

GRAND RAPIDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

January 25, 2016

The Grand Rapids Township Trustees met at 7:00 P.M. in the Grand Rapids Fire Hall. Roll call was answered by Rita Foos, Eric Flora and Tracy Punches. There were nine guests present.

Eric Flora moved to approve the minutes and dispense with reading the minutes of the previous meeting as copies were made available to guests. 2nd by Tracy Punches Roll Call YES: Rita Foos, Eric Flora and Tracy Punches. Motion carried.

Bills in the amount of \$24,205.29 were presented for approval by the Fiscal Officer. Tracy Punches moved to pay all bills as presented. 2nd by Eric Flora. Roll Call YES: Eric Flora, Rita Foos and Tracy Punches. Motion carried.

Robert Clark reported fire runs 3-8.

Tom Hall attended the meeting to introduce himself and inform the board that he would be willing to serve on one of the zoning boards. After a short discussion it was decided to appoint him to the Board of Appeals.

Eric Flora moved to appoint Ken Knaggs to the Zoning Commission for a five year term expiring on 12/31/2020, and move Robert Clark from Alternate to the Board of Appeals for a five year term expiring 12/31/2020, and to appoint Tom Hall as an alternate on the Board of Appeals. 2nd by Tracy Punches. Roll Call YES: Rita Foos, Eric Flora and Tracy Punches. Motion Carried.

Rita informed the board that she spoke with Ken Rogers and he is also willing to serve on one of the zoning boards.

Rita Foos moved to appoint Ken Rogers as an alternate on the Zoning Commission. 2nd by Eric Flora. Roll Call YES: Eric Flora, Rita Foos and Tracy Punches. Motion Carried.

Rita Foos mentioned that the brush on Rt. 6 east of the Wapakoneta intersection is blocking motorists view. Cory Johnson to report this to the Health Department.

Cory Johnson informed the board that he spoke with Lauren Sautter to inform him that his property needs to be cleaned up.

Rita mentioned that she read the township's zoning resolution and it says that the township's zoning inspector is supposed to live in the township and not serve as zoning inspector in another township.

After a short discussion on the issue Rita Foos moved to make a waiver of Cory Johnson's residency requirement until the Zoning Commission can meet and make a recommendation. 2nd by Tracy Punches. Roll Call YES: Rita Foos, Eric Flora and Tracy Punches. Motion carried.

Rita Foos requested clarification on what her responsibilities and duties are in regards to the township's roads. Tracy Punches asked her how she planned on responding to a call to plow the roads. Rita Foos informed the board that she does not plan to plow snow. Eric Flora stated that it is not fair for him and Tracy to do the extra plowing and to be in the drug testing pool which requires addition time off work to go get drug tested. Cary Long mentioned that in the past there have been trustees that did not plow snow. Rita Foos mentioned that when she ran for trustee she ran to fill the position that was in charge of the cemetery duties and that there are other ways that she can serve and bring value to the township without plowing snow. Tracy Punches stated that there are times when the trustees are called to do things when Gary Haas is not on duty and asked Rita how she planned to do those things.

There was a short discussion on the drainage problem on Pratt Lane by the railroad. Rita Foos to contact Eric Palmer Excavating to get a solution.

Rita Foos informed the board that she plans to attend the State Township Association meeting and asked the board if they wanted her to attend any specific meetings.

The board signed two "Hold Harmless" agreements for people using the Fire Station.

Eric informed the board that the ditch bank mower comes with a one year warranty.

Eric Flora moved to purchase the John Deere 280 ditch bank mower with a hydraulic swing arm from Findlay Implement for \$6,299.08 with trade in of our mower. 2nd by Rita Foos. Roll Call YES: Eric Flora, Rita Foos and Tracy Punches. Motion carried.

Randy Box attended the meeting and informed the board that the Board of Appeals is having a reorganization meeting tomorrow along with an appeal hearing on February 9, 2016.

Joe Schroder attended the meeting to see if the board had any questions on the insurance renewal.

Eric Flora moved to approve the township inventory. 2nd by Tracy Panches. Roll Call YES: Rita Foos, Eric Flora and Tracy Panches. Motion carried.

Eric Flora moved to approve the supplemental appropriations to accommodate the purchase of the ditch bank mower and township salaries. 2nd by Rita Foos. Roll Call YES Eric Flora, Rita Foos and Tracy Panches. Motion carried.

Eric Flora moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned.

Trustees

Fiscal Officer
