

APPROVED WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
June 22, 2015

Board Members Present by Roll Call: Stormont, Bray, Hart, Lesinski, Zenz and Loveland. Absent: Brennan.

Also Present: Assessor DeBoe and Zoning Administrator Lammers

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Stormont at 8:40 am.

Updates by Assessor DeBoe - DeBoe has MACO certification and has no intention of going any higher. That status is at a sufficient level for assessing Grass Lake Charter Township with room for growth. Jackson County will be reassessed in 2016 with the states new AMAR system, this replaces the 14 point review. DeBoe passed out an article from the MTA NEWS that has some good reading material related to assessing. The state is also redefining the Veterans Exemption. The state has increased the continuing education hours necessary for the assessor's, by 2018 the required hours will be 24. Stormont wants to do the 90 day review for A Fletcher. DeBoe's Personal Property Certification is due this year, she will be doing an online class for this. Fletcher will be doing a class this fall to receive her MCAT Certification.

Recreation Plan - Grass Lake Schools passed the resolution necessary from them in order to continue with the plan. The Township will have the final resolution on their July agenda in order to finalize the plan.

Sewer Issues - Stormont discussed possibility of changing existing ordinance in order for customers being responsible for paying for pump replacement when necessary. Also possibly looking into the Grass Lake Village maintaining the Common Fund line in Grass Lake Charter Township. The Wolf Lake Road and Rexford Road lift stations are in bad need of repairs..somewhere in the sum of \$300,000.00. Working with Umbaugh Associates to come up with ideas on how to finance the lift stations and pump replacements without having to raise rates.

Planning Commission - Stormont expressed concern with member Elliott not attending the meetings or not being available for contact. He will continue to attempt contact with him and see what his desires are. The by-laws of the commission need to be followed.

Shared Police Service - Bray would like to see the presence of police in the area thus pursuing the idea of shared services with Grass Lake Village. Bray will contact Captain Bisard for availability of attending the July 28 work session. Lesinski wondered if there is any service the village is currently doing that we could help out with?

Lesinski added that the final site plan review for FaHoLo was approved with contingencies at the Planning Commission Meeting on June 18, 2015, also all zoning ordinance changes they have been working on were approved at their level. Lesinski and Lammers will be working on the wood burning issue. Lesinski was very impressed with the progress that took place at the meeting.

Zenz reported on the Post Election Audit. Clerk and Deputy will be attending Clerks Summer Conference at Mackinaw Island this week. Zenz also would like board to be thinking about how long term the Sports Park will be maintained.

DeBoe also asked how the \$200.00 fine imposed on late PTA filings can be collected. She will look into how other Townships are collecting the fine. Zenz will research when the board put this into action to see if there was any verbiage then.

Loveland would like to know the cost and reason for resurfacing sections on Norvell Road that was done in the past week. Stormont will check into this.

Zenz made motion to adjourn meeting at 9:45, supported by Hart. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Zenz