

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
September 15, 2015

The Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of the Town of Grantwood Village was held on Tuesday September 15, 2015, at Village Hall, One Missionary Ridge, Saint Louis MO, 63123. The following Trustees were present:

Kevin Kelso, Chairman
Pat Williams, Treasurer
Mark Kienstra, Public Works Commissioner
Bob Bess, Building Commissioner

Also present were: Village Attorney, Rich Magee; Officer Chuck Weinman, St. Louis County Police and Jennifer Merritt, Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 P.M. by Kevin Kelso.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Mark Kienstra conducted roll call. All trustees except Sue Ehrhardt, Village Clerk, present.
Mark Kienstra announced a quorum.

MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING – August 18, 2015

- Bob Bess motioned, seconded by Mark Kienstra, to approve August 18, 2015, meeting minutes as stated. On voice vote, the motion unanimously passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT - PAT WILLIAMS

- Beginning Balance \$596,001.63, Receipts \$27,638.74, Disbursements \$23,280.06, Ending \$600,360.31.
- Received a rental income from Vertical Bridge for the cell tower, probably the last payment. Also received tax money.
- This is a record amount in the bank account.
- Bob Bess motioned, seconded by Mark Kienstra, to approve the August Treasurer's Report as stated. On voice vote, the motion unanimously passed.
- September Disbursements \$25,559.17
 - Check to Traveler's Insurance for annual renewal.
 - Check for bonding of Jennifer Merritt and Mark Kienstra.
 - Check to Gregory Hanser for sewer lateral inspection.
 - Other checks to Saint Louis County Police or Public Safety, Tim Devereux and Jennifer Merritt for court services.
- Bob Bess motioned, seconded by Mark Kienstra, to approve the September disbursements. On voice vote, the motion unanimously passed.

VILLAGE CLERK – SUE EHRHARDT - absent

BUILDING COMMISSIONER - BOB BESS

- This is the last meeting for Bob Bess; he is retiring to spend more time with his family.

- Thanks to Bob Bess for all of his work within Grantwood Village and everywhere else he has helped in the Community.
- Discussion to make Bob Bess a Trustee Emeritus, where he would have a position of honor at Grantwood Village. Rich Magee will get something together to allow for this to happen
- Bob will still be helping out with the building maintenance and any other help with the trustees with anything needed.
 - Discussion on some of the items that the building requires.

PUBLIC WORKS - MARK KIENSTRA

- The new sewer lateral program and inspector is working out well and is readily available.
- Grant Road Project
 - There is a lot of progress to get the Grant Road Project to be funded by Federal Grants. There are currently preliminary indications that the funding will happen. As more information is available it will be shared to the residents. Currently working to get Letters of Interest from engineering firms to provide services in drawing up the specs for the project.
 - Mark Kienstra motioned, seconded by Bob Bess to approve to publish a letter on the MODOT website to obtain Letters of Interest from Engineering firms that would like to draw up the specifications of the Grant Road Project. On voice vote the motion unanimously passed.
 - There is typically a two week time frame once the letter is published on the site, should have some response by early October.

CHAIRMAN - KEVIN KELSO

OFFICER MIKE THOMECZEK (Absent-Officer Chuck Weinman filling in) - POLICE OFFICER REPORT

- No Crimes in the Village
- Crime is down 35% in the Affton Precinct
- Car Clouting is still an issue in the area. Make sure your car is locked. Some of the car clouters have been caught but there are many different groups.
- Anyone one walking around that doesn't seem to belong please call the police.
- September 26, 2015 the DEA and Saint Louis County Prescription Takeback Drive will be at the Village Hall. You can bring in your unused prescription for disposal. If you cannot make it on the 26th, you can also drop it off to the 3rd precinct anytime 24/7.

PROBLEM PROPERTIES IN THE VILLAGE

- There are several problem properties in the Village. Working with Saint Louis County to get the problems resolved, but this is not happening as quickly as hoped. Rich Magee is working on getting information and summons prepared for the different properties to get the homeowners into the Grantwood Village Court to deal with the issues more quickly.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY – Rich Magee

- Thanks to Bob for all of his hard work and dedication.
- Spoke with John Nanos regarding the tax rate that is due October 1. We are currently waiting on the assessed values since they are not finalized. Once they are completed the rate will be completed and submitted.
- Also talked with John Nanos on Senate Bill 5, did not seem to have any issues with the accounting side of the requirements. There was some question on the requirement of a yearly audit, since Grantwood Village is currently doing a yearly review. This will be figured out within the next three years, when it is required since it is very costly to do a yearly audit.

- There is challenge mounting within Saint Louis County Municipalities regarding Senate Bill 5. Mainly on the 12.5% revenue requirement only being limited to municipalities within Saint Louis County.
- The ordinance has been revised for the electronic participation in Trustee Meetings.
- Obtaining out that there are federal funding audit requirements when obtaining federal funds. The Boyd, Franz and Stephens will not be able to do the audit for this, but Saint Louis County may be able to provide this service.

TRUSTEE'S PARTICIPATING BY PHONE

- Mark Kienstra motioned, seconded by Bob Bess to read a second time, by caption only, the Bill No. 696 allowing Trustee's to participate by phone. On voice vote the motion was unanimously passed.
- Mark Kienstra read the Trustee's to participate by phone Bill by caption
 - An ordinance of the Town of Grantwood Village, Missouri amending section 110.030 of the Town of Grantwood Village Code to amend section (A) thereof.
- Discussion-None
- Mark Kienstra Conducted a roll call vote:
 - Bob Bess- AYE
 - Kevin Kelso-AYE
 - Pat Williams-AYE
 - Mark Kienstra-AYE
 - Sue Ehrhardt-Absent
 - Bill No. 696, becomes Ordinance No. 696.15

OLD BUSINESS-NONE

NEW BUSINESS

- Tax Rates
 - The Village will conduct a special meeting once the tax rates are completed.

VILLAGER'S COMMENTS

BUILDING PERMIT FEES

- Mark Kienstra motioned, seconded by Bob Bess to read the Building Permit Fees Bill No. 697 by a second time caption only. On voice vote the motion was unanimously passed.
- Mark Kienstra read the Building Permit Fees Bill No. 697 by caption.
 - An ordinance of the Town of Grantwood Village, Missouri amending section 500.030 of the Town of Grantwood Village Code to amend section (A) thereof.
- Discussion-None
- Mark Kienstra Conducted a roll call vote:
 - Bob Bess- AYE
 - Kevin Kelso-AYE
 - Pat Williams-AYE
 - Mark Kienstra-AYE
 - Sue Ehrhardt-Absent
 - Bill No. 697, becomes Ordinance No. 697.15

Thanks again to Bob for all of your service. Pat Williams presented Bob Bess with a gift from the Village for all of his hard work.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment of Open Meeting

Bob Bess motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mark Kienstra. On voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 8:15 P.M. The next Board of Trustee meeting will be held on Tuesday October 20, 2015 at **7:00 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Kelso
Chairman

Attest:

Sue Ehrhardt
Village Clerk