

Minutes – Board of Town Trustees

State of Illinois,
Lake County, ss. }
Town of Grant, }

August 20, 2019
Board Minutes, Final

The Board of Town Trustees met at the Grant Township Administration Building at 26725 W. Molidor Road on August 20, 2019.

Attendees:

Supervisor:	Kay Starostovic	x__ Present	___ Absent
Trustee:	Robert Hamm	x__ Present	___ Absent
	Bob Selle	___ Present	x__ Absent
	Carol Ulasz	x__ Present	___ Absent
	Tom Lippert	___ Present	x__ Absent
Clerk:	Barbara Schau	x__ Present	___ Absent

Ms. Kay Starostovic as chairperson and Barbara Schau as clerk, the following official business was transacted:

1.-2. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm with the pledge to the Flag.

3. Roll Call of Officials

Present: Trustees Hamm, Ulasz; Supervisor Starostovic;

Absent: Trustee Selle (via speaker phone); Trustee Lippert

4. Audience

There were no comments from the audience at this time.

5. Motion to Approve Minutes

Trustee Hamm made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2019 board meeting; motion seconded by Trustee Ulasz. There being no further discussion or comments, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Ulasz; Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion carried

6. Motion to Approve Bills

Trustee Ulasz made a motion to approve the bills dated July 1, 2019 through July 31, 2019 in the amount of \$301,940.40; motion seconded by Trustee Hamm. There being no further discussion or comments, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Ulasz; Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion carried

7. Motion to Approve Investment Report

Trustee Ulasz made a motion to approve the Investment Report dated July 31, 2019 in the amount of \$4,421,217.33; motion seconded by Trustee Hamm. There being no further discussion or comments, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Ulasz; Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion carried

8. Miscellaneous

None

9. Old Business

a. Update on Walking Path

This project is moving along, and we are pleased to see the path being used. There had been discussion about extending the sidewalk further. It appears that there is an opportunity to do so, and the Highway Commissioner will have further input.

b. 5K Walk/Run and Fall Festival Progress

- 5k is ready to go. We have the t-shirts and the medals. We have volunteers who always make our event successful, and we are expecting a good turnout. So many residents and businesses have made generous donations, as have the elected officials.

- Fall Festival

This event is well on its way, with vendors and exhibitors already scheduled. After last year's experience of having to cancel the event due to very rainy weather, this year there is a Plan A and a Plan B.

c. Report on Township Projects

- Lightning rods have been installed at the playground
- We will do the hydro-block project after the football season
- The sprinkling system has been completed
- We continue to consider the work needed on the turf at the ADA Playground; we may try to do this project in-house
- we are considering the purchase of a new mower; we believe a 60" mower would suit our needs better than a 72" mower
- We had a beaver at the pond; he managed to destroy 5 trees
- Everbreeze Park is in good condition
- Our Grant maintenance crew is outstanding; they do an exceptional job

d. TOI Conference

All of the officials are registered and arrangements have been made.

e. Wetland Delineation

Our park was investigated by Gewalt Hamilton, and provided Grant Township with a summary of findings. Four wetlands and one pond were delineated. Going forward, we must look into all options as well as costs as it relates to the wetlands being impacted by a project.

f. Information on Safe

The Board of Trustees recently voted to secure the original Grant Township Safe. We have it, and it is being cleaned, and we will be sure to place it in a perfect place.

g. Any Other Old Business

None

10. New Business

a. Consider Motions

- To Support Development of a Chain O' Lakes Watershed

There had been discussion from many entities regarding funds to support the development of a watershed. It appears that no firm decisions have been made. At this time, Grant Township is still evaluating how to proceed. However, the board has agreed to support the watershed project. To this end, Trustee Ulasz made a motion for Grant Township to support the watershed project; motion seconded by Trustee Hamm. The board further agreed to send a letter of support to the Chain O'Lakes Watershed. There being no further discussion or comments, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Ulasz; Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

- To Approve 2018-2019 Grant Township Audit

The Board of Trustees had reviewed the Audit prepared by GRA in Crystal Lake.

Trustee Ulasz made a motion to accept the Audit Report as presented; motion seconded by Trustee Hamm. There being no further comments or discussion the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Ulasz, Hamm; Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion carried

- To Approve GTC (Grant Township Center) Corporation Report

This will be completed when all of the Trustees are available.

b. Any Other New Business

None

11. Officials' Reports

Supervisor

- Attended a meeting in Volo; transportation for the future was the main topic

Clerk

Nothing to report at this time.

Trustees

Trustee Selle attended a McHenry meeting regarding future transportation. This is a topic for the public to vote/do the right thing.

12. Audience

Our guest in the audience indicated that he was looking for information from the county, specifically their strategic plan. We explained that we did not have that information, but provided options for securing the information. He expressed concern about the wetland delineation, considering that one already exists. He also expressed his thoughts on consolidation at the township level. Supervisor offered to set up a meeting with her, Judi Martini, and the guest to better understand what information he is looking for.

13. Adjournment

There being no further business before the board, Trustee Hamm made a motion to adjourn; motion seconded by Trustee Ulasz. A voice vote was called, all in favor, none opposed, and the meeting was closed at 6:445pm,

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara L. Schau
Grant Township Clerk