

GRASS LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
APPROVED WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
August 24, 2021

This meeting was held in person and ZOOM.

Board Members Present by Roll Call: Bray, Golding, Lesinski, Loveland, Brennan. Zenz joined meeting at 8:10 a.m. Absent: Bednarski-Lynch.

Also Present: Fire Chief Jones and Deputy Clerk Harris.

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Lesinski at 8:04 a.m.

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Adoption of Agenda – Motion by Brennan to approve agenda, supported by Loveland. Motion Carried.

Caregiver Cost – Lesinski has completed the application for the caregiver permit and would like to determine the cost of the permit. The original thought was \$500 for five years. After much discussion the board agreed on \$200 for five years.

Sewer Update...EGLE Requirements – Lesinski had a meeting with EGLE to find out what would be required of the Township to correct the issues with the sewer. EGLE has put a hold on all new projects connecting to the sewer system, this does not include individual new connections. They are trying to determine why there is so much Inflow & Infiltration (I&I) and where it is coming from. All municipalities involved need to measure Inflow & Infiltration during two to three significant rainfalls. The Township will probably have to install flow meters to each line. We will find out shortly what the cost and the process will be.

Par Plan Grant Approval – The Township has been approved for \$2,500.00 for new camera system at the park. The total for the purchase of the equipment is \$4,200.00 and will have to be installed by the Township. Brennan suggested looking into the Ring system.

AIRBNB...PPO vs. Zoning Ordinance – Lesinski would like to get a handle on this issue before it becomes a problem and is suggesting to start as a PPO instead of a Zoning Ordinance because properties already operating as an AIRBNB will be grandfathered in under a Zoning Ordinance. After much discussion the Board decided to move forward with the Zoning Ordinance.

Quinn Settlement – The settlement has two conditions, 1.) Quinn pays for a third party inspector/engineer to inspect the project and sign off on it. 2.) Quinn pays a fine of \$1,200.00. The Township has already spent a large amount in attorney's fees and everyone agreed to move forward with the settlement.

Cemetery Trees – Due to recent storms some trees have fallen in the west cemetery. Lesinski and Zenz did a walk through with Johnny's Tree Service. Found nine trees that need to be taken down. The estimated cost is \$13,570.00, this does not include removal from the cemetery. This amount would require a bid package. Lesinski stated that it may be possible to do this over a couple years to split up the cost. Brennan is going to get a quote from one of his contacts. It was decided to get a price from

Johnny's Tree Service that would include complete removal and compare to Brennan's contact.

Open Discussion – Jones would like to get the fire millage back up to the 1.5 mills due to the cost of operations continuing to increase. There was discussion on the vacation pay for DeBoe. Bray noticed a post missing at the soccer field and people are able to drive around the gate.

Motion by Brennan and supported by Loveland to adjourn at 10:16 a.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Harris, Deputy Clerk