

Grant Township Board

Meeting Minutes

July 3, 2023

Opening

The regular meeting of the Grant Township Board was called to order on July 3, 2023 at 7:00 PM by; Stanley VanSingel, opening with a prayer; followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present

Stanley VanSingel, Supervisor, Gladys VeltKamp, Edith Elsenheimer, Max Mellon, and Janet Lesley

Absent

None

Approval of Consent Agenda/Minutes

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda and Minutes from June 5, 2023 meeting was made by Janet Lesley, seconded by Edie; all were in favor and the motion passed.

Clerk

No after audit bills this month. The newly adopted Zoning Ordinance has been printed and was distributed to board members at this meeting

Zoning

Kim provided information on the current zoning permits, property split requests, special land use requests, complaints and letters sent in June.

Follow up to review of Dutch Mill bi-laws which at one time stated no commercial business. The bi-laws were changed in 2021 and township has not received a copy of the changes for review.

PC will hold a special use hearing on July 20th at 7 pm.

There was a question regarding the stipulation made years ago for Dan's Excavating, requiring a row of trees remain as a divider between the business and the High School. These trees have now been removed. Kim will review old minutes and notes.

Fire Report

Max provided an update from the last Fire board meeting including new hires, training, purchases approved and a grant applied for. He also gave current financial status which shows the department is doing well in this area.

Code Enforcement

Enforcement officer provided an update for May and June activities and status of court cases. He has asked for “sorry I missed you notices” that can be left at resident homes if no one is available.

Old Business

- Stan met with Consumers Power regarding the trees in the cemetery. They agree that they need removal or trimming but it will be next year before they can schedule.
- A meeting was held with Reith Riley regarding the parking lot. They have agreed that contract was not followed and plans are being made to redo and repair. The board discussed the need for new concrete sidewalk and moving the flag to accommodate the changes. Gladys will contact Grewe’s and Kruithoff Electric to mark water and lighting lines.

New Business

- Both Planning and ZBA boards met in June for the purpose of electing officers.
- ZBA is short one member position currently. Sam has requested that the board move him from alternate to full member. Due to past attendance the board feels it is best to seek another candidate. No motion was received to approve the request.
- Max has obtained quotes for equipment needs for the cemetery. A ladder, pressure washer, and a pole saw. Janet made a motion to purchase, seconded by Edie. All were in favor and Max will order

Public Comment

- No public comment received
- The next meeting will be held: Monday, August 7, 2023 at 7 pm
- This meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Gladys VeltKamp, Clerk