

Grant Township Monthly Board Meeting

September 11, 2018

The Grant Township monthly board meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Supervisor Archambo. Present were: Supervisor Archambo, Clerk Ossewaarde, Treasurer Vallance, Trustee Kallio and Trustee Boyd. 12 general public members were in attendance.

The pledge was recited by all.

Additions to the Agenda: 1. to include into the New business section: acceptance of PIE &G franchise. Motion by Treasurer Vallance, supported by Trustee Kallio to approve tonight's agenda with addition. All approved, motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Boyd, supported by Treasurer Vallance, to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting from August 14, 2018, as written. All approved, motion carried.

Clerk's Report:

Minutes from July 12, 2018 Library board meeting received and available for review.

Clerk Ossewaarde updated Board members on progress with FOIA request from "Emily", who is requesting copies of all ballots cast in 2016 November General Election.

Treasurer's Report:

Municipal Money Market cash on hand as of 7/31/18 was: \$72,581.66. August deposits were: \$6115.01; and with a transfer to Checking of \$16,704.00; with a balance on hand as of 8/31/18 of \$61,992.67.

General Fund Checking cash on hand as of 7/31/18 was \$11.27. August interest was \$0.29. August deposits were \$16,704.29. August disbursements were \$16,714.63, for a balance on hand as of 8/31/2018 is \$0.93.

Municipal Money Market worth as of 7/31/18 was \$61,992.67, General Fund Checking worth was \$0.93, and investments on Deposit was \$162,677.74; for a total net worth of \$224,671.34, which is \$19,086.25 more than the total worth this month last year.

Motion by Trustee Boyd, supported by Trustee Kallio, to approve the Treasurer's report, as read. All approved, motion carried.

Speakers:

1. County Commissioner Matelski gave a report on the County Commissioner meeting from this morning.
2. Adam Gandolfi reviewed the insurance policy for Grant Township.

Public Comment: None

Old Business:

1. No progress to note on sale of Black Lake Marina
2. Outhouses on the Town Hall property have been repaired and are available for use.
3. MTA guidelines state that only one constable is needed, but not limited to just one; a township can have more than one. Township can appoint/not appoint a replacement if a resignation occurs to fulfill remainder of that constable's term. Doug Hempenstall, the remaining constable is willing to complete duties of constable until the next election in 2020, when a second constable will be elected.

New Business:

1. Motion by Trustee Boyd, supported by Treasurer Vallance to regretfully accept the resignation of Joe Lavender, and cancel his contract effective September 11, 2018. All approved, motion carried. Motion Trustee Kallio, supported by Treasurer Vallance to accept the contract with Nick Couture for Grant Township assessor. All approved, motion carried.
2. Resolution to be made regarding the proposed State of Michigan Assessing regulations. Tabled until the October 9 Township Board meeting.
3. Ordinance for enforcing the "No parking" signs that will be placed at end of Owens Road. Tabled until the October 9 Township Board meeting.
4. Motion by Treasurer Vallance, supported by Trustee Boyd to replace Aurora Gas franchise with PIE & G franchise. All approved, motion carried.

Public Comment:

1. One resident requested another brining on gravel roads for this year. Supervisor Archambo explained that Cheboygan County Road Commission is in process of grading roads, and that brining of roads would interfere with this grading.
2. One resident requested putting ditches on shoulders of Forsyth Road. Supervisor Archambo said he would investigate the possibility.
3. One resident asked about how the Recycling Program works. Treasurer Vallance explained.

Meeting Reports:

1. Supervisor Archambo reported on Road commission meeting from this morning.
2. Trustee Boyd reported on 8/15 Planning meeting, 8/30 MTA meeting, and 9/5 Planning meeting.
3. Trustee Kallio reported on 8/13 Library meeting and presented an article, about how residents can use the library, to be published in the Township's winter newsletter.

Website/Newsletter:

Clerk Ossewaarde presented an article from the Forestry Assistance Program that will be published in the Township's winter newsletter.

Pay Bills:

Motion Treasurer Vallance, supported by Trustee Kallio, to pay September bills. Roll call vote: Archambo: yes, Boyd: yes, Kallio: yes, Ossewaarde: yes, Vallance: yes. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 by Supervisor Archambo.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Ossewaarde, Clerk