

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

The **regular monthly** meeting of the Grass Lake Charter Township Board was called to order on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 6:20 p.m., immediately following Budget Public Hearing by Supervisor Lesinski at the Township Hall.

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

Also Present: Fire Chief Jones, 3 Public and 3 by ZOOM.

Pledge to flag was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Bray 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** – no report, Lesinski did report that nothing much is happening. The Electrical at Letts Creek Solar was finalized this week, still some things to do before final certificate of completion can be issued. **DPW Report** – as prepared. **Zoning Enforcement Report** – as prepared. **Building and Grounds Report** – as prepared. Motion by Brennan and supported by Bray to accept the consent agenda items as reported. Motion Carried.

2022 Budget Amendments – Zenz made motion to transfer \$25,000.00 from Fund 424 Township Building Fund-Capital Outlay to General Fund 101-265.000-930.000 Repair and Maintenance for sidewalk work at Sports-N-Trail Park, and to transfer \$1,250.00 from General Fund Clerk Department to General Fund Cemetery Department 101-567.000-801.012 to cover coverage in tree cutting. Supported by Bednarski-Lynch. Roll Call Vote: Yeas –Zenz, Bednarski-Lynch, Brennan, Loveland, Lesinski, Zenz, Lamborghini and Bray. Nays – None. Zenz made motion to transfer \$75,000.00 from Fire Savings to Fire Vehicle & Equipment Fund from the 2022 fiscal budget. Supported by Loveland. Roll Call Vote: Yeas –Zenz, Loveland, Bednarski-Lynch, Brennan, Lesinski, Lamborghini and Bray. Nays – None.

Monthly Bills: Motion by Brennan to pay the General Fund bills in the amount of \$165,056.12 and Fire Fund bills in the amount of \$52,744.68. Supported by Bray. Roll Call Vote: Yeas –Brennan, Bray, Loveland, Bednarski-Lynch, Lesinski, Zenz and Lamborghini. Nays – None.

Treasurer’s Report: Loveland reported that his office mailed out winter tax bills on November 30 and the collection is going well. Lesinski made motion to accept and file the report as presented. Supported by Brennan. Motion Carried.

Correspondence: Decker Agency – dividend return from Accident Fund. Appreciation letter from Attorney’s Office.

Old Business: **a) – ARPA Update – building update** – 2nd drawing was received, will go over with entire board in the new year. **b) – Parks Update** – Nothing new, the next meeting will be scheduled in the new year.

New Business: **a) – PC, BOR and ZBA Appointments** – Motion by Lesinski to re-appoint Mark Jewel, Jim Warbritton and Dale Lucas to the Planning Commission with term ending 12-2025. Tom Zenz, Heather McDougall, Star Mead and Jim Stormont to the Board of Review with term ending 12-2024. Danny Hart and Tim Golding to the Zoning Board of Appeals with term ending 12-2025. Supported by Brennan. Motion Carried. **b) – Resolution for General Appropriations Act (2023 Budget)** - Motion by Bednarski-Lynch to adopt the resolution for the 2023 fiscal year budget. Supported by Loveland. Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Bednarski-Lynch, Loveland, Lesinski, Zenz, Brennan, Bray and Lamborghini. Nays – None. **c) – 2023 Monthly Board Meeting Dates & Work Session Dates, 2023 Holiday Closing Dates** – Zenz asked to have the December 12, 2023 Budget Public Hearing to start at 6:15. Motion by Zenz to approve the 2023 calendar year Regular Monthly Board Meeting dates with correction, Work Session dates, and 2023 Holiday Closing Dates as presented. Supported by Bray. Motion Carried. **d) – Grass Lake Schools Summer Tax Collection Agreement** – tabled signing the agreement. Loveland and Lesinski will be checking with other jurisdictions in regards to raising the collection fee. Jackson College is the lowest at .15 cents and that really needs to be increased.

Fire Department Report: **a) – Report** - as presented by Fire Chief Jones. Breakfast with Santa was a great success, served 250 people pancakes and sausage. Free will offering and toys will go to families in need in the community.

Public Comment: David Keener, Village President asked the question about Jackson College, they are now a 4 year accreditation school, so why are we still collecting taxes like a Community College?

Adjournment: Motion by Brennan to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm, supported by Bednarski-Lynch. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Catherine Zenz, Township Clerk