

PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GRAND RAPIDS

Minutes of the March 10, 2003 Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Grand Rapids Charter Township Planning Commission was held at the Township Hall at approximately 4:10 p.m. on March 10, 2003. Planning Commissioners present were Steve Fry, Mike Fuller, Wayne Harrall, Rusty Merchant, Susan Lovell and Dave Van Dyke. Also present were Sue Thomas, Township Planner and Mark Sisson, Consultant.

Dave Van Dyke, seconded by Susan Lovell, moved to approve the work session minutes of February 24, 2003. Motion passed unanimously.

The Commission reviewed and discussed proposed supplements to the Special Land Use chapter, including providing provisions for commercial greenhouses and landscape contractors; educational and religious retreats; regional cultural facilities including zoos; and mineral mining. The Commission decided not to allow RV camping in conjunction with educational and religious retreats and extensively discussed the design criteria for regional cultural facilities and requiring a development impact study for all cultural facilities applicants. The Commission expressed a desire to take a look at the proposed regional cultural facilities special land use provisions again. Finally, the first draft of the special land use mining provisions and the correlating changes to Ordinance No. 250 were reviewed.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:15 p.m.

Susan Thomas, Acting Secretary