

# **Grant Township Board**

## **Meeting Minutes**

**October 7, 2019**

### **Opening**

The regular meeting of the Grant Township Board was called to order on October 7, 2019 at 7:00 PM by Stanley VanSingel, Supervisor, opening with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance

### **Present**

Stanley VanSingel, Gladys VeltKamp, Edith Elsenheimer, Janet Lesley and Max Mellon

### **Approval of Agenda/Minutes**

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda and Minutes from the September 9<sup>th</sup> meeting was made by Janet Lesley, seconded by Max Mellon. All were in favor and the motion passed.

### **Zoning**

Kim provided an update on current permits issued, Planning meeting updates and upcoming hearings that will take place in October and November.

Additional letters regarding junk have been sent out to property owners but at this time, not much progress has been seen. Kim will be following up again with property owners.

The next Planning Commission meeting will be held on October 17<sup>th</sup> where the board will continue to working on Ordinance updates.

The Zoning board will be conducting a hearing for the Hiler garage addition on October 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **Fire Report**

Max provided an overview from his recent MTA training held in Frankenmuth. While networking with other townships he found common struggles regarding new laws and EMS report updating which needs to be completed on line. Many smaller townships do not have internet and are unable to meet this requirement.

Most townships are billing to energy services, insurance companies and drivers in at-fault accidents for man hours spent. The standard price is \$500 per occurrence which does help offset expenses.

The State Fire Marshall states that recruiting is needed as volunteers are at an all time low for this needed service.

## **Planning/ Zoning Boards**

Report provided by Kim Martens.

### **Old Business**

- Work on resurfacing/overlay on Willow is still behind schedule due to the strike. The Road commission is hoping for completion before the end of November.

### **New Business**

- Visitor – Michelle Marciniak from Circles of Newaygo County.
  - The program has been changed from 18 mos. to 12 mos. with 3 phases to the journey. There are many volunteer opportunities working with individuals, providing childcare or meals for participants as well as assisting with training.
  - Participants must show accountability and adhere to the attendance policy
- The next meeting will be held Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm
- This meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm

**Minutes submitted by:** Gladys VeltKamp, Clerk