

GRAND RAPIDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

September 9, 2019

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

Rita Foos moved to approve and dispense with the reading of the minutes, as copies were 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 \$50,518.49 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.

Fire Chief Eric Flora reported 16 fire runs by the department. Chief Flora also requested permission to purchase a Genesis cutter with battery for \$10,780 along with a 21"-36" ram for \$8,550 and accessories for a grand total of \$21,023. Chief Flora explained the benefits of the requested equipment and informed the Board that the department has trained with this equipment and is very comfortable with it. Chief Flore also mentioned that the combination tool we have will not cut through some of the steel that is now in vehicles. Ike Topp asked if this equipment would speed up extraction time. Chief Flora said it would significantly speed up extraction time because it is smaller and easier to use. Rita Foos moved to approve the purchase of the requested equipment for \$21,780. 2nd by Ike Topp. Roll Call YES: Ike Topp, David Chamberlain and Rita Foos. Motion carried.

After reviewing the Official Certificate of Estimated Resources, Rita Foos moved to approve the Official Certificate of Estimated Resources and submit it to the County. 2nd by David Chamberlain. Roll Call YES: David Chamberlain, Ike Topp and Rita Foos. Motion carried.

There was a discussion on the zoning resolution proposed by the Zoning Commission. David Chamberlain thought that they should consider changing the side and back lot setbacks, which he thought where excessive. Rita Foos relayed concerns she received from Board of Appeals member Robert Clark. Robert Clark requested that there be some clarification in the appeals process, have a map attached to the resolution and requested that the list of fees be removed from the resolution so they could be changed without revising the resolution.

Rita Foos reported that Joe Schroeder told her that the insurance company is not going to cover any damages to the dump truck. David Chamberlain said he would like to have Joe Schroeder attend the next meeting to explain.

Rita Foos brought up the fact that the tires on the tractor are worn and we should consider replacing them. Former trustee Les Heyman spoke and explained that the tractor is a valuable piece of equipment for removing snow from intersections. Rita Foos to get estimates.

The meeting was adjourned.

Trustees

Fiscal Officer

