

Grant Township Monthly Board Meeting

March 14, 2017

The Grant Township monthly board meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Supervisor Archambo. The pledge was recited by all.

Present were: Supervisor Archambo, Clerk Chimner, Treasurer Vallance, Trustee Kallio Trustee Boyd was absent. 2 residents were present.

Additions to the Agenda:

- Hiring of a cleaning person

A motion was made by Treasurer Vallance to approve the agenda with the addition. It was supported by Trustee Kallio and approved by all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Treasurer Vallance to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2017 meeting with the correction. It was supported by Trustee Kallio, and approved by all. Motion carried.

Clerk's Report:

- Received and filed library report
- Attended an election meeting with the County Clerk
- Attend 2 county wide presentations on new voting equipment
- Met with township lawyer 3 times
- Filed updated 2020 census contact forms
- Filed tax exempt status with Aurora Gas
- Completed and filed retirement withdrawal forms with MetLife for Hart and Churchill

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Vallance reported the following:

- Municipal Money Market cash on hand as of 1/31/17 was \$53,164.16. February deposits were \$3.74. Transfer to General Checking was \$8,410.00 for a balance on hand as of 2/28/17 of \$44,757.90.
- General Fund Checking cash on hand on 1/31/17 was \$1.83. February deposits were \$8,410.06. Total disbursements were \$8,411.49 for a balance on hand as of 2/28/2017 of \$.40.
- Investments balance on hand as of 2/28/17 was \$160,643.96 for a total worth of \$205,402.26 which is an increase over last year at this time of 15,565.76.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Clerk Chimner and supported by Trustee Kallio. All approved and the motion carried.

Speakers:

Public Comment:

Old Business:

New Business:

- After discussion Treasurer Vallance made a motion to approve the contract with Joe Lavender as the township assessor and a contract with Up North Assessing, Inc. with the inclusion of this statement inserted in #13 of the contract agreement; "the company will defend and hold harmless the township in the unlikely event of IRS litigation". The motion was supported by Trustee Kallio. It was approved and carried.
- Clerk Chimner made a motion to accept the proposed 2017-18 budget. It was supported by Treasurer Vallance and approved by all. Motion carried.
- A motion was made by Treasurer Vallance and supported by Clerk Chimner to approve the 2017 annual Salary Resolution. A roll call vote was taken with 4 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried.
- A motion was made by Treasurer Vallance and supported by Trustee Kallio to approve the General Property Tax for 2017-18. A roll call vote was taken with 4 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried.
- A motion was made by Treasurer Vallance and supported by Clerk Chimner to approve the 2017-18 Resolution and Poverty Exemption Eligibility Guidelines. A roll call vote was taken with 4 yeas and 1 absent. Motion carried.
- Applications will be taken for the position of the vacated cleaning person.

Public Comment:

Stan Neff reported on the BOR hearings. He said all went smoothly and everyone was polite and courteous and residents left happy. Supervisor Archambo also commented on how well it went. There was a large turnout.

Meeting Reports:

- At the Road Commission meeting the manager spoke to Supervisor Archambo and told him that tar and chipping Twin Lakes Road was not much cheaper than paving. It was felt that information was in error. He was also informed that Reynolds Rd. should be paved before Twin Lakes Road. Everyone was in agreement Reynolds Road does not need paving but a portion of Twin Lakes definitely does.
- At the MTA meeting FOIA requests were discussed. It was stated that unless invited to speak attendees at the meeting need to be township board members.

Website/Newsletter**Pay Bills:**

A motion to pay the bills was made by Treasurer Vallance, supported by Trustee Kallio. Approved by all and carried.

Adjournment:

Supervisor Archambo adjourned the meeting at 7:10.

Submitted by Judi Chimner,
Grant Township Clerk