. Board Members Adams, Jr., Hart, Loveland, Clark, Stormont, Lesinski and Bray present. Also present: Fire Chief Jones, Fireperson James Howe, Assessor DeBoe, Shannon Maynard from Citizen Patriot, Wendy Wood from The Sun Times News and 1 citizen. Pledge to Flag recited.

Agenda Additions: Under Fire Department New Business (a) Application from Kristen Jones.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Lesinski to approve the agenda with additions, supported by Bray. Motion approved by voice vote.

Minutes: Motion by Hart to approve the December Regular monthly meeting, December 22 Budget Hearing and Special Meeting, supported by Lesinski. Motion approved by voice vote.

Monthly Bills: in the amount of \$ 29,414.38 from the General Fund and \$ 10,846.83 from the Allocated Fire Fund were presented. Motion by Adams, Jr. to pay the monthly bills as presented, supported by Loveland. Roll Call: Yeas; Adams, Jr., Loveland, Hart, Bray, Lesinski, Clark, Stormont.

Treasurers Report: Motion by Clark to accept and file the Treasurers report, supported by Hart. Motion carried by voice vote.

Correspondence: Supervisor had received a letter from Region II Planning in regard to a meeting to be held at the Jackson County Road Commission on January 19th, at 9:30 a.m. He noted that they stated in the letter about resurfacing Wolf Lake Road, which is scheduled for 2012. However, Norvell Road is in much worse shape than Wolf Lake Road. A letter from the Liquor Control Commission stating that Muggs and Bob had applied for a Sunday morning liquor license. The Annual Chamber of Commerce dinner/meeting is scheduled for January 29th at Dale Fisher Galleries at 6:00 p.m., cost is \$ 20.00 per person.

Old Business: (a) Window Bid for Township Office Windows-Adams Building Contractors quoted a bid of \$ 180.00 per window to caulk and insulate office windows. (b) Whistlestop Park – nothing to report, no monthly meeting was held. (c) Energy Saving Lights – Stormont has not gotten back with Mike Hirst in regard to cost of upgrading the lights. (d) Clerical Assistant for Assessor, Draft Ad – discussion regarding where to advertise, how much time for responding was held. The consensus of the board was to put it on M-Live or the Assessor's Magazine if time permits.

New Business: (a) January 13th at 7:00 p.m. the Township Board will have a joint meeting with the Planning Commission. Susan Lackey from Legacy Land Conservancy will be here discussing land preservation. (b) ISD Summer Tax Collection Agreement – Motion by Clark to enter into

the 2011 Summer Tax Collection agreement with Jackson County ISD, supported by Loveland. Motion carried by voice vote. (c) Review Policy and Procedure Manual – the manual that we adopted in 2006 needs to be reviewed and updated. Supervisor had been to a seminar on policy and procedures, received a manual that had been prepared by MTA. He has copied this for the board members and would like everyone to be prepared to start updating our present policy and procedure manual at the upcoming work session. (d) Develop Financial Plan for Lawn Care and Maintenance – Board Members be prepared for further discussion at the January 25th work session. (e) Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation for LRUA – some changes need to be removed, you will notice that the items to be removed are in red print. Everyone needs to read this and be prepared to passing the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation for LRUA at the February meeting. (f) Approval of monthly work session dates for 2011 – Motion by Loveland to approve the monthly work session dates for 2011, supported by Clark. Motion approved by voice vote.

Fire Department Report: Chief had not prepared a monthly report. **Old Business:** (a) Cagney Recognition Plaque – Chief states it is being taken care of. (b) Peterson, return of pager – Chief has talked with Deputy Sturgill. **New Business:** (a) Kristen Jones Application to Cadet program of the Fire Department – Motion by Lesinski to approve Kristen Jones application for a cadet position on the Fire Department, supported by Bray. Motion approved by voice vote.

Adjournment: Motion by Lesinski to adjourn, supported by Hart. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

James Stormont, Supervisor
Marjorie A. Clark, Clerk