

GRAND RAPIDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

July 23, 2018

The Grand Rapids Township Trustees met at 7:00 A.M. in the Grand Rapids Township Fire Hall. David Chamberlain, Ike Topp and Rita Foos answered roll call. There were four guests present.

Rita Foos moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes, as copies were made available to guests. 2nd by Ike Topp. Roll Call YES: Ike Topp, David Chamberlain and Rita Foos. Motion carried.

The Fiscal Officer presented bills in the amount of \$14,178.75 for approval. Rita Foos moved to pay all bills as presented. 2nd by David Chamberlain. Roll Call YES: David Chamberlain, Ike Topp and Rita Foos. Motion carried.

Rita Foos said that she was informed by Thomas Hall that people are digging a pond on Poe Road and that they may want to build buildings on their respective properties close together and that they may need to apply for variances.

Rita Foos mentioned that the crack sealing on Milton road has been completed and that she thought Premier Patching did a good job.

Rita Foos asked the board if anyone had heard back from the Zoning Commission. Nobody had heard back from them. Rita mentioned that she spoke with Linda Holmes and was informed by her that if the Board gives specific items to the Zoning Boards to review or address they have forty days to hold a meeting.

Rita Foos mentioned that she has received a lot of compliments on the job that Tim Van Dusen is doing for the township. Rita Foos moved to remove Tim Van Dusen from his probation period and to increase his pay by \$.50 an hour. 2nd by Ike Topp. Roll Call YES: Ike Topp, David Chamberlain and Rita Foos. Motion carried.

Ike Topp informed the board that foundations are going to be installed in the cemetery soon.

David Chamberlain attended the Wood County Township Association meeting and said that the Association had decided at the meeting to start charging the County \$100 an hour to mow county roads.

Rita Foos asked for and was given permission for George Foos to drive the dump truck and plow to park it for the Arts Council so people can see the artwork on the plow. George does have a CDL.

There was a discussion on the fire truck levy proposed by Chief Flora at the last meeting. Rita Foos said that she feels the board was not given enough time to make a decision. She also said that she would like to know how much is spent on maintenance in the fire department and that she would like to see one of the trustees be on the truck committee. Rita also asked if we could possibly share a truck with another department since we are replacing the tanker truck. Bob Clark spoke and said that we are not replacing the tanker truck and that we would be getting the new truck as a first out truck. Ike Topp agreed that the board needs more time to make a decision and that he didn't think it is the right time to put a new truck on the ballot. David Chamberlain stated that the township needs to separate wants and needs and doesn't think that we can support this purchase at this time. Richard Keifer said you may feel different if your house was on fire. Rita Foos said that if and when we put a fire truck levy on the ballot we should have a public meeting to discuss.

The meeting was adjourned.

Trustees

Fiscal Officer

