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GRATTAN TOWNSHIP BOARD
Final Budget Review February 26, 2007
12050 Old Belding Road

Call to Order/Roll Call

Supervisor Frank Force called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
The Pledge of Allegiance followed

Board Members Present

Supervisor Frank Force, Clerk Jim Fues, Treasurer Sabrina Freeman and Trustee Paul Knoerl

Board Members Absent - Trustee Dennis Heffron, excused

Approval of Agenda

J. Fues moved and P. Knoerl supported to approve agenda as amended. **All Ayes**

Officers Report

February 22, 2007 Special Meeting Minutes

J. Fues moved and S. Freeman supported to approve the February 22, 2007 special meeting minutes as written. **All Ayes**

Working Agenda

Public Comments

No public comments

Old Business

2007 / 2008 Budget Review

Board discussed that there **are** monies in the 2007/2008 budget for painting and new carpet for the Township offices and hall.

Board confirmed that \$10,000 was in the 2007/2008 budget for PDR (Purchase of Development Rights) program.

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Board confirmed that money for preliminary engineering study concerning irrigation system at Grattan/Vergennes sewer site was in the 2007/2008 budget. Also discussed that Valley Irrigation would be providing us recommendations as well.

Supervisor F. Force noted that the pump station #10 on Causeway at Murray Lake is in need of new non-clog pumps and piping. Board approved monies to complete this work in the spring when new guide rails are installed. The payback should be 6-8 months on this due to high maintenance costs at this station.

Board discussed positive and negatives of raising sewer usage fees.

Board agreed the Township would pay committee members ½ day of pay (\$45.00) for offsite training that the Township requires. They would also receive mileage. Monies put in the 2007/2008 budget to cover this cost.

Board confirmed \$200.00 for Trustee mileage in the 2007/2008 budget.

Board discussed adjusting Fire Dept Operations reserves/Fund Balance Carry Forward.

Board confirmed weed control budget for 2007/2008 budget.

Approved budget and expenditures for 2007 / 2008 Proposed budget

General Fund Budget

P. Knoerl moved and J. Fues supported to approve the 2007/2008 General Fund Budget for amount of \$560,720.00 **All Ayes**

Fire Department Operations Budget

P. Knoerl moved and S. Freeman supported to approve the 2007/2008 Fire Department Operations Budget for amount of \$141,145.00 **All Ayes**

Fire Department Equipment Budget

P. Knoerl moved and J. Fues supported to approve the 2007/2008 Fire Department Equipment Budget for amount of \$75,243.00 **All Ayes**

Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget

F. Force moved and J. Fues supported to approve the 2007/2008 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget for amount of \$379,769.00 **All Ayes**

Sewer Line Cleaning / Improvement Budget

F. Force moved and J. Fues supported to approve the 2007/2008 Sewer Line Cleaning / Improvement Budget for amount of \$248,894.00 **All Ayes**

Big Pine Island Weed Budget

S. Freeman moved and P. Knoerl supported to approve the 2007/2008 Big Pine Island Weed Budget for amount of \$40,400.00 **All Ayes**

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Big Crooked Lake Weed Budget

S. Freeman moved and P. Knoerl supported to approve the 2007/2008 Big Crooked Lake Weed Budget for amount of \$16,197.00 **All Ayes**

Cowan Lake Weed Budget

S. Freeman moved and P. Knoerl supported to approve the 2007/2008 Cowan Lake Weed Budget for amount of \$26,291.00 **All Ayes**

Round Lake Weed Budget

S. Freeman moved and P. Knoerl supported to approve the 2007/2008 Round Lake Weed Budget for amount of \$4,200.00 **All Ayes**

New Business

Fee Resolution

P. Knoerl moved and J. Fues supported to adopt resolution 07-008 as amended. This resolution will establish certain township fees and charges. **Roll Call: 4-eyes, 0-nays.**

The board agreed the Township needs to enforce the ordinance and conditions of the special use permit that Mr. Grile agreed to when he built the store.

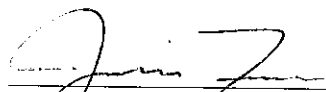
Board Member Communications

Meeting Dates

March 12, 2007	Regular Board Meeting at 7:00 pm
March 26, 2007	Public Hearing of Budget 7:00 pm


Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



Jim Fues, Township Clerk

3-31-07
Date



Franklin J. Force, Township Supervisor

3-20-07
Date

Recording Secretary,
Monica Burt