

**GRASS LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
APPROVED WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
February 23, 2021**

This meeting was held by ZOOM.

**Board Members Present by Roll Call:** Lesinski, Zenz, Loveland and Brennan. Absent: Bray, Bednarski-Lynch and Butterfield. Others in attendance: Jim Howe, Diane DeBoe and Greg Jones.

**Meeting** called to order by Supervisor Lesinski at 8:03 am.

**Website Update** – The Townships website has been revamped by IT Right, although the lay out looks ok, a lot of information has been taken away. Lesinski and Howe are working with them to get things corrected.

**Board of Review Update** – This year’s board will meet virtual and in person. Change notices were sent out last week and personal property notices are going in the mail this week.

**Culvert on Maute Road** – Still not sure of the cost – but if the cost is over \$48,000.00 the Township will be responsible for 50% of the cost and if less than \$48,000.00 Jackson County Department of Transportation will cover all the costs.

**Scrap Tire Grant** – The board would like to participate again this year if the grant is awarded. Lesinski will reach out to Norvell and Napoleon Township about doing jointly and possibly have the site be at one of their Township’s.

**Appointments to Election Commission** – Zenz stated new appointments need to be done for this 4 year term. Brennan will do again, need to check with Butterfield. Official appointment will be made at the March regular board meeting.

**Update of Scott Bray** – doing better, but still in the hospital.

**Covid 19 updates** – Currently all meetings in March will be by ZOOM. Updates and changes will occur as the orders change.

**Building Permits** – Lesinski, Zenz, Deboe and Harris have been having some conversations with the Village in regards to taking over the issuing of Building Permits for Village addresses.

**Marijuana Update** – some areas being looked into and some being worked on: 1) Building Permit Applications, 2) Change of Use, 3) Police Power Ordinance, 4) Legalize in commercial zoning district. The Building and Zoning Departments and Planning Commission would be involved in the processes.

**Water Connection Increases** – Loveland and Zenz will propose a fee increase at the March regular meeting. Cost of material and payment to the Village for DPW services are prompting the rate increase.

**Emergency Medical Dispatch System** – Jones reported that dispatch for 911 services needs to be done locally. Currently not happening and a delay in dispatch to the local departments is increasing, conversations are occurring with the Jackson County Commissioners.

**Motion** by Brennan and supported by Zenz to adjourn the Work Session at 8:57 am. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Catherine N Zenz, Township Clerk