

# Minutes – Board of Town Trustees

## Grant Township Board Minutes-FINAL

REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEE'S MEETING, TUESDAY APRIL 18th, 2023  
26725 W. MOLITOR ROAD, INGLESIDE ILLINOIS 60041

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Deputy Supervisor Selle at 6:00 PM

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Lead by Deputy Supervisor Selle

3. **ROLL CALL:** Present: Trustee's Selle, Lippert, and Fischer. Also present: Assessor LaMantia and Administrative Assistant Nancy Rogers. Absent: Supervisor Starostovic and Trustee Hamm.

4. **AUDIENCE:** None

5. **MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF March 21st, 2023 BOARD MEETING:** Discussion ensued. Motion to approve minutes as amended by Trustee Lippert. Seconded by Trustee Fischer. All in favor. Motion carries.

**MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup> 2023 CLOSING OF THE BOOKS::**  
Discussion ensued. Motion to approve minutes as presented by Trustee Lippert. Seconded by Trustee Fischer. All in favor. Motion carries.

### **6. MISCELLANEOUS:**

A. Gewalt Hamilton Presentation on MS4: Carolina Cho from Gewalt Hamilton did an overview on the MS4 requirements which is mandated by IDNR for the municipal storm sewer systems located in the unincorporated areas under the Grant Township Highway Departments jurisdiction. This requirement renews every 5 years and looks for pollution within the outfalls which the Township maintains. Discussion ensued by the Board of Trustees.

B. Appoint members to the Decennial Committee: Clerk Martini distributed the State Law on the legislation for the Board to review prior to the first Decennial Committee Meeting which will be held on May 16<sup>th</sup> prior to the Board of Trustee Meeting and will be held at 5:30 for the Townships Decennial Meeting and 5:45 for the Highway Departments Decennial Meeting. The first meeting will consist of an overview of what the report should consist of and to establish the schedule for the next 2 Decennial Meetings.

Members of the Township Decennial Committee will consist of all the Township Elected Officials, Administrative Assistant Nancy Rogers, and residents Angie Cevallos and Jackie Volkmar. The Highway Departments Decennial Committee will consist of all Elected Officials of Grant Township, Highway Department Ruth Michniewicz as a resident of the Township and also resident David Fleming.

Motion by Trustee Lippert to approve appointments. Seconded by Trustee Fischer. Discussion ensued. Administrative Assistant Rogers reported that she has contacted our attorney seeking to get more clarity on the legislation and is awaiting a response. There being no further questions the vote was called for approval of appointments.. All in favor. Motion Carries.

### **7. OLD BUSINESS:**

A. **BUILDINGS, PARKS AND GROUNDS:** Administrative Assistant Rogers reported that our crews have been busy doing a spring cleanup of grounds, mowing and applying herbicides.

B. **UPDATE ON GRANT TOWNSHIP CENTER GRANT APPLICATION:** Trustee Lippert reported that he had met with Joe from the Hitchcock Group. We will have soil testing done to ensure no saturation problems on the proposed projects and that we might have to reconfigure the plan to relocate the proposed combination tennis/pickle ball court, the 2 pickle ball courts and the exercise area if there are any concerns about storm drainage. There was discussion on accepting half of the grant money now. The proposed projects should be done within a 2 year period. We are looking at securing all permits by the end of the calendar year so we can move forward.

**C. REVIEW OF EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK FOR TOWNSHIP & ASSESSORS DEPT.**  
The Board decided not to take any action on approval of the Handbook until they have time to review. They agreed that we should have it on next month's agenda for approval. The Board also wants to be sure that the Attorney has reviewed all Grant Township's Employee Handbooks before any vote is taken for approval.

**D. UPDATE ON ANNUAL MEETING:** No update

**E. ANY OTHER OLD BUSINESS:** None

**8. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. SET BUDGET MEETING FOR 2023-2024**

Discussion ensued. Date set for May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 5:00 prior to Decennial Meeting. Motion by Trustee Lippert to approve date and time. Seconded by Trustee Fischer. All in favor. Motion Carries.

**B. OTHER NEW BUSINESS:** None

**9. CONSIDER MOTIONS:**

**A. MOTION TO APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR MAINTENANCE ON 4 Ball FIELDS BY VAN'S ENTERPRISES, Ltd.**

Motion by Trustee Lippert to approve proposal of \$23,785. Seconded by Trustee Fischer. All in favor. Motion Carries.

**B. MOTION TO APPROVE BID FOR CONCRETE FITNESS SLAB BY L. SMITH**

Motion to approve bid of \$ 13,990 by Trustee Fischer. Seconded by Trustee Lippert. Discussion ensued. All in favor. Motion Carries.

**C. MOTION TO APPROVE BID TO GUT ELECTRIC CORP. FOR GARAGE HEATER**

Motion by Trustee Lippert to approve bid of \$5,900. Seconded by Trustee Fischer. Trustee Lippert suggested that we make sure installation meets all building codes. There being no further discussion, the vote was called. All in favor. Motion Carries.

**10. OFFICIALS REPORTS:**

Assessor LaMantia reported that she attended the State Conference and was very impressed with quest speaker Ray LaHood. Her staff has been busy doing evaluations and helping seniors prepare their exemptions. Tax Bills will be mailed out on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Trustee Selle reported he will be attending the TOI lobby day and hopes to meet officials.

Clerk Martini reported that there will be a 6 month review of Executive Session Minutes in July and that our Attorney should be contacted first to inquire on releasing closed session minutes.

**11. AUDIENCE COMMENTS: NONE**

**12. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion by Trustee Fischer to go into executive session to review executive session minutes of March 21<sup>st</sup>. Seconded by Trustee Lippert. All in favor. Motion Carries. Board entered into executive session at 7:27 PM

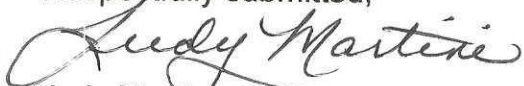
**13. A. MOTION TO RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING:** Motion by Trustee Lippert. Seconded by Trustee Fischer. All in favor. Motion Carries and the Board Meeting reconvened at 7:30 PM.

**MOTION TO APPROVE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF MARCH 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2023**

Motion by Trustee Lippert to approve minutes of March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Executive Session as amended but to keep closed. Seconded by Trustee Fischer. All in favor. Motion Carries.

**14. ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Trustee Lippert to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Fischer. All in favor. Motion Carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:32PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Judy Martini  
Grant Township Clerk