Minutes - Board of Town Trustees

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

Attendees:

November 15, 2018 Board Minutes, Final

The Board of Town Trustees met at the Grant Township Administration Building at 26725 W. Molidor Road on November 15, 2018.

Supervisor: Kay Starostovic Present x_ Absent Trustee: Robert Hamm Present Absent Bob Selle x Present Absent Carol Ulasy Present Absent Tom Lippert Present Absent Clerk: Barbara Schau x Present **Absent**

Trustee Robert Selle acting 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 7:00pm with the pledge to the Flag.

3. Roll Call of Officials

Present: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert; Clerk Schau

Absent: Supervisor Starostovic, Trustee Ulasy

4. Audience

Mr. Frank Malizia was present; he is a Communication Coordinator for the Fox Lake Library and was present to determine how the Library can benefit the Township and vice versa.

5. Motion to Approve Minutes

Trustee Lippert made a motion to approve the minutes from the October Grant Township Board Meeting; motion seconded by Trustee Selle. There being no further discussion, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert;

Nay: None Motion carried

6. Motion to Approve Bills

Trustee Selle made a motion to accept the bills as presented in the amount of \$335,674.31; motion seconded by Trustee Hamm. Trustee Lippert asked for clarification on the amount of some of the bills; it was explained that these unusual amounts were a result of the path work that is under construction. There being no further discussion, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert;

Nay: None Motion carried

7. Motion to Approve Investment Report

Trustee Lippert made a motion to approve the Investment Report dated October 31, 2018 in the amount of \$5,077,809.16 as presented; motion seconded by Trustee Selle. There being no further discussion, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm Selle, Lippert;

Nay: None Motion carried

8. Miscellaneous

There were no miscellaneous comments.

9. Old Business

a. Update on Florence Fischer Dinner

This annual event will be held on November 29th and Grant Township has one seat available; please let Supervisor Starostovic know if there is someone who will attend to fill the last seat.

b. Volunteers for the Fox Lake Parade

Please let Supervisor Starostovic know if you will be available to be in the parade.

c. TOI Conference Report

This was deferred to Officials' reports

d. Report on Walking/Bike Path

In Highway Commissioners absence, the trustees commented on the progress that has been made in the past few weeks. Work is now in front of the Township building, grading has begun, and the project continues to move along.

e. Consider Motions:

- Approve the 2019 Holiday Calendar

Trustee Hamm made a motion to approve the 2019 Holiday Calendar as presented; motion seconded by Trustee Selle. There being no further discussion, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert;

Nay None

Motion carried

- Approve the 2019 Board Meeting Calendar

Trustee Selle made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Calendar as presented; motion seconded by Trustee Hamm. There being no further discussion, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert;

Nay: None Motion carried

-Approve the 2018 Town Tax Levy and the 2018 Highway Tax Levy

The decision was made to freeze the Levy with adjustments. Discussion was deferred until the December meeting.

f. Any Other Old Business

None

10. New Business

a. Consider Motions

-Approve the 2018 Employee Gift Card and Luncheon

The Holiday Lunch will be December 21, 2018 at Dockers, beginning at 11:30. All are invited, and please let Supervisor Starostovic know if you are attending. Additionally, the Township would like to give employees a \$50 gift card from Jewel Stores. Everyone agreed to the Luncheon and gift cards. To this end, Trustee Lippert made a motion to approve the luncheon and employee gifts; motion seconded by Trustee Selle. There was no further discussion and the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert;

Nay: None Motion carried

-Approve Agreement Between the County of Lake and the Township of Grant for the Provision of Paratransit Transportation Service Funding

Everyone agreed to this important service. Trustee Lippert made a motion to approve the Paratransit Transportation Service; motion seconded by Trustee Hamm. There being no further discussion, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert;

Nay: None Motion carried

-Approve a Resolution approving and authorizing the Submittal of an Application for a Community Block Grant

After review of the Resolution, Trustee Selle made a motion to approve the Application; motion seconded by Trustee Hamm. There being no further discussion, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Hamm, Selle, Lippert;

Nay: None Motion carried

11. Officials' Reports

Trustee Lippert:

Thought the annual conference was very good. There was plenty of opportunity to network with other Township Officials throughout the state. The seminars were well-attended and there was plenty from which to choose. Of particular interest was the session on Intergovernmental Agreements. The dinner was good, too.

Clerk Schau:

Expressed how proud she was of our Agendas and Board Minutes. Samples of these from other townships were shared and without a doubt, ours look and read quite professional. Also important was the frequent discussions throughout all TOI participants regarding the new law of attesting signatures. It was clear that there is no single solution to this issue. Some feel an omnibus approach would suffice; others feel individual attesting is the way to go. Clearly this issue will continue to be discussed throughout TOI, with, hopefully, a single resolution. We discussed annual updates to FOIA and OMA requests. We will be receiving updated information and links that will be useful to keep current.

Trustee Selle:

Summarized the event as very valuable. There were terrific networking opportunities, and the breakout sessions were well attended. Also, Trustee Selle noted that one of the most attended sessions was the Cannabis! Session, and the participation in the discussion of legal Cannibis in Illinois. Like most topics, it is full of pros and cons.

Trustee Hamm:

Trustee Hamm thought the event was well attended, the breakout sessions were good, and like the opportunity to meet with other officials.

On another topic, Trustee Hamm complimented Ralph Schultz, the Township transportation coordinator, and his drivers, and the terrific service they provide. Trustee Hamm had a resident tell him how polite and pleasant the drivers are. The resident is very appreciative of this service to the community.

12. Audience

Nancy Rogers reported on a meeting that was held at the Grant Township Community Room, and which she attended. The initiative was to begin an important conversation on access to healthcare and informing those in need about the Norther Lake County Healthcare Foundation. Members of the Township Community came together to begin to identify problems and issues, local needs, funding, and what can we, as a community contribute to this growing need. This discussion will hopefully continue and grow, and develop actionable solutions.

13. Adjournent

Trustee Hamm made a motion to adjourn the meeting, at 8:10, seconded by Trustee Lippert. The vote was called, all in favor, none opposed and the meeting was closed.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara L. Schau Grant Township Clerk