

GRAND RAPIDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

May 22, 2023

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 five guests.

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 \$10,196.47 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 presented two estimates for a new fire truck; Rosenbauer estimate was for \$635,000 with equipment and the estimate from Pierce was \$825,000. Chief Flora stated that the Pierce estimate has a lot more bells and whistles and a four-door cab that was not included in the specks. Chief Flora also explained that new emission standards will come into effect in 2027 which will increase the cost of a new truck. Trustees to review the specifications.

Rita Foos brought up the fact that the staff at Marathon lost tract of our credit card and we recently had issues getting fuel and wondered if we should consider getting a fuel tank at the township building. Chief Flora thought that a tank at the township building would be good and convenient for the department.

Ken Taylor updated the Board on zoning issues within the township.

Rita Foos mentioned that the old truck sold for \$14,200.

Rita Foos brought up that the cemetery levy is about to expire and that a renewal would bring in approximately \$10,000 a year and that a replacement would bring in approximately \$13,000 a year. After a short discussion it was agreed to replace the levy. Rita Foos resolved (2023-2) that it is expedient and necessary to levy a rate in excess of said ten mill limitation to wit: at a rate of ¼ mill to provide funds to maintain and operate Beaver Creek Cemetery over 94) years, on the general property duplicate of said Grand Rapids Township: for the years 2023 through 2026, in accordance with the provisions of Ohio R.C. 5705.19(T). 2nd by David Chamberlain. Roll Call YES: Ike Topp, David Chamberlain and Rita Foos. Motion carried.

After a short discussion on the Draft Amended Wood County Solid Waste Management Plan; Rita Foos resolved (2023-3) to approve the “Draft Amended Wood County Solid Waste Management Plan”. 2nd by David Chamberlain. Roll Call YES: David Chamberlain, Ike Topp and Rita Foos. Motion carried.

David Chamberlain said that the drainage tile around the township building are not draining and need to be jetted out.

Les Heyman claimed that the roadside mower was not cutting properly and that something needs to be done with it.

The meeting was adjourned.

Trustees

Fiscal Officer

