

**TOWN OF GRANT
9011 COUNTY ROAD WW
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 9, 2011**

Present: Schwab, Winkler, Yetter, Luecht and Zimmerman.
Chairperson Schwab called meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Announcements/Correspondence:

- Village of Plainfield Fire Protection Contract received to be signed.
- Solaris Franchise payment received.
- Meeting at Town of Hull Municipal Building on Nov. 16th @ 6:30pm to discuss future contract with Veolia to take waste and recyclables to Portage County facility in Plover.
- Bauernfeind Business Technologies (office copier) has partnered with Infitech, a local technology leader.

Presentation: Dale Peterson, Portage County Interim Highway Commissioner presented an Agreement between Portage County and Town of Grant to replace culverts on 90th St, south of Birch for \$16,795.57 and 110th St., north of Birch St for \$13,046.72. These projects will be covered under Bridge Aid and the Town will be reimbursed for 50% of project cost upon completion. A third culvert needs to be replaced on Pine St/105th St., which is being investigated to determine best plan. These projects were agreed upon this summer, but Portage County never started the projects. Now that an agreement is entered into the process will get started and DNR permits will be acquired. Dale Peterson did indicate that it was Portage County's fault that these items were not taken care of this past summer.

#6 Highway Maintenance Agreement: Motion: (Schwab, Yetter) Move to uphold decision made this summer to allow Portage County to replace culverts on 90th St, south of Birch St and 110th St., north of Birch St. and to sign agreement for these projects. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.

Motion: (Yetter, Winkler) Move to accept Monthly Board Meeting minutes on October 12, 2011 as written. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.

Motion: (Schwab, Winkler) Move to accept Town Board Meeting minutes of October 28, 2011 as corrected. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.

Officer's Reports:

- EMS Oversight Board Meeting attended by Schwab. Contract with United Emergency Medical Response not yet signed. Tech Team meeting is scheduled for November 10th.
- Plainfield Fire Dept Annual Meeting was attended by Schwab. The contract amount for Town of Grant will be \$8,764.00 for 2012. Plainfield responded to 123 calls in 2011 with 0 calls in Town of Grant.
- LRIP Meeting was attended by Schwab and Winkler. Town of Grant is not in rotation for LRIP Grants, but is encouraged to apply for LRIP-Discretionary Grants, which are due Dec. 1th. These Grants are determined at State level and roads for consideration would be: Deer Rd (100th-110th), Lake Road (CTH U-90th St.) and 100th St. (Quarry-CTH W). If grant money is acquired the cost to the Town would be 50% of project.
- Annual Humane Society of Portage County meeting was attended by Luecht. She reported that there were 17 complaints, which consisted of 16 strays and 1 dog bite. The Humane Society is overrun with cats housing 200+ and 46 dogs. Town Animal Control amount is calculated by a per person charge and Town is responsible for remainder of fee not collected in licenses. A copy of a

letter written by Sheriff John Charewicz, indicating that all dogs must be licensed will be inserted in tax bills. Next meeting is November 15th.

Committee Minutes/Reports:

- **1st Responders:** Yetter reported that at the Oct. meeting they had Emergency Medical Dispatch Training. They will also have ICS Training in December, which was scheduled earlier, but trainer didn't show for meeting.
- **Sesquicentennial Committee:** Meeting on November 16th @ 6:30pm.
- **Plan Commission:** Finished Utility Policy, moving on to Driveway Ordinance and taking a look at Zoning Districts- General Ag/Transitional Ag.
- **Zoning:** Total Building Permits for October were 5 accessory buildings, 1 address for total collected of \$285.00.

Financial Reports:

- Total Receipts for the month of October was \$63,434.25.
- Request to apply for Flood Damage Aids, even though past deadlines. Items to include are OT Hours, safety barricades, Regular/OT costs. Need to breakout flood damage hours from regular hours.
- Tax bill inserts, Diana Luecht will include letter about Dog Licensing on the back side of Sheriff's letter for two cents a copy.
- **Motion: (Schwab, Yetter) Move to include in tax bill mailing Recycling Brochure, Sheriff's Letter/Luecht notice on back, and Sesquicentennial Notice for a cost of approximately \$620.54. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.**
- **Street Lights/Special Assessment:** SS #66.0827 allows Towns to set up; Subdivision, Downtown, or Utility District to charge residents who have street light in their area. This will be checked into for next year's taxes. A Public Hearing would have to be held in order to include on tax bills.

Public Participation:

- **Pine St. Road Damage-Ken Rivers:** Road damage on Pine St amounting to \$8,600.00. Rivers (owner of Allen Canning) was to attend meeting but opted not to attend per legal counsel. Jeff Sommers owner of parcel attended meeting and felt he wasn't responsible for road damage and had no control over truckers. It was mentioned that the Town had installed an asphalt driveway on west end of field that should have been used. Jeff Sommers indicated he didn't receive a call at the time it happened, could have helped at that time. He asked that the Town send a bill directly to Allen Canning for \$8,600.00.
- **Driveway culvert on Washington-Jordan Krohn:** Krohn attended meeting and indicated that back in 2004 the Town removed a culvert and didn't replace. He had it replaced and now when he had another culvert installed figured Town should pay since he had to pay for one in 2004. Zimmerman looked through 2004 minutes and couldn't find anything saying Town would pay for driveway culvert replacement.
- Eldred Getzloff- put full fence in on Town of Grant line (trim trees).

Roads/Equipment/Garage:

- Winkler reported this past month that the Town replaced culverts on Deer Rd. (90th-100th); gravel on 110th St. (South of CTH W); ready for winter, snowplows ready, final grading done.
- Kelley Steinke- extra gravel on Grant St.
- Charles Rickman- Deer Road (100th-110th) material off shoulders, road built up-place for water to go.

- Fuel Option 2012: Cost Averaging where they watch market for 60 days (Dec-Jan) and come up with an average cost. Town would contract a certain number of gallons at that average price and pay market price at delivery time on remaining fuel. Now Town is on Keep Full Program where they fill when in area which is 1-2 cents per gallon less.
- WISLR/PACER: Yetter reported that roads North of County Rd FF, between 80th St-120th St are done.
- Garage/Hall - Door between Cold/Warm storage should be replaced; will work on small items
- JCB repairs-leaks; Service Motors estimate is \$3,192.58
- **Motion: (Winkler, Yetter) Move that we spend \$3,192.58 for JCB repairs from Service Motors. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.**

Rescue/Extrication Service options:

- Wood County Rescue rejected our request to cover Town of Grant, Grand Rapids Fire Protection area for rescue/extrication. Scott Bernette indicated he can still call Wood County on Mutual Aid. Will bring back at later date.

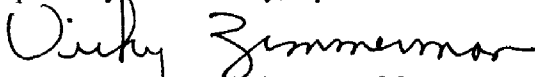
Transfer Station: Nothing to report

Website: Set up meeting with Laura Goetz, to show us how simple it is to do our own information.

Board/Employee Training: Ordering CD's/materials for Election Training

Motion: (Yetter, Winkler) Move to adjourn at 9:10pm. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.

Respectfully submitted by,



Vicky Zimmerman, Clerk Town of Grant