

**OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING OF THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2022.**

**The Grant Valley Town Board of Supervisors met for their regularly scheduled monthly business meeting on Thursday March 3, 2022, at the Grant Valley Town Hall.**

**Board Members present were Chairman Russ Hiltz, Supervisor Marlys Eckman, Supervisor Bob Hiltz, Treasurer Slough, Clerk Schmidt, and Deputy Clerk Stevens.**

**Chairman Hiltz welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order with the pledge to the flag at 7:00 pm.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Supervisor Hiltz made a motion to approve the February 10, 2022, Board of Audit Minutes and Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Chairman Hiltz and carried on a vote of 2 yes and 1 abstention.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Treasurer Slough reported fund balances as General \$117,331.32, Road and Bridge \$838,985.85, Fire Fund \$55,664.43 with outstanding items of \$296.00 for a total cash on hand balance of \$1,012,277.60.

Supervisor Eckman made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report subject to audit. Supervisor Hiltz seconded motion and it carried on unanimous roll call vote.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

The bills were reviewed and discussed. Supervisor Hiltz made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Supervisor Eckman Hiltz seconded motion and it carried on unanimous roll call vote.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Resolution for re-districting reviewed. This is required for the new map. Chairman Hiltz made a motion to adopt the Resolution which was seconded by Supervisor Eckman and carried on unanimous voice call vote.

Chairman Hiltz made a motion seconded by Supervisor Eckman to approve anyone who wants to attend the spring short course and pay a meeting fee to whoever goes. Motion carried on unanimous voice call vote.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Dale Vogt from Vogt's Dirt Service was present and is requesting a 3-year extension of his contract starting June 1, 2022. He is also asking for a raise to \$125.00 an hour which would start now. They have been buying cutting edges quite regularly and he is requesting that the township pay for those cutting edges. He is also asking for a raise for gas prices. \$5.00 an hour increase based on 2.50 gallon of diesel fuel. This amount will go back down if fuel prices go down. Discussion held. Supervisor Hiltz made a motion to approve Dale's request. Supervisor Eckman seconded motion and it carried on unanimous voice call vote.

Chairman Hiltz made a motion to request both Bemidji and Rockwood Township at our next meeting to discuss the shared roads. Supervisor Eckman seconded motion and it carried on unanimous voice call vote.

Discussion again on a policy about garbage can placement. Supervisor Eckman made a motion to send a request to the township attorney asking if he has any sample resolutions regarding this sort of thing. Supervisor Hiltz seconded motion and it carried on unanimous voice call vote.

Supervisor Hiltz got the information on propane tanks. Cenex does not have any tanks available. Lakes has 1,000-gallon tanks which are \$6,200.00 and rent is free is you use 400 gallons a year. Northdale will not have their pricing until April. Skell Gas has a 1,000 tank for \$3,150.00 plus tax and \$400.00 to trench to the building. Chairman Hiltz made a motion to approve getting the 1,000 tank from Skellgas for approximately \$3,150.00 and first fill and hook up for up to \$4,000.00. Supervisor Eckman seconded motion and it carried on unanimous roll call vote.

**REPORTS:**

Animal Control – Discussion on Windy Hills.

Fire Association – None.

BATO – None.

**ROADS:**

The roads have been cleaned up good.

As there was no further business, Supervisor Hiltz made a motion to adjourn seconded by Supervisor Eckman and carried on unanimous voice call vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Angela Schmidt, Clerk