

Grant Township Board

Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2016

Opening

The regular meeting of the Grant Township Board was called to order at 7:00 PM on August 1st by Stanley VanSingel, supervisor.

Present

Stanley VanSingel, Gladys VeltKamp, Edith Elsenheimer, Janet Lesley and Edith Walton

Approval of Agenda/Minutes

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Minutes from the July 11th meeting, and Treasurers report for July was made by Edith Elsenheimer and seconded by Janet Lesley. All were in favor and the motion carried

Zoning

Kim Martens provided zoning activity for the month of July and gave a brief overview of the upcoming Planning Commission meeting and Special Use applications under review.

Fire Report

No Fire report was given this month.

Treasurer

Edith Elsenheimer provided the feedback we received regarding the purchase of a defibrillator for the Township Hall. It has been recommended that we do not purchase due to liability that can be placed on the board members or anyone that may be trained to use it.

Township Clean up day was well attended again this year.

Open Issues

Mellema Nursery will be replacing the shrubbery in the front of the building around the 1st of September.

Township resident asked if she can have the old plants when they are removed. She may have them if she comes as they are removed and Mellema's have no objections. She will be responsible for transporting them.

New Business

Gladys read a billing notice and contract for Recycling of Newaygo County. We have previously had a member attend one of our meetings to provide information and ask for an annual operating contribution. That has not occurred for two years. Edith Elsenheimer made a motion to approve a payment of \$2000 for 2015 and an additional \$2000 for 2016. Gladys seconded the motion, all in favor; motion carried.

An information letter was also read regarding the transporting of waste from Nestle-Gerber to Wayne County. This will require approval from 67% of all municipalities. It is just an FYI at this point in time.

Board discussed the need for expansion of the current drop box. Many ballots were stuck or sticking outside of the current box which is no longer serving its intended purpose. A motion was made by Janet Lesley to obtain prices and expand the current box, 2nd by Edith. All in favor, motion was carried.

Public Comment

Comment was once again made regarding the installation of Stop ahead signs at all intersections in township due to a recent accident. This is something that needs to be taken up with the county road commission and was the advice provided to resident.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm by Stanley VanSingel, supervisor. The next general meeting will be at 7:00 pm on September 12, 2016.

Minutes submitted by: Gladys VeltKamp, Clerk