

**GRASS LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
APPROVED SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
March 19, 2024**

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Lesinski at 6:30 p.m.

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

Also Present: Approximately 20 public.

Pledge to flag was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Brennan to accept the agenda. Supported by Loveland. Motion Carried.

Reason for Meeting: To discuss road improvements and approximate costs for a special assessment district for Tims Lake Blvd.

Public Hearing: – How much of the road will be removed? It will be chip sealed over existing road then 1.5” of asphalt will be laid over top to make the road smooth. Will cracks continue to be an issue? This process is supposed to help prevent cracking. Will the transition to the driveways be smooth? Yes, the Department of Transportation will make sure of that. Will the potholes be filled in first? We have to assume yes at this point. Public hearing adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

New Business: – **a) – Introduce Resolution 24-02** – Lesinski explained that resolution is needed in order to proceed with the project. Property owner petitions were collected, approved and accepted. The special assessment district was confirmed. The project plans and cost will be approximately \$119,457.50 due from the residents. This does not include the interest on the bond. The Department of Transportation is paying 30% of the total cost. It was recommended to do the bond for five years or less. Depending on the Department of Transportation’s schedule it should be beginning of August or September for the project to start. Lesinski has prepared a special assessment roll. Lesinski offered Resolution 24-02. Supported by Brennan. Roll Call: Yeas – Lesinski, Brennan, Loveland, and Harris. Nays – None. Absent – Bednarski-Lynch, Bray, Lamborghini. Motion carried. **b) – Second Public Hearing Date** – Brennan offered Resolution 24-03 to set a date for the required second public hearing for April 9, 2024 at 6:15 p.m. Supported by Lesinski. Roll Call: Yeas – Brennan, Lesinski, Loveland, and Harris. Nays – None. Absent – Bednarski-Lynch, Bray, Lamborghini. Motion carried.

Public Comment – The total cost is portioned between 32 lots. Can the assessed value of each lot be used instead of dividing equally? Brennan thinks it’s fair as is, using the roads isn’t based on the value of a house. Would have to redo the petitions. If it’s assumed there will be 5% interest over five years the tax assessment would be about \$950 a year. If the bond is for less than five years would the process have to be restarted? No. It is still possible to pay for the project up front. Residents would just have to pay attorney and administration fees up to this point. If a homeowner’s portion was paid in a lump sum, would it reduce the amount of the bond. You would still have to pay interest. There are five lots with four property owners that do not want to pay up front. If a house is sold the special assessment will continue with the house.

Motion by Brennan to adjourn meeting at 7:11 p.m. Supported by Loveland. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Harris, Clerk