

August 1, 2017 Minutes of the Grant Township Board Meeting

Members present: Schmidt, Wagner, Brooks, Aebig

Members absent: Heck

Audience present: G. Means, D. Price, C. Cudney, T. Briggs, R. Brooks, T. Hasper, L. Kroll, M. Dawson, and P. Dawson

The pledge was made to the flag. The minutes of the last regular meeting on June 27, 2017 and the minutes of the special meeting on July 13, 2017 were presented to the public. A motion was made by Aebig and supported by Brooks to accept the minutes of the last regular meeting with a minor correction of the Rescue and Firemen training operations, and the minutes of the special meeting as presented. All members voted "aye". The motion carried 4-0. The treasurer's report was presented by the clerk. A motion was made by Wagner to approve the treasurer's report.

Mr. Tom Hasper presented the Police report: There was the normal activity.

Roland Brooks presented the Fire Department report: There were several incidents of activity problems at the Electric Forest Festival. Extra equipment had to be employed. There was some discussion of the new fire truck that soon will be ready for operations.

Mr. Jim Aebig presented the Zoning Enforcement report: He had visited some problem areas.

Joan Brooks presented the Planning Commission report: The Planning Commission had held a public hearing on the special use permit application by OTR Waste and Hauling, Chad and Kayli Bono, owners/operators, and James Sweeney, property owner, to set up a staging and storage yard for OTR tubs at the corner of Roosevelt Road and Oceana Drive. Public comments were received and the matter was tabled as the Planning Commission has to hold a public hearing (August 28, 2017) about allowing transfer stations/recycling centers by special use permit in commercial zones. The Planning Commission also talked with Mr. Ray Gundy about problems with the buildup of vehicles at his garage on Oceana Drive. The possible ORV ordinance was studied and a public hearing will be held on the matter on Aug. 28, 2017. The Planning Commission will also look at a possible temporary camping ordinance at a future meeting.

There was a contentious discussion by audience members about dumpster issue and transferring of materials between dumpsters.

The 2017-18 budget for the General Fund, Fire and Rescue Fund, Road Construction Fund, and Maintenance Fund and Budget Fund was presented. A motion was made by Aebig and supported by Brooks to approve the 2017-18 budgets for Grant Township as presented. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Brooks: aye Aebig: aye Wagner: aye Schmidt: aye The motion carried 4-0.

Tax Levy 2017-18: A motion was made by Wagner and supported by Brooks to levy 4.2396 mills on \$70,303,144 taxable value for Grant Township. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Schmidt: aye Wagner: aye Brooks: aye Aebig: aye The motion carried 4-0.

Limits for the Zoning Enforcement Officer: A motion was made by Schmidt and supported by Wagner to limit the Zoning Enforcement Officer to twenty (20) hours per week and be paid \$20.00 per hour. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Brooks: aye Wagner: aye Schmidt: aye Aebig: abstain The motion carried 3-0 with 1 abstain.

Web Site Construction: A motion was made by Brooks and supported by Aebig to hire Deerpath Web Design to build a website for the township. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Brooks: aye Wagner: aye Aebig: aye Schmidt: aye. The motion carried 4-0.

There was a letter sent to the supervisor about the poor appearance of the Oak Grove Cemetery. The letter presented the writer's opinion.

Bills were presented. A motion was made by Brooks and supported by Aebig to allow the bills and for orders to be drawn. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Aebig: aye Brooks: aye Wagner: aye Schmidt: aye The motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Cliff Cudney, along with some other people, discussed the road situation during the Electric Forest Festival.

A motion was made by Brooks and supported by Aebig to adjourn the meeting. All members voted "aye". The motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

William H. Wagner, Clerk
Grant Township Board

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Cc: Roger Schmidt, Bill Wagner, Joanne Heck, Joan Brooks, Jim Aebig, Roland Brooks, Lynn Kroll