

## Grant Township Regular Meeting

April 1, 2024

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:00pm by T. Torrey

### ROLL CALL:

Present – T. Torrey, L. Hayes, V. Jennett

Excused Absent: A. Burgess, J. Emry

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion was made by T. Torrey and seconded by L. Hayes – all in favor

COUNTY COMMISSIONER: C. Finley was present and shares a few updates that are happening within the county. The Governor's office is looking to pass a bill that would strip away the local government ability to determine if various land usages could be changed within the local government jurisdiction.

Example: Wind Mills / Solar Panels. With this change it will then go through the State level to make these determinations on land usage. He also shared that there are grants available through the My Hope Grant program. If you know of anyone that could use assistance on home improvements like, furnace, windows, roof, etc. Please have them reach out to Kathleen Murphy at the Housing Department and she will be able to assist them with applications. Each family could be awarded up to \$25,000 with this grant in repairs/improvements. You can also reach out to Charley Finley at 989-619-0546 to obtain more information as well.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes for the March meeting were not available so we will approve them at the May meeting. The March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes were approved with one change. The date was wrong so needs to be changed to the 20<sup>th</sup> and not the 30<sup>th</sup>. Motion by V. Jennett, seconded by L. Hayes – all approved.

TREASURERS REPORT – V. Jennett reported that we have completed the 2023 taxes with the county and have received the delinquent payment also from the county. This money has been disbursed amongst the various areas.

BILLS DUE AND PAYABLE: L. Hayes has reviewed the bills due and payable and made a motion to for the board to approve. T. Torrey seconded – all in favor.

FIRE REPORT: J. Brink shared report of what has been happening over the past month (see written report). One question was asked regarding burning on Minnepota – doesn't seem that anyone was supervising the fire. J. Brink stated they need to call 911 and report. V. Jennett make motion to approve and seconded by L. Hayes – all approved

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Not available

ZONING ADMINISTRATORS REPORT: H. Burgess shared that this past month was lighter (see printed report). L. Hayes made motion to approve and seconded by V. Jennett – all approved

Blight ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT: N. Anderson shared also that he will be sending letters to various property owners due to blight complaints. (See printed report). T. Torrey made a motion and L. Hayes seconded it – all in favor

**CORRESPONDENCES – None at this time**

**PUBLIC COMMENT # 1:**

Carole Bleau – shared that on April 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm there will be a “Night at the Races” at the community building. The proceeds go to the Tawas Graduation students 2024. Carole also requested if they could borrow the white tables again for the festival in August – This was approved by all.

Bill McKenzie – shared a letter from TruGreen regarding the chemicals that are used when their applications. Please note that you do not want a product that contains Phosphate since will do harm to our lakes. Also shared that on Indian Lake road a garbage container was burn along the road and contained lots of nails – Bill picked up as much as he saw but just beware there could be more. Also a Pot Hole in that area will take you away.

Norm Anderson – Shared if need help getting on Website site see him or J. Emry.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**BRINE STORAGE AT COMPOST:** Eastern Dust control would like to put a storage bin at the compost site to hold the Brine for the roads that is used here in Grant and surrounding townships. L. Hayes made motion and T. Torrey seconded – all in favor

**DUMPING AT COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION PIT:** The county road commission has given Grant Township the approval to utilize their pit (located across the road from the compost) during the Dry season if needed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS # 2**

Bill McKenzie – asked if we could get a hidden Driveway sign on each side of the compost entrance. T. Torrey will make a request

Carole Bleau will get phone # to V. Jennett to work on getting that a banned boat removed from the roadside by compost.

**MEETING AJOURNED:** Motion by T. Torrey / seconded by V. Jennett at 6:43pm