

Minutes – Board of Town Trustees

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

October 16, 2018
Board Minutes, Final

The Board of Town Trustees met at the Grant Township Administration Building at 26725 W. Molidor Road on, October 16, 2018.

Attendees:

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

Ms. Kay Starostovic 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 Selle, Lippert; Supervisor Starostovic

Absent: Trustees Hamm, Ulasz

Also present: Highway Commissioner Kiesgen

4. Audience

There were no comments from the audience.

5. Motion to Approve Minutes

Trustee Selle made a motion to approve the September 18, 2018 minutes as presented, with the change of an abbreviation to the complete spelled work. Trustee Lippert seconded the motion. There were no further questions or comments and the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Selle, Lippert; Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion carried

6. Motion to Approve Bills

Trustee Selle made a motion to approve the bills dated September 30, 2018 in the amount of \$317,629.64; motion seconded by Trustee Lippert. There being no further discussion or comments, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Selle, Lippert; Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion carried

7. Motion to Approve Investment Report

Trustee Lippert made a motion to accept the Investment Report dated September 30, 2018 in the amount of \$5,354,408.81 as presented; motion seconded by Trustee Selle. There being no further comments or questions, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Selle, Lippert; Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion carried

8. Miscellaneous

None

9. Old Business

a. Reports

* **Administration Building:** everything is running quite well

* **Generator Project:** The test was run and all performed as expected. It is ready to go when we may need it.

* **Fall Festival:** The weather did not cooperate for the weekend festivities. Unfortunately, the rainfall throughout the week was significant enough to create standing water in areas in the park, making the grounds very wet and slippery. Regrettably, the Township, Village, Fire Department and Highway Department all agreed the most prudent decision would be to cancel the event. Going forward, we will develop a Plan B should cancellation arise in the future.

* **Field 4 Backstop:** The backstop has been installed. Supervisor reported that the chainlink has a few kinks/dents and will have the installer look at it for a solution.

* **Field 1 Sprinkler System:** the new system is working well

* **Walking/Bike Path:** The walk to school path is complete; the remaining path is approximately 90% complete and is expected to go quickly. There was a discussion about adding curbing to the project. The proximity to the street may require this addition. All agreed there were pros and cons to this addition and would give it further consideration and discussion at the next meeting. Supervisor asked for cost estimates. Highway Commissioner Kiesgen has filed for a permit to lower the speed limit on Molidor Rd. There was additional discussion about the loss of trees with this project. There will most likely be a few more losses. However, Commissioner Kiesgen pointed out that there will be repairs to the land and new landscaping.

* **Shelter For ADA Playground:** Commissioner Kiesgen reported that the pad for the shelter will be complete before the end of the construction season. With the pad in place, the shelter can be constructed while weather permits. The shelter arrived in good condition, except for some painting on the copula, which will certainly be repaired.

* **Fox Lake Crossing:** It appears that the property formerly known as "Dominicks", in Fox Lake Crossing, will be developed into an inside storage facility and a smaller outside storage facility. There was discussion about this being blighted property whether this can be a success in the area. Also discussed were impact fees as this may relate to this property. Finally, there was concern expressed regarding the drainage in the area, the storm sewers, and the difficulty of the terrain in the area.

b. TOI Conference Update (Banquet and Breakfast)

The dinner is Monday evening, and the breakfast Tuesday morning. Please let Nancy know which events you plan to attend.

c. Donation to TOI Conference

The donation cannot come from the Township, therefore, each official owes \$15 to cover the cost.

d. Any Other Old Business

None

10. New Business

a. Attendance at the Florence Fischer Dinner

This event is always held the last Thursday in November; please let Nancy know if you plan to attend in order to make reservations.

b. News Articles Needed

If you have something to share with the community, please let us know so it can be added to the next newsletter. We would usually be showcasing the Fall Festival event, so there is plenty of room for topics.

c. Motion to Approve Participation in Village of Fox Lake Holiday Parade

Trustee Lippert made a motion for Grant Township to participate in this annual event; motion seconded by Trustee Selle. There being no further discussion, the vote was called:

Aye: Trustees Selle, Lippert; Supervisor Starostovic

Nay: None

Motion carried

d. Discuss Levy

We will need to begin work on the 2019 Levy. We can discuss ideas in at the November meeting and consider several options.

e. 2019 Calendar

The clerk prepared the meeting calendar for 2019, however there is a mistake. We cannot meet on Tuesday Nov. 12 as presented because that conflicts with the TOI conference. It was agreed by the board members to move the meeting to Thursday, November 14th. This change from the third week to the second week of November is to reduce conflict with the Thanksgiving holiday.

f. Public Act 100-0983; Clerk Attest to Signature of Supervisor On All Checks

This act goes into effect January 1, 2019. The clerk is required to 'attest' to the supervisor's signature on every check. Since this was sent to the Townships, there appears to be different interpretations of what the Public Act requires. This act goes into effect January 1, 2019. It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting, following the TOI conference, hoping to have some input from the attorneys and TOI officials.

g. Any Other New Business

None

11. Officials' Reports

Supervisor

Covered topics under old and new business.

Highway Commissioner

Nothing to report.

Trustee Selle

Discussed the Highway Consolidation issue in McHenry.

Trustee Lippert

Thanked all who worked so hard for the Fall Festival; everyone contributed 100%.

Clerk

Passed out Township shirts to the officials. These are intended to be worn at events to identify us as Township employees and Officials.

12. Audience

There were no comments from the audience.

13. Adjournment

Trustee Lippert made a motion to adjourn; motion seconded by Trustee Selle. There being no further discussion or comments, the vote was called by voice vote, all in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara L. Schau
Grant Township Clerk