

**GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MARCH 16, 2010**

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 Janice Hulbert, Treasurer Chris Afendoulis and Trustees Rusty Merchant, Edward Robinette, James Saalfeld and Lee VanPopering. There were nine people in the audience.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

2. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT.

The person who installed the new sign at Kennedy Floral on November 27, 2009, asked questions about the proposed sign ordinance amendments and the legality of the sign at Kennedy Floral.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING, MARCH 2, 2010.

Lee VanPopering, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to approve the minutes of the regular Township Board meeting on March 2, 2010. Motion passed unanimously.

4. CONSIDER BILLS TO BE PAID.

Edward Robinette, seconded by Lee VanPopering, moved to approve the bills to be paid as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

5. DEAN LAKE AQUATIC WEED CONTROL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT.

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee VanPopering, moved to open the Public Hearing.

AYES: Afendoulis, DeVries, Hulbert, Merchant, Robinette, Saalfeld,
VanPopering

NAYS: None

Richard Ryder, 3528 Dean Lake Ave., asked for information regarding the amount of assessment. Michael DeVries explained the process for assessments.

Rusty Merchant, seconded by James Saalfeld, moved to close the Public Hearing.

AYES: Afendoulis, DeVries, Hulbert, Merchant, Robinette, Saalfeld,
VanPopering
NAYS: None

Edward Robinette, seconded by James Saalfeld, moved to approve SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION NO. 4, CONFIRMATION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL; LIEN; PAYMENT AND COLLECTION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT.

AYES: Afendoulis, DeVries, Hulbert, Merchant, Robinette, Saalfeld,
VanPopering
NAYS: None

6. FIRST READING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 474, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GRAND RAPIDS.

Proposed Ordinance No. 474 was presented to the Board. The Proposed Ordinance will be considered for adoption at the regular Township Board meeting on April 6, 2010.

7. REGIS – DISCUSSION REGARDING PARTICIPATION.

A memo was received from Richard Sprague, Township Planner, as Grand Rapids Township's representative on the REGIS Board. He explained the benefits of membership for Grand Rapids Township staff and residents.

BOARD COMMENTS: There were no Board comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm.

Janice K. Hulbert, Clerk
GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP