Grand Ridge Village Board Minutes of the March 19, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Village Board

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Kay Hines at the Grand Ridge Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance. Trustees present: Jim Stricklin, Anne Hinterlong, Kim Olney, Dennis Rockey, Cindi Koetz and John Hettel. Village Attorney Sheryl Churney, Nick Hettel, Stephanie Wroblewski, Mike Harden, Martha Harden, Joe Soulsby, Buck Hill, Jack Tidaback, Raymond Hladovack, Mike Jaegle, and Josh Jaegle were also present.

Mayor Hines requested Sheryl Churney serve as Secretary Pro Tem due to the absence of the Village Clerk.

<u>Minutes</u>. Trustee Hettel made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2024 Board meeting; the Historical Committee meeting of January 10, 2024; the Long Range Planning Committee meeting of February 22, 2024; the Finance Committee meeting of March 11, 2024; and the Park Committee meeting of March 11, 2024 as presented; second by Trustee Hinterlong. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>. Trustee Hinterlong made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented; second by Trustee Rockey. Ayes: Stricklin, Hinterlong, Olney, Rockey, Koetz, Hettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

<u>Payment of Bills</u>. Trustee Hinterlong made a motion to approve payment of the monthly bills as presented; second by Trustee Koetz. Ayes: Stricklin, Hinterlong, Olney, Rockey, Koetz, Hettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Comment. None.

Old Business.

- A. Grand Ridge Welcome Sign. Trustee Rockey reported he finally received information from Designs & Signs, but it was not satisfactory. Trustee Rockey will make another effort to work with Designs & Signs, but the Village may need to use another supplier.
- B. Ord. # 2024-02: An Ordinance Amending Section 53.02(C) of the Village Code Prohibiting Collection of Garbage Containers from Village Alleys. Trustee Stricklin made a motion to approve the Ordinance as presented; second by Trustee Hettel. Ayes: Stricklin, Hinterlong, Olney, Rockey, Koetz, Hettel. Nays: None. Motion carried. It was noted that street pick up seems to be going well.

New Business.

- A. <u>Village Cleanup Day</u>. Cleanup date will be June 8, 2024 with Republic providing service. Trustee Rockey noted volunteers are needed and there is a breakfast provided to the volunteers. The start time is typically at 7:00 a.m.
- B. <u>Drainage at McBride Subdivision</u>. Trustee Rockey met with Mr. Hill and provided to the board a handout from Lemrise Tile Repair with a suggested solution for the drainage issues affecting the McBride Subdivision (attached). Trustee Rockey noted the proposal would need approval from the grade school board for a drainage line to run through school district property to a Village catch basin.

The McBride Subdivision residents would pay for tapping into the Village's drainage tile, including water lines for gutter and sump pump drainage. There is an existing drain tile in the area but it seems to be too small as it is a six inch line. In heavy rains, the existing catch basin cannot keep up so there is standing water in the ditches. By taking on water from the sump pump and gutter lines, the water table will lower which will help drainage in the area. The contractor would not be able to do any work for six to eight weeks. It was noted that this is one of the most serious drainage problems within the Village. The Village Engineer has not yet reviewed this proposal and Trustee Rockey will send the information to Mr. Kusek for his review. The Village will also need to double check necessary easements from the school district and private property owners. The board members were interested in the plan but need to gather further information.

- C. Open Bids and Award Contract for Mowing Bid # 1 (Village Park). The board opened bids from Trusted Lawn Care (\$150.00 per mow) and Jaegle Lawn Service (\$100 per mow). Trustee Koetz made a motion to accept the bid from Jaegle Lawn Service; second by Trustee Olney. Ayes: Stricklin, Hinterlong, Olney, Rockey, Koetz, Hettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- D. Open Bids and Award Contract for Mowing Bid # 2 (Village Properties). The board opened bids from Trusted Lawn Care (\$150.00 per mow) and Jaegle Lawn Service (\$175 per mow). It was noted the Trusted Lawn Care bid included rates for additional charges. Trustee Olney made a motion to accept the bid from Jaegle Lawn Service; second by Trustee Koetz. Ayes: Stricklin, Hinterlong, Olney, Rockey, Koetz, Hettel. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Trustee Stricklin left the meeting.

E. Open Bids and Award Contract for Park Maintenance. The board opened bids from Jim Stricklin (\$140/week); Fulkerson (\$112.00 per week) and Raymond Hladovcak (\$250 per week). Trustee Koetz made a motion to reject all the bids; second by Trustee Olney. Ayes: Hinterlong, Olney, Rockey, Koetz, Hettel. Nays: None. Absent: Stricklin. Motion carried.

Trustee Stricklin returned to the meeting.

F. Real Estate Purchase. Mayor Hines reported the Long Range Planning Committee suggested the board look at real estate options for future development, including for a sewer treatment plant which will be coming in future years. Mayor Hines was contacted and the School District is interested in discussing selling real estate to the Village. It was noted that the sewer plant must be to the north. The consensus of the board was to follow-up with the School District. Mayor Hines also informed the board that the Village Engineer has prepared a grant application for constructing a new Village Hall.

Engineer's Report. None.

Committee Reports.

A. <u>Streets and Alleys</u>. Trustee Rockey reported he has met with D & D Pavement Solutions and reviewed areas in town needing attention. He noted it does not make sense to pave any village streets before the sewer treatment plant is constructed. The contractor will bill \$6,000 a day for crack sealing and \$6,000 a day for spray patching. Areas needing attention were reviewed. The board had appropriated sufficient funds for road repair work. It was the consensus of the board to move forward with the spray patching and crack sealing work and to reserve the company for two days. Trustee Rockey also

noted he has been working on gravel berms and alley extension work. He advised the alley behind the Village Hall is completed and looks good.

- B. <u>Building Permits</u>. Trustee Hettel noted that a new house permit will be coming in soon when the location is decided upon.
- **C.** <u>Water</u>. Trustee Hettel reported that Village hydrants were flushed last week. Heaters for the water building will be installed in May. TEST sent notices about testing to be done.
- D. <u>Police</u>. Trustee Koetz advised the parking signs in the 400 block of Main Street have been installed. She also reported Chief Jabczynski is waiting on a quote from Durdan Electric for hardwiring of the LED stop signs on Main Street. K9 Gus has passed his yearly drug detection certification. Non highway vehicle registration stickers have been ordered from Designs and Signs.
- E. <u>Health & Storm Drains</u>. Trustee Koetz reported she will be scheduling the storm drains to be cleaned out for the end of April and the mosquito abatement program will be done at that time as well.
- F. Park. Trustee Hinterlong reported the Park Committee had another meeting. Mike Harden has cleaned out the shelter building and it will be painted. Pete Johnston has been assisting with wiring and lighting. The double doors are working. The committee will also be working on fundraising projects. A sign will be posted showing progress on fundraising for park improvements. The committee is always looking for additional volunteers. The Village will reapply for an OSLAD grant.

Mayor's Report. Mayor Hines reported the Village received a thank you note from the school.

<u>Adjournment</u>. Trustee Koetz made a motion to adjourn; second by Trustee Stricklin. The meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheryl Churney, Secretary Pro Tem

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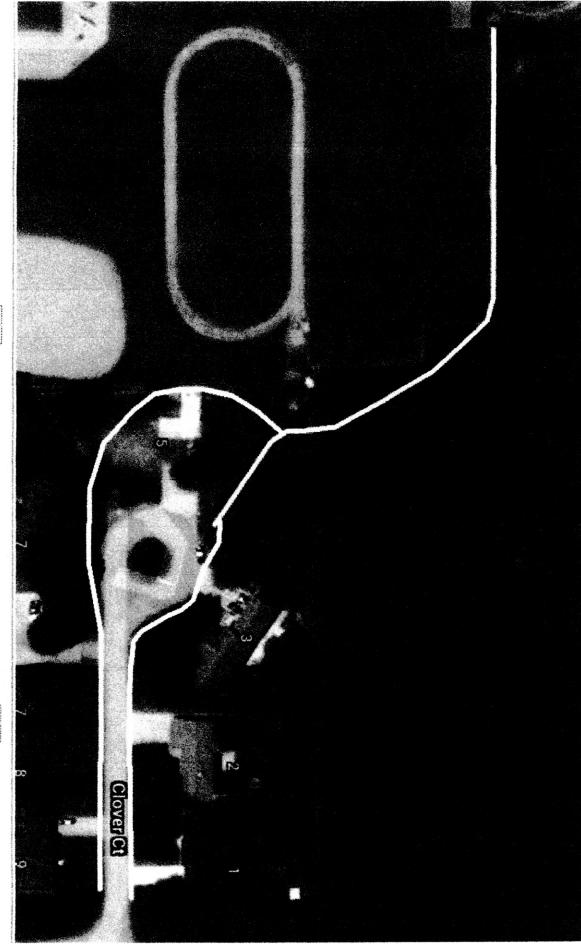
ADDRESS /illage of Grand Ridge			ISHMAH DAH	1304 03/14/2024	
DAH	ACHVHY	DESCRIPTION	OIY	RAJI	1210121
		Install tile around along roads to take away sump pump and gutter water to dry up ditches and basements			0.00
	hoe in tile, excavator	hoe in tile on grade and backfill 8" dual wall berforated tile	1,655	7.00	11,585.00
	8 dw march	8" dual wall perforated tile 5000	1,039	7.50	7,792.50
	12 sw	12" single wall solid tile	616	7.25	4,466.00
	fittings	tile fittings	1	450.00	450.00
	Travel one way	mobilization of materials, machines and crew to job	1	100.00	100.00
	existing tile connection	connect or repair existing tile damaged from trencher	4	50.00	200.00
	utility crossing	crossing a utility with a tile, hand digging around utility	10	200.00	2,000.00
	laborer	Man per hour labor cut and repair driveways	16	75.00	1,200.00
	gravel, delivered	Gravel delivered to jobsite to backfill driveways	1	500.00	500.00
	concrete labor	concrete materials to patch driveways	1	500.00	500.00

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Legend

12 single wall solid tile 8 dual wall solid tile

1039 ft

616 ft