

**GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
December 16, 2014**

A meeting of the Grand Rapids Charter Township Board was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Michael DeVries. The meeting was held in the Township Hall. The following were present: Supervisor Michael DeVries, Clerk Edward Robinette, Treasurer Chris Afendoulis, Trustees Rusty Merchant, Robert Roth, David Van Dyke and Lee Van Popering. There were five people in the audience.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

2. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT.

There was no public comment.

REQUEST TO AMEND THE AGENDA:

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved the addition of the purchase of a computer to Item 7. The motion passed unanimously.

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Chris Afendoulis, moved the addition of the purchase of office chairs to the Bills to be Paid. The motion passed unanimously.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 2, 2014.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Rusty Merchant, moved approval of the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

4. CONSIDER BILLS TO BE PAID.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Robert Roth, moved payment of the bills as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

5. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF 911 DISPATCH CHANGE.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Robert Roth, moved approval of the Resolution as presented. A roll call vote was taken:

AYES: Afendoulis, DeVries, Robinette, Van Popering

NAYS: Merchant, Roth, Van Dyke

ABSENT: None

The Resolution is approved.

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 2015 LAWN SERVICE PROPOSAL.

Robert Roth, seconded by Rusty Merchant, moved approval of the proposal as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF A PRINTER AND COMPUTER.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Rusty Merchant, moved approval of the purchase of a printer in an amount not to exceed \$849.98 and a computer in an amount not to exceed \$700.00. The motion passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 5 YEAR EXTENSION TO THE WATER & SANITARY SEWER AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS.

Lee Van Popering made a motion to table the Extension Agreement until information regarding connection fees is received from the Rate Review Sub Committee of the Utility Advisory Board. The motion to table was approved.

9. CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE RESIGNATION AND REPLACEMENT OF THE TOWNSHIP TREASURER.

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved to accept the resignation of Treasurer Chris Afendoulis. The motion passed unanimously.

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved the appointment of David A. Van Dyke to the office of Treasurer for the remainder of the term. The motion passed unanimously.

Edward Robinette, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved appointment of David M. Pierangeli to the office of Trustee for the remainder of the term. The motion passed unanimously.

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF 533 EAST BELTLINE AVE SE.

Robert Roth, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved approval of the Purchase of 533 East Beltline Ave SE in the amount of \$100,000, and amend General Fund line item #101-756-976 from 0 to \$100,000, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

11. BOARD COMMENTS:

The board expressed their appreciation for the years of service of Chris Afendoulis and wished him well in his new office of State Representative.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS. There were none.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 pm.