

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRANT VALLEY TOWN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING OF THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH, 2024

The Grant Valley Town Board of Supervisors met for their regularly scheduled monthly business meeting on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at the Grant Valley Town Hall.

Board Members present were Chairman Hiltz, Supervisor Hiltz, Supervisor Eckman, Treasurer Slough, Clerk Stevens, and Road Supervisor Christianson.

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 motion to approve the October 10th, 2024, Regular Meeting, seconded by Supervisor Eckman and carried on unanimous roll call vote. Correction of Listenbarger spelling on September minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Slough reported fund balances as General \$66,370.75 Road and Bridge \$979,758.92, Fire Fund \$56,993.73, Covid Fund of \$0.00 with outstanding items of \$90.00 for a total cash on hand balance of \$1,103,213.40. 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 Eckman made a motion to pay the bills as presented seconded by Supervisor Hiltz and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor Eckman made a motion to change the agenda, make 5. Visitors/Citizens comments, seconded by Supervisor Hiltz and it carried on unanimous roll call vote.

Review and make a new Road Work Log for paving/snowplowing roads. Treasurer Slough and Clerk Stevens are making a draft to review in December.

Review Township Road miles from Beltrami County, Clerk Stevens will notify that we need to add Yellow Rose and Red Rose. The Township has 46.53 miles of roads, plus 1.03 min road miles

OLD BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Country Side- No update.

Coyote bounty from Jason Hill, the Board can adopt a resolution to make a bounty, discussion of the options and will discuss more when bounty/wages are discussed.

City of Wilton- No update

Elections- We had a wonderful turn out, 942 residents came in voted, we registered over 100 voters with the poll pads. The day went very fast for the election judges.

The creek at Stone Lake Road N is down.

REPORTS:

Fire- ByLaws were read through, Bemidji Township would like some changes, Special Meeting in December (new contract will be voted on). At next meeting we will need a letter to say who is back up for Chairman Hiltz to attend. More full-time fire fighters are wanted from the Fire Department. Long Range planning coming up as well.

BATO- 20 people at Oct meeting, State Senator Steve Green spoke about acres, another rep there spoke about needing land close to the schools to do the building projects with students. Jail update, anticipated done by June 2027, only 2 additional staff most likely needed to staff the new jail. District meeting for MAT will be in Beltrami County next year. Eckles has had land annexed by the City of Wilton 7x. Money available for anyone wanting to attend meetings in Washinton or Annual meeting. Cash on hand is \$12, XXX.

Animal Control- Discussion of where the Animal Control Officer can/should take animals. He needs to find a spot for the good dogs/cats that need to find their homes. More discussion on a different place, the budget for Animal Control may need to change. On budget for the year so far.

JAYZAB- Clerk Stevens will email again to request the resolution.

ROADS:

Discussion of crack fill on Big North Road- the board will review the road at the road tour in the Spring. Discussion of the high line and resident asking about rocks.

Dale Vogt has been hitting the roads and aware of the temps, he is doing his best to get the roads smooth before it freezes. Schroeder Road- a resident asked Supervisor Eckman that Schroeder Road be considered to be paved in the future. He also stated that the road is getting graded too often.

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 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kayley Stevens, Clerk