

GRAYLING CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD

REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 19, 2020

Members Present: Duane Brooks, Cynthia Olson, Monica Ashton, Claudia Selthoffer, JoAnn Michal, Lacey Stephan III.

Members Absent: Joe Smock

Others Present: Numerous citizens. Sign-in sheet attached to original minutes.

Supervisor Stephan called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

1. Citizens who wished to speak on subjects not on the agenda were given the opportunity prior to commencing public hearings.
Diane Giska announced her candidacy for Grayling Charter Township Clerk for the term November 2020-24. Clerk, Monica Ashton, will be retiring at the end of her term November 2020.
2. Motion by Michal, second by Brooks, to approve minutes of January 15, 2020, as presented. Ayes, six; Nays, none; Absent, one. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Brooks, second by Selthoffer, to recess regular meeting and open Public Hearing for Red Tailed Hawk Loop Special Assessment District. Ayes, six; Nays, none; Absent, one. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Supervisor opened the floor for public comment regarding Red Tailed Hawk Loop proposed Special Assessment District for Road Improvements.

Current cost estimate is \$165,145.97 spread over 40 properties fronting Red Tailed Hawk Loop. The estimated cost per parcel would be \$344.06 per year for 12 years.

No citizens present commented on the project. There was no correspondence. Supervisor closed the public hearing.

4. Motion by Brooks, second by Olson, to open Public Hearing for Jones Lake Road Special Assessment District. Ayes, six; Nays, none; Absent, one. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Supervisor opened the floor for public comment regarding Jones Lake Road proposed Special Assessment District for Road Improvements.

Current cost estimate for paving is \$1,040,597.59 spread over 88 direct parcels and 144 indirect parcels. Direct parcels would pay \$591.25 per year for 12 years. Indirect parcels would pay \$240.88 per year for 12 years.

Andrew Palmer questioned military use of Jones Lake Road. Campground should pay more than one indirect share because of traffic it creates.

Todd Sapelak: The road is a safety hazard. Emergency funds should be available to repair the road. Road needs to be done but price is too high.

Michele Cochrane: Necessary improvements but cost prohibitive, especially for those with multiple parcels.

Don Olander: Could the costs be spread over households rather than individual parcels?

Scott Gabriel: Project needs to be done. County and military should contribute. All parcels should share equally. No direct and indirect.

Shirley Welke: Is parcel consolidation possible? See Supervisor.

Nicole Trudeau: Military traffic a problem. Cost too high. Kathy Piehl: Will property tax increase after improvements? Headlee Amendment will keep taxes down.

Bruce Jerome: Go back to gravel? Township Road millage? Special Assessment? He thinks Special Assessment would be most beneficial as all funds go directly to Jones Lake Road. Supports project.

Correspondence was submitted from Roger Marriott & wife, Ronald & Linda Murphy, Thomas & Connie Lee and Samantha Schnoor.

Supervisor closed the Public Hearing.

5. Motion by Brooks, second by Michal, to close Public Hearings and re-convene the Regular Meeting of the Grayling Charter Township Board. Ayes, six; Nays, none; Absent, one. Motion carried. (11:15 am)
6. Motion by Olson, second by Michal, to adopt Resolution No. 3 establishing a Special Assessment District for Red Tailed Hawk Loop Road improvements. (See attachment "A") Ayes, six; Nays, none; Absent, one. Motion carried.
7. Motion by Michal, second by Selthoffer, to adopt Resolution No. 4 regarding inspection of the Special Assessment Roll for Red Tailed Hawk Loop Road Improvements and scheduling a Public Hearing for March 18, 2020 to receive and review public comment on same. (See Attachment "B") Ayes, six; Nays, none; Absent, one. Motion carried.
8. Motion by Michal, second by Brooks, to table until March 18, 2020, Resolution No. 3 regarding establishment of a Special Assessment District for Improvements to Jones Lake Road. Ayes, six; Nays, none; Absent, one. Motion carried.
9. Motion by Selthoffer, second by Michal, to authorize Deputy Treasurer to collect taxes, in place of the Treasurer, on March 2, 2020. Ayes, six; Nays, none; Absent, one. Motion carried.
10. Correspondence and Reports for previous month: Russ Strohpaul reported for the City/Twp. Fire Dept. Bob Dixon provided permit report for building, electrical plumbing and mechanical.
11. Treasurer's Report for January was reviewed and placed on file.
12. Adair Aumock spoke regarding the C.O.O.R. scholl millage proposals on the March 10, 2020 ballot.
13. Jamie McClain and Susan Hensler spoke regarding the Commission on Aging millage proposal which will be on the March 10, 2020 ballot.
14. Proposed 2020-2021 General Fund Budgets have been distributed to Board members.

15. Motion by Brooks, second by Michal, to approve payment of claims on vouchers 3050 through 3086 and liquor inspections of \$175.00. Ayes, six; Nays, none; Absent, one. Motion carried.
16. Motion to adjourn by Michal, second by Selthoffer. Ayes, six; Nays, none; Absent, one. Motion carried.

Monica Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Charter Township Clerk