

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 16, 2017

The Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of the Town of Grantwood Village was held on Tuesday May 16, 2017, at Village Hall, One Missionary Ridge, Saint Louis MO, 63123. The following Trustees were present:

Kevin Kelso, Chairman
Mark Kienstra, Public Works
Rick Wagner, Building Commissioner
Pat Williams, Treasurer
Sue Ehrhardt, Village Clerk

Also present were: Officer Dave Graf, St. Louis County Police, and Jennifer Merritt, Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Kevin Kelso.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Sue Ehrhardt conducted roll call. All trustees present. Sue Ehrhardt announced a quorum.

MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING – April 18, 2017

- Mark Kienstra motioned, seconded by Rick Wagner, to approve April 18, 2017, meeting minutes as stated. On voice vote, the motion unanimously passed.

RECOGNITION OF RESIDENTS & GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

- Thanks to everyone who came to the meeting this evening. Thanks to Kathy Kienstra for her service on the Lindbergh Board of Education.
- The following were in attendance:
 - Residents:
 - Christine & Larry Mago - 3 Grantview Lane
 - Kathy Kienstra - 7365 Navarre Circle
 - Laura Yates - 7456 Whitehaven
 - Florence Stalley - 7400 Granbury Circle
 - Jim Albenesius - 7348 Grandbury Circle
 - Bill Hund – 8824 Paragon Circle
 - Jan Muraski – 9007 Whitehaven Drive
 - Guest:
 - Welcome to Mr. Alex Devlin from Saint Louis County

TREASURER'S REPORT – PAT WILLIAMS

- The Beginning Balance of the April Treasurer's report is \$999,472.91, Receipts \$21,465.85 Disbursements \$28,754.67, Ending Balance \$992,184.09.
- There were the usual receipts from County and State, and there was also a sewer lateral deposit.
- Mark Kienstra motioned, seconded by Rick Wagner, to approve the April Treasurer's Report as stated. On voice vote, the motion unanimously passed.

- May Disbursements: \$28,653.52.
- There was a reimbursement to Julie Bauer for the tree saplings that were given out at the Arbor Day event. A check for the refurbishing of the entrance lights to old Grantwood. A check to Euphorbia and Davey Tree service for maintenance in the Village. A check to Access Engineering with a 78% reimbursement. There are also two other invoices that we are waiting reimbursement. Marie Dennis from Access Engineering has resubmitted the invoices.
- Mark Kienstra motioned, seconded by Rick Wagner, to approve May's disbursements as stated. On voice vote, the motion unanimously passed.

PUBLIC HEARING ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

- Sue Ehrhardt motioned, seconded by Mark Kienstra to open the Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant. On voice vote, the motion unanimously passed.
- Alex Devlin from Saint Louis County, spoke about the Community Development Block Grant. The program is federally funded, from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. Annually there is \$5 million dispersed in participating communities. This hearing is for the 2018 funds. There are still 2016 and 2017 funds available for those who complete the application. The funds are a fully forgivable loan, meaning a lien is placed on the home and as long as the homeowner stays in the home for five years they do not have to pay back the loan. If the homeowner sells after three years then they would pay back \$2000.
- Discussion on uses of the grant money. Grantwood Village chooses to allocate the grant money to those with home improvement items but there are other options for the grant. There are individual income stipulations for the housing funds but there are other stipulations for the other options. Grantwood Village has not, in the past, qualified for them.
- The application process is completely confidential. Anyone wishing to apply for the grant would contact Debbie Raleigh at the Saint Louis County South Home Improvement Division at 314-615-4025. The funds are on a first come first serve basis.
- An individual grant is a onetime event. The amount is for \$5,000 per application and if the person does not use the full \$5000, they can reapply if funds are available for the remaining amount.
- Please make sure everyone attending tonight signs the Public Hearing sign in sheet.
- Mark Kienstra motioned, seconded by Sue Ehrhardt, to adjourn the Public Hearing. On voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

VILLAGE CLERK – SUE EHRHARDT

- Business Licenses - The Village Code for business licenses was modified to allow for calendar year dates, to accommodate the food truck vendors at Grant's Farm. Recently there was an application received for a caricature vendor. At the last meeting it was decided to change all of the business licenses to calendar year.
- Mark Kienstra motioned, seconded by Rick Wagner, to read Bill No. 723 by caption only. On voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.
- Sue read Bill No. 723 by caption.
- An Ordinance Relating to the Issuance of Business Licenses for the Town of Grantwood Village by Amending Section 605.030(A) of the Municipal Code.
- No questions
- Mark Kienstra motioned, seconded by Rick Wagner, to read Bill No. 723 by caption a second time. On voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.
- Sue read Bill No. 723, by caption a second time.
- Sue Ehrhardt conducted a roll call vote.
 - Rick Wagner - AYE
 - Mark Kienstra - AYE

- Kevin Kelso - AYE
- Pat Williams - AYE
- Sue Ehrhardt - AYE
- Bill No. 723 becomes Ordinance No. 723.17
- Sue will talk with Sam's Steakhouse and Grant's Farm regarding the possibility of changing the Liquor Licenses to calendar year.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER – RICK WAGNER

- The monuments at the Old Grantwood entrances have been tuck pointed. The lights have also been repaired. The monuments at Forest Haven need to be looked at as well. They are starting to fall apart.
- Also looking for someone to complete a little handiwork at the Village Hall.

PUBIC WORKS - MARK KIENSTRA

- The final specs are being completed for the Grant Road Project.
- There will be some street sealing in the fall.
- We did receive an application for a sewer lateral but it turns out that it was not a lateral sewer issue, but a maintenance issue.

CHAIRMAN - KEVIN KELSO

OFFICER DAVE GRAF - POLICE OFFICER REPORT

- 219 Calls for service, 43 from residents
- No reports
- The update to the PODS situation is that the homeowner assured that the PODS will be removed over the weekend.

TREE BOARD – LAURA YATES

- Plaque and Flag presentation from Tree City USA
- Would like to pursue a TRIM Grant through the Department of Conservation and use the funds to update the tree inventory. There is a 25% match for the grant, which would be built into the tree board budget. The TRIM Grant application is due June 2nd; Kevin Kelso will sign the application once complete.
- The tree budget will be prepared and given to Jim Albenesius and Pat Williams prior to the June meeting to incorporate it into the Village Budget.
- The budget will also include tree and planting guidelines.
- Follow up on the MSD project restoration. At this time no planting will be completed in this area.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY - MIKE VOGT

- Worked on a memo for the Board regarding fences.
- Worked on a memo for the Board regarding storage containers (PODS), which does have a limit of 7 days. The ordinance was written some time ago, before PODs were in existence and was written more for leaving trash cans out. This may need to be adjusted.
- Prepared two ordinances, the first for changing the dates for the business licenses, the second a draft for possibly changing the dates for the liquor licenses.
- We are down to two problem properties in the Village. One property is making progress and the other is not.

OLD BUSINESS

- Letter of Support for Sunset Hills.

- In exchange for the letter of intent Sunset Hills will allow the residents of Grantwood Village to use the facilities (pool, gym, etc.) at the resident rates.
- Grantwood Village will give up two points for Parks Grants by writing the letter of support.
- Mark Kienstra motioned, seconded by Sue Ehrhardt, to agree to help Sunset Hills in their request for the Letter of Support. On voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- None

VILLAGER'S COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Mark Kienstra motioned, seconded by Rick Wagner, to adjourn the meeting. 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 June 20, 2017 at **7:00 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Kelso
Chairman

Attest:

Sue Ehrhardt
Village Clerk