

GRAND RAPIDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

March 13, 2017

The Grand Rapids Township Trustees met at 7:00 P.M. in the Grand Rapids Fire Hall. Roll call was answered by Rita Foos and Tracy Punches. There were seven guests present.

Tracy Punches moved to approve the minutes and dispense with reading the minutes of the previous meeting as copies were made available to guests. 2nd by Rita Foos. Roll Call YES: Rita Foos and Tracy Punches. Motion carried.

Bills in the amount of \$44,903.10 were presented for approval by the Fiscal Officer. Tracy Punches moved to pay all bills as presented. 2nd by Rita Foos. Roll Call YES: Rita Foos and Tracy Punches. Motion carried.

Richard Keifer reported fire runs 23-27.

Gary Haas mentioned that there is a sink hole by one of the catch basins on Weston Road. Gary to get estimates for repair, Rita foos is going to contact Washington Township for their portion of the repair. Gary also mentioned that a swale on Lionel Longs' property is being filled in due to the land being farmed to close to the swale. Rita Foos to contact Lionel Long.

Rita Foos suggested that the township send a letter to the Wood County Park District informing them that they need to remove dead trees from their property and that if they don't they will be charged by the township for the clean up if the trees fall in the roadway.

Tracy Punches addressed Shawn Toth and informed him that the county suggested that the township remove the rest of the tree and the stump in his yard. Shawn Toth said that he disagreed with the decision. He also claimed that the tree is farther than 15 feet from the center of the road and is not in the right of way. He claimed that he does not want the tree down and he will get a lawyer to keep the tree. Tracy Punches mentioned that when the township had the right of way marked by the county the tree was in the right of way and it is the townships responsibility to maintain the right of way. Tracy also advised him to go ahead and get a lawyer but the township is going to move forward with removing the tree and stump. Shawn Toth said that he is going to get a lawyer and that if anyone enters his property without his permission they will see a gun and that is his right. He then left the meeting. Tracy Punches to contact Linda Holmes of the Wood County Presecutors office.

The meeting was adjourned.

Trustees

Fiscal Officer

