

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING OF THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021.

The Grant Valley Town Board of Supervisors met for their regularly scheduled monthly business meeting on Thursday May 13, 2021, at the Grant Valley Town Hall.

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Supervisor Eckman made a motion to approve the April 8, 2021, Regular Minutes seconded by Supervisor Bob Hiltz and carried on unanimous voice call vote. Supervisor Bob Hiltz made a motion to approve the April 24, 2021, Board of Review Minutes, seconded by Supervisor Eckman and carried on unanimous voice call vote.

The Road Tour Minutes were reviewed as follows:

3" lift on Fern Lake Road will cost approx. \$19,200.00 but we will wait until we hear about the grant. Chairman Hiltz will get quotes for peak rock and overlay on the Fern Lake Road. Grant Hills Road SW needs a road put in that is there but has never been maintained. Keith Christiansen will work on and find all three T's.

The following roads need spot graveling done: Kimmur, Buchanan, 16th Street, Sportsman's, River Crossing, Stone Lake Road SW, Paul Miller Lane, Schroeder Road, Leonardway Road, Division Street, Balsam Ridge and Juneberry.

We have all the signs we need except 4 – "no outlet" signs, 1 – left turn sign and 1 – stop sign.

Whisperwood driveway needs a culvert. Keith Christiansen will go look to verify addresses.

E911 signs discussed.

Keith Christiansen will do most work – signs, brush, culverts, etc.

Supervisor Bob Hiltz made a motion to approve the May 8, 2021, Road Tour Minutes seconded by Chairman Hiltz and carried on unanimous voice call vote. Supervisor Bob Hiltz made a motion to do all the work discussed in the Minutes. Supervisor Eckman seconded motion and it carried on unanimous voice call vote.

Chairman Hiltz made a motion to send a letter to the town residents on Carmen Drive to clean up their household debris or it will be done for them, and they will be charged for the cleanup. Supervisor Bob Hiltz seconded motion and it carried on unanimous voice call vote.

Chairman Hiltz made a motion to send a letter to the township association regarding calcium chloride being put on township roads by a resident. Supervisor Eckman seconded motion and it carried on unanimous voice call vote.

Chairman Hiltz made a motion to send a letter to the township association asking for rules and regulations on mobile home parks. What must be done to add 60 more spaces when they are licensed for 20. Is there a regulation on the year, made, etc. of homes put in. Also, the storm shelter is too small and there are septic issues. Is there anything that can be done to stop this. Frank Gehrke is the owner of Pine Valley Mobile Home Park in question. Beltrami County says it is not their problem and the Dept of Health has been no help. Supervisor Bob Hiltz seconded motion and it carried on unanimous voice call vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Slough reported fund balances as General \$114,139.25, Road and Bridge \$634,311.24, Fire Fund \$27,538.17 with outstanding items of \$5613.02 for a total cash on hand balance of \$781,601.68.

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

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

The bills were reviewed and discussed. Chairman Hiltz made a motion to pay the bills as presented except the 3 donations which needed to be corrected. Supervisor Eckman seconded motion and it carried on unanimous roll call vote. The solid waste fee on the town hall is now \$144.00. Discussion held. Chairman Hiltz made a motion to send a letter to the county that the township is not in favor of paying this fee. Supervisor Eckman seconded motion and it carried on unanimous roll call vote. Brian Olson at Beltrami County has authorized Keith Christiansen to bring in all garbage from Quiet Pond Trail.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman Hiltz made a motion to send a letter to the township association asking about round-a-bouts – what are the requirements for sight lines for safety. Residents are complaining and the county engineer will not do anything. Supervisor Eckman seconded motion and it carried on unanimous voice call vote.

County land designated for individual usage park etc. o.k.

Gophers are really bad this year. Keith Christiansen will take care of trapping them and he will also trim up the trees at the town hall. Same mowers as last year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supervisor Eckman made a motion to send a letter to the Postmaster indicating it is more apparent than ever that the mailboxes at Averi Circle are dangerous. Chairman Hiltz seconded motion and it carried on unanimous voice call vote.

Floor cleaning discussed. Russ will get ahold of someone as Maria's Cleaning is not getting back to Supervisor Eckman. Supervisor Bob Hiltz will remove the stickers inside of the hall.

The 2019 Minutes were reviewed by the Clerk and Vogt's Dirt Service contract was extended until 2022.

REPORTS:

Supervisor Bob Hiltz reported on Animal Control. They have raised the Animal Control Officer's salary and he will get paid mileage above and beyond normal patrolling.

Supervisor Hiltz reported on the Fire Association. Not much going on.

Supervisor Eckman reported on BATO. New County Administrator was there and talked mostly about the new jail. Kevin Trappe from County GIS looking at new device to calculate township mileage.

There is a person that lives in Averi Circle that picks up garbage continuously. Her name is Amber Jerome.

ROADS:

Previously discussed.

As there was no further business, Supervisor Bob Hiltz made a motion to adjourn seconded by Supervisor Eckman and carried on unanimous voice call vote. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Angela Schmidt
Clerk