

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
Regular Monthly Meeting
Grass Lake Charter Township Board
September 13, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Grass Lake Charter Township Board was called to order on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 6:31 p.m. by Supervisor Lesinski at the Township Hall. This meeting was in person as well as ZOOM.

Board Members Present by Roll Call: Bednarski-Lynch, Zenz, Loveland, Lesinski, Golding and Brennan.
Absent: Bray.

Also Present: Village Manager Edgar, Fire Chief Jones, 5 Public and 3 Public by Zoom.

Pledge to flag was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Brennan and supported by Bednarski-Lynch to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

Consent Agenda Items: - **Meeting Minutes** – as prepared. **County Sheriff Report** – as prepared. **Assessor's Report** – no report. **Zoning Administrator's Report** – as prepared. **DPW Report** – as prepared. **Zoning Enforcement Report** – as prepared. **Building and Grounds Report** – as prepared. Motion by Golding and supported by Brennan to accept the consent agenda items as reported. Motion Carried.

Monthly Bills: Motion by Golding to pay the General Fund bills in the amount of \$76,424.50 and Fire Fund bills in the amount of \$15,511.91. Supported by Bednarski-Lynch. Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Golding, Bednarski-Lynch, Brennan, Lesinski, Loveland and Zenz. Absent: Bray. Nays – None.

Treasurer's Report: Loveland reported that the tax collection is going well. Last two days have been very busy, he invited the Trustees to come and observe how the process works!! Last Revenue Sharing was higher than expected. Changes to the Principal Residence Exemption by the State has made things nicer for the taxpayer and a little less work in the long run for the Treasurer's Department. Motion by Lesinski to accept and approve report as presented. Supported by Brennan. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: none.

Old Business: a) – **ARPA Update – building update** – Within the next few weeks we should expect to see a preliminary drawing prepared by ARK Architects for the Township Hall. b) – **Parks Update – Scott Bray and Mr Bob Hamel** – A plan was put together by Bray and presented to the soccer and baseball leagues for a means to be able to sustain the park monetarily. Both leagues were very receptive to the plan. Mr Hamel spoke about the need to remove the Autumn Olive that is growing in the park. This should be done every couple of years. He would like us to make sure that we budget for this. If this is not taking care of properly it could overcome the trails in the park and other areas where growing. He suggested to contact Wild Type Gardens in Mason as they have taking care of this in the past.

c) – STR Ordinance – update – Lesinski has 2 or 3 people going over the draft and they will be meeting by the end of October.

New Business: a) – L-4029 Approval – Motion by Bednarski-Lynch to approve the L-4029, millage requested to be levied December 1 for Allocated Operating (General Fund) .6729 and Voted Fire Operating (Fire Fund) 1.64. Supported by Loveland. Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Bednarski-Lynch, Golding, Brennan, Lesinski, Loveland and Zenz. Absent: Bray. Nays – None. **b) – Amendment to Poverty Exemption Resolution** – Motion by Golding to offer “Amendment to Resolution Poverty Exemption Limited Continuation – Dated 1/12/2021”. Supported by Zenz. Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Golding, Zenz, Bednarski-Lynch, Brennan, Lesinski and Loveland. Absent: Bray. Nays – None. **c) – New Street Light Resolution (Consumers) Michigan Ave and Norvell Road** – Motion by Lesinski to offer resolution for “Authorization for change in Standard Lighting Contract” between the Township and Consumers Energy for new street light at Michigan Avenue and Norvell Road. Supported by Golding. Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Lesinski, Golding, Brennan, Bednarski-Lynch, Loveland and Zenz. Absent: Bray. Nays – None. **d) – IT Right Agreement – up graded services** - Motion by Bednarski-Lynch to accept the new IT agreement with elevated costs factored in for the next three years for upgraded cyper protection on all existing computers and related network equipment. Supported by Zenz. Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Bednarski-Lynch, Zenz, Brennan, Lesinski, Loveland and Golding. Absent: Bray. Nays – None. **e) – 2023 Tire Event – 2022 Tire Event** only filled $\frac{3}{4}$ of a trailer, usually 2 full trailers. Napoleon and Norvell asked that we do it next year, but we would want the help from them. Lesinski will check the dates done in previous years before committing to a date for 2023. **f) – Broadband Proposal** – Motion by Lesinski to move forward with the “Township Internet Service Franchise Agreement” with Evolutionary Fiber Services, LLC upon review from the Township Attorney. Supported by Brennan. Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Lesinski, Brennan, Golding, Bednarski-Lynch, Loveland and Zenz. Absent: Bray. Nays – None.

Fire Department Report: as prepared by Fire Chief Jones. Will be working on updating the Cadet Manual. Chief has some applications for new cadets.

Public Comment: None.

Adjournment: Motion by Bednarski-Lynch to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 pm, supported by Brennan. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Catherine Zenz, Township Clerk