Minutes – Board of Town Trustees

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

OCTOBER 20, 2026
Board of Trustee's Meeting-Final

The board of town trustees met at the Grant Township Administration Building at 26725 W. Molidor Road on October 20, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Attendees:

Supervisor:	Nancy Rogers	_x_ Present	___ Absent
Trustee:	Robert Hamm	_x_ Present	___Absent
	Bob Selle	___ Present	_x_ Absent
	Sharon Burr	_x_ Present	___ Absent
	Elisa Brooks	_x_ Present	___ Absent
Clerk:	Judy Martini	_x_ Present	___ Absent

Nancy Rogers 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 6:00 pm with the Pledge to the Flag.

3. Roll Call of Officials
Present: Trustees Hamm, Burr, Brooks and Supervisor Rogers
Absent: Trustee Selle who was listening remotely on phone
Also Present: Highway Commissioner Jim Smak

4. Audience
No comments from the audience

5. Approval of Minutes
A) Motion was made by Trustee Burr, seconded by Trustee Hamm to accept the minutes from Sept. 15, 2026 Board of Trustees Meeting as presented. There was no further discussion the vote was called:
Aye: Trustee's Hamm, Burr, and Supervisor Rogers;
Nay: None
Abstain: Trustee Brooks (Absent from Sept. 15, 2026 Board Meeting)
Motion Carried

B) Motion was made by Trustee Burr, seconded by Trustee Hamm to accept the minutes from Sept. 15, 2026 Executive Session but to keep closed. There being no further discussion the vote was called:
Aye: Trustee's Hamm, Burr, and Supervisor Rogers
Nay: None
Abstain: Trustee Brooks (Absent from Sept. 15, 2026 Board of Trustee's Meeting)
Motion Carried

6. Approval of Bills
A motion was made by Trustee Brooks and seconded by Trustee Burr to accept the bills as presented, for the month of September in the amount of $837,338.09. There being no further discussion, the vote was called:
Aye: Trustee's Hamm, Burr, Brooks and Supervisor Rogers
Nay: None
Motion Carried

7. Approval of Investment Report
A motion was made by Trustee Brooks, seconded by Trustee Burr to approve the Investment Report for month of September in the amount of $ 5,636,434.46. There being no further discussion the vote was called:
Aye: Trustee's Hamm, Burr, Brooks and Supervisor Rogers
Nay: None
Motion Carried

8. Miscellaneous There was no miscellaneous business to discuss

9. Old Business
a. Update on Building, Parks & Grant Improvements
Supervisor Rogers reported that staff is doing a fantastic job keeping up with mowing and fertilizing and the park looks great. It has been a longer season of mowing because of the warm weather and rain.

b. Fall Festival
Supervisor Rogers reported that attendance was great for Fall Fest and that the township has received a lot of positive comments on how wonderful our new park is. The weather was beautiful and the Highway Department did a great job decorating this year.

c. Dog n-Suds Fundraiser
Supervisor Rogers reported that 10% of the sales from Dog n-Suds the day of fundraiser were donated to the Township. The Dog n-Suds brought 2 boxes of food that was donated to their September Food Drive.

d. TOI Conference-Parade of Flags
Supervisor Rogers reported that Trustee Selle will be presenting our Township Flag at the conference. Several of the Trustees along with herself will be attending the conference.

e. Any Other Old Business- There was none

10. New Business
a. General Assistance Payment Level for year 2027
Supervisor Rogers reported that the Township follows the IDHS guidelines and that the General Assistance case payments level will be increased from the $455 currently to $470.

b. Trunk or Treat-Gavin School
Supervisor Rogers reported that this will be the first year for the Township to attend the Trunk or Treat Event at Gavin School.

c. Set Tax Levy Meeting for 2026-2027
Supervisor Rogers reported that we will not be having a special meeting to set the levy but will have a motion at the November 17 Board of Trustee's Meeting for approval. The Township and the Highway Department have several maintenance projects that need to be addressed.

d. Adopt-A-Family Program
Supervisor Rogers reported that starting Nov. 5th the Township will start accepting applications for Holiday Meals for Christmas and Adopt a Family. Clerk Martini asked if it was possible to have an adopt a senior program and was informed to contact Lakeland, Lilac and Thomas Place to see if there is an interest of those who need help.

e. Any Other New Business
Supervisor Rogers reported on the Senior Resource Fair which the Township had a booth at on Oct.15th at Lake Front Park. The event was well attended.

11. Consider Motions
a. Discuss & Approve Annual Audit Financial Report for fiscal year ending March 31, 2026.
Motion by Trustee Burr to approve. Seconded by Trustee Brooks There being no further comments or questions the vote was called.
Ayes: Trustee's Hamm, Burr, Brooks and Supervisor Rogers
Nays: None
Motion Carried

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b. Discuss & Approve Participation in Area Holiday Activities
Motion by Trustee Brooks to approve. Seconded by Trustee Hamm. There being no further comments or questions the vote was called.
Ayes: Trustee's Hamm, Burr, Brooks and Supervisor Rogers
Nay: None Motion Carried

12. Officials Reports

Supervisor Rogers recently received a letter praising Shawn Oakley from the Township Assessor Office on his kindness and professionalism. She has received numerous comments from residents how grateful they are for their help and that our employees go up and beyond.

Highway Department Commissioner Jim Smak reported that his staff has been busy getting things done before the weather turns. During the Shred event he had 17 pallets of electronics that were picked up to be recycled. He stated we had a very good turn out and people were happy that we were doing the event to include electronics. We had more flags turned over to be retired at this event as well as more glasses. It was brought up that maybe at the next event we could have a prescription drug disposal program. Commissioner Smak also commented on that he is meeting with an electrician about the well house and that he is trying to get electrical upgraded. There is more drainage work to be done over by the pickle ball courts.

Commissioner Smak related his sadness on the recent passing of Pete Jakstas Jr, who had dedicated 14 years to the Highway Department helping plow in the winter months. He will be greatly missed at the Highway Department.

Clerk Martini reported that early voting has started at the Township and that turnout has been good. Early voting will continue at the Township until Oct. 31, then open up again on Election Day November 3rd. There are several sites that will have extended hours with the closest one being the Round Lake Beach Village Hall on Municipal Way opened Oct 26 thru Nov. 2nd with Sunday hours on Nov 1st from 9-4.

12. Audience
Resident Willie Katoch stated there is a new group of local resident children that want to have dedicated time slots to play on our ball fields. It was the general consensus of Trustees and Supervisor to have a meeting with the group to discuss the issue more with the organizers.

14. Executive Session- There was no executive session.

15. Possible Action from Executive Session- There was none

16. Adjournment
There being no further business, Trustee Hamm made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Burr. All in favor and the meeting was closed at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Martini
Grant Township Clerk