

Minutes – Board of Town Trustees

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

March 21, 2017
Board Minutes, Final

The Board of Town Trustees met at the Grant Township Administration Building at 26725 W. Molidor Road on March 21, 2017.

Attendees:

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

Ms. Kay Starostovic acting as chairperson and Nancy Rogers as Deputy Clerk, the following official business was transacted:

1.-2. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm with the pledge to the Flag.

3. Roll Call of Officials

Present: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Ulasz, Lippert; Supervisor Starostovic;

Absent: Clerk Schau

Also present: Highway Commissioner Kiesgen

4. Audience

There were no comments from the audience.

5. Motion to Approve Minutes

The minutes of the February 2017 meeting were presented for discussion. Trustee Selle requested correction under Motion to Approve Minutes of the January 2017 showing he "abstained" as he was not present at the meeting. Deputy Clerk Rogers advised board that she corrected item d under Old Business to read "Old" and not new. Trustee Selle made a motion to accept the minutes with the corrections; motion seconded by Trustee Lippert. There being no further questions or comments the vote was called;

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Ulasz, Lippert, Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion carried

6. Motion to Approve Bills

The bills paid from February 1, 2017 to February 28, 2017 were presented to the board for discussion and approval. Trustee Selle made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$198,467.43; motion was seconded by Trustee Hamm. There being no further questions or comments the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Ulasz, Lippert, Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion carried

7. Motion to Approve Investment Report

The investment report dated February 28, 2017 was presented to the board for approval. Trustee Selle made a motion to accept the investment report in the amount of \$3,443,303.83; motion seconded by Trustee Ulasz. There being no further questions or comments, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Ulasz, Lippert; Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None
Motion carried

8. Miscellaneous

Supervisor Starostovic introduced the new maintenance man to the officials. His name is Jeff Martin. Jeff resides in Ingleside and was welcomed by the Board.

9. Old Business

a. Annual Fish Fry

- Supervisor Starostovic thanked the officials for their help and participation at the Fish Fry. There was a very good turnout. The fundraiser was more profitable than last year. Deputy Clerk reported the Kohl's Volunteer Grant program resulted in three stores participating. Everyone was pleased with the results.

b. Chamber Expo

- Supervisor Starostovic reported that all went well at the Chamber of Commerce Expo March 4th. Residents stated that Grant Township had the best handouts and decorations.

c. Economic Interest

- Supervisor Starostovic reminded officials to turn in a copy of their receipt that officials filed with Lake County. The Clerk keeps the copies on file.

d. Update on Everbreeze Park

- Trustee Lippert discussed the handout he gave to the officials on what has to be done yet to complete Everbreeze Park renovation. Highway Commissioner Kiesgen reported that she had her department work at the park the prior week. Highway Department crew did extensive clean-up around Park. Commissioner Kiesgen reported that another half day of work needs to be done. Supervisor Starostovic will let the Highway Department know when the chips will be delivered so the Highway Dept. can finish the covering before the chips can be blown in. Discussion of truck size to deliver mulch was made. Commissioner Kiesgen they were going to Hydro seed for grass. It was reported that an Eagle Scout is looking for a project and will check with him on a need for this park.

e. Update on Walking Path

- Highway Commissioner Kiesgen reported that they are shooting grade on Molidor Road and has called Com Ed regarding moving telephone poles. Highway Commissioner Kiesgen reported that she had received a \$15,000.00 Grant that will be used to clean up the north side of Fish Lake drain off of Molidor Road. Supervisor Starostovic reported that she had talked to Mayor Henley from Volo about the remaining \$75,000.00 donation committed to Grant Township. This path will go up to the Township entrance.

A statement was made that Grant High School underclassman will be using the baseball fields that the High School had built next door.

f. Any Other Old Business

- None

10. New Business

a. Set Meeting for Closing of Fiscal Year 2016-2017

- Meeting for the Closing of Fiscal Year 2016-2017 is was set for Monday, April 3, 2017 at 5:30pm in the upstairs Board room.

b. Consider Motion to Approve Agenda for Annual Town Meeting 4/11/17

- Trustee Selle made a motion to approve Agenda for the Annual Town Meeting on 4/11/17 at 7:00pm in the lower Board Room, seconded by Trustee Lippert. There being no further questions or comments, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Ulasz, Lippert; Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion carried

c. Discuss IMRF Resolution

- Supervisor Starostovic stated that a resolution regarding IMRF required hours for officials need to be submitted by September 1, 2017. Supervisor Starostovic and Highway Commissioner Kiesgen would be listed on the same resolution showing 600 hours per year are required for IMRF benefits. Assessor Barr would be on a separate resolution showing 1000 hours per year required for IMRF benefits. Trustee Selle reported that he recently read a report on pensions.

d. Consider Motion to Approve Bank Depositories –BMO, PNC & State Bank of the Lakes

- Supervisor Starostovic advised the Board that every year it is required to have a Motion to approve of the use of the named banks.

Trustee Hamm made a motion to continue to use BMO, PNC & State Bank of the Lakes as Grant Township Depositories, seconded by Trustee Ulasz. There being no further questions or comments, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Ulasz, Lippert: Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

e. Set Budget Meeting for 2017-2018

- A preliminary budget meeting was set for 6:30pm on April 18th before the Regular Board Meeting.

f. Consider Motion to Hire Bus Driver Jim Mildner

- Supervisor Starostovic reported to the Board the need to hire an additional bus driver for the transportation department due to an employee who has gone to another job. Trustee Selle had asked if drivers get drug testing and physicals. Supervisor Starostovic reported that this is a requirement and that Mr. Mildner had completed these requirements. Trustee Selle inquired if there was a trade in option on old vehicles. It was not known. Supervisor Starostovic explained other transportation options that are available throughout the county.

Trustee Selle made a motion to hire Bus Driver Jim Mildner, seconded by Trustee Hamm.

There being no further questions or comments, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Ulasz, Lippert: Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

g. Any Other New Business

- None

11. Officials' Reports

- Supervisor

- Supervisor Starostovic reported that she received a request for permission to use Drones on the football field. Supervisor Starostovic had checked with the Township insurance carrier regarding the liability. Trustee Lippert stated that if you let one party use a drone we would be opening the door to other parties using them on the fields and that could be dangerous. Trustee Selle stated that we should see what other parks do and maybe talk about this subject at a later date.

-Supervisor Starostovic asked the Board if they have any ideas for new programs that they would like to see at Grant Township

- Supervisor Starostovic reported on her volunteer day for Meals On Wheels. She enjoyed participating. She stated that by getting in the house they could see how the residents are able to care for themselves.

Supervisor Starostovic read different House Bills that are coming up.

- Highway Commissioner

- Commissioner Kiesgen thanked the Board for the Get Well Basket from the township for Jack. She reported that he is doing well.

- Commissioner Kiesgen reported that she went out for bid for next years' road salt and that contract was renewed for the same price as this years.'

-The Highway Department has begun their spring clean-up. They experienced a lot of wind damage this past week.

-Commissioner Kiesgen gave update on the Fish Lake Road and stated that the Highway Department does not have the funds for repair right now.

- Commissioner Kiesgen reported the status of the Nippersink and Wilson stop lights.

- Commissioner Kiesgen reported that the Appraisal Company came by Highway Department and were pleased with their inventory.

- Trustees

- Trustee Hamm – None

- Trustee Selle – was glad to see ex-trustee Bill Brumback at the Fish Fry. He also stated information regarding the CDL license that is now required.

- Trustee Ulasz – None

- Trustee Lippert – Congratulated everyone on the success of the Fish Fry. He had to attend a Lions Club Convention in Itasca. The Lions Club had honored Diane Brumback for her past service on the Fox Lake Lions Club.

- Clerk

- Deputy Clerk Rogers thanked the board and all the volunteers that helped make the Annual Fish Fry a success. All the figures are not in yet but already know that funds are higher than last year. The Fish Fry was a wonderful community event.

Supervisor Starostovic reported that she had received calls inquiring if the Township would be putting in a playground at Mattalina Street. Highway Commissioner Kiesgen stated that there are no plans at this time.

12. Audience

Resident Mardi Scheske stated that it was a good Fish Fry event.

13. Adjournment

Trustee Hamm made a motion to adjourn the board meeting; motion seconded by Trustee Lippert. There being no further discussion, the vote was called by voice vote; all in favor and the meeting was closed at 8:03pm.

Respectfully submitted,

— Nancy Rogers
Grant Township Deputy Clerk