Minutes - Board of Town Trustees

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Lake County, Town of Grant,	October 19 th , Board Minute	
Grant Township Attendees:	o Administration Building at 26725	The Board of Town Trustees met at the W. Molidor Road on October 19 th , 2021
Supervisor: Trustee:	Kay Starostovic Robert Hamm Bob Selle Tom Lippert Karen Fischer	 X_ Present Absent
Clerk:	Judy Martini	x Present Absent

Ms. Kay Starostovic acting as chairperson and Judy Martini as Clerk, the following official business was transacted:

1. 2. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm with the pledge to the Flag.

3. Roll Call of Officials

Present: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert, Fischer and Supervisor Starostovic

Absent: None

Also Present: Clerk Judy Martini

4. Audience

There were no comments from the audience.

5. Approval of Minutes

Trustee Lippert made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 21, 2021 Board Meeting as presented; seconded by Trustee Fischer. There being no further discussion, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert, Fischer and Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None Motion carried

Trustee Fischer made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 14, 2021 Special Call Insurance Meeting as presented: seconded by Trustee Lippert. There being no further discussion, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert, Fischer and Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None Motion Carried

6. Approval of Bills

Trustee Selle made a motion to approve bills ending September 30th, 2021 in the amount of \$215,424.40 motion seconded by Trustee Hamm. There being no further comments, questions or discussion the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert, Fischer and Supervisor Starostovic;

Nay: None Motion carried

7. Approval of Investment Report

Trustee Selle made a motion to accept the Investment Report ending September 30th, 2021 in the amount of \$5,857,983.64; motion seconded by Trustee Lippert. There being no further discussion, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert, Fischer and Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None Motion carried

8. Miscellaneous

a. Thank you

Supervisor Starostovic reported that we had received in our packets a copy of the thank you card from resident Dianne Kory thanking the Township for the Fall Festival and also dropped off a cake at the Township.

b. Donation Presentation by Aqua Illinois Northern Area

Representatives from Aqua Illinois Northern Area, Anthony White and Kevin Curran, presented to Grant Township a check for \$1,500 and Supervisor Starostovic stated that the donation can be used for whatever the Township deems necessary. Discussion ensued that Aqua Illinois Northern Area has 24 systems in the area including the Villages of Hawthorne and Lakemoor and are always looking for projects to help support. Aqua Illinois provides water and wastewater sewer projects in over 10 states. Supervisor Starostovic commented that waste water is an important issue in the Chain O'Lakes area and all Trustees thanked Aqua for their generous donation.

9. Old Business

a. Report on Fall Festival

Supervisor Starostovic commented on the success of the Fall Festival. Discussion ensued with the Trustees who made several recommendations for next year's event.

b. Building and Grounds Report

Supervisor Starostovic praised staff for the great job they are doing on maintenance and also reported that someone stole a plant by our new sign.

c. Illinois Dept. of Natural Resource Report on Walking Path

Supervisor Starostovic reported that the application has been denied and that we are looking into the reasons why it was rejected.

d. Set Halloween Trick or Treat Hours

Supervisor Starostovic reported that Trick or Treat Hours for unincorporated Grant Township will be on Halloween Oct. 31 from 4-7:00 PM

e. Pads Shelter Operation Information

Supervisor Starostovic reported that in our packets is information that the Township has received from Pads with new adjustments for operations.

f. Discuss Future Park Projects

Supervisor Starostovic reported that there will be a meeting on November 16th at 5:00 PM to discuss future park projects.

g. Any other Old Business None

10. New Business

a. Discuss Levy for 2021-2022

Supervisor Starostovic reported that the Board will discuss and pass the Levy at our November Board Meeting and will check with our Assessor on the new growth issue.

b. Motion to Approve Participation in Community Holiday Activities

Supervisor Starostovic reported that she has met with Matt from the Village of Fox Lake to discuss area Holiday activities. Supervisor Starostovic also recommended more involvement with the Villages of Volo, Round Lake and Lakemoor in the future for special events. Motion by Trustee Selle and seconded by Trustee Lippert as presented. Discussion ensued and the vote was called.

Aye: Trustee Hamm, Selle, Lippert, Fischer and Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None Motion carried

11. Officials' Reports

Supervisor:

Supervisor Starostovic reported that we are looking into a new mobile food pantry and checking into locations where it can fit the needs of our area. Volunteers will be needed.

Supervisor Starostovic also reported on the Alone for Thanksgiving Program that will be held at Lakefront Park being orchestrated by Tanya Hill and the Village of Fox Lake. They are seeking volunteers to help with the event which is being held for those that will be alone and without a meal for Thanksgiving. Clerk Martini reported that this is the second year she has volunteered to help at the event and will be delivering the meals to those who are homebound.

Supervisor Starostovic reported that the Florence Fischer Turkey Dinner will be held this year at Marvela's on December 2nd and that the Township is taking 3 tables for the event. Those employees and officials interested in going should contact her so we can reserve tables.

Supervisor Starostovic reported that she is looking into the possibilities of an additional fund to help those who do not qualify for General Assistance. Supervisor Starostovic stated that she will continue discussions with other Townships to see how they deal with the situation and also will be contacting Township Officials of Illinois for any additional information on the subject.

Supervisor Starostovic reported that she has been contacted by Big Hollow School that they are in need of bus drivers and anyone interested please contact the school.

Supervisor Starostovic reported that the Adopt a Family Program is underway and that gift cards will be used. Last year we had 200 children in the program and each child received gift cards thru the generous donations of area residents and businesses.

Supervisor Starostovic reported that the 114th Annual Educational Conference for Township Officials will be held via Zoom this year from November 15-17th and if any Township Officials are interested in attending to fill out the form and contact her as the Township gets a reduced group registration fee.

Trustees:

Trustees Lippert and Fischer reported on what a great job our employees and Deputy Clerk Nancy Rogers are doing at the Township events and they should be praised for their outstanding jobs. Trustee Fischer brought in flowers in thank Nancy Rogers for her outstanding job at the special events.

12. Audience

No comments from the audience

13. Adjournment

There being no further business before the board, Trustee Lippert made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Selle; the vote was called, all in favor, meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Martin

Grant Township Clerk