

**GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 20, 2007**

A meeting of the Grand Rapids Charter Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Michael DeVries in the Township Hall. The following persons were present: Supervisor Michael J. DeVries, Trustees Lee VanPopering, Edward J. Robinette, Chris Afendoulis, and Rusty C. Merchant. Absent were Clerk Janice K. Hulbert and Treasurer Angela M. Weiss. There were approximately 15 people present in the audience.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
2. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT.

There were no public comments.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF FEBRUARY 6, 2007.

Lee VanPopering, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to approve the minutes as presented. 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. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO PURCHASE COMPUTER EQUIPMENT.

Edward Robinette, seconded by Rusty Merchant, moved to approve the purchase of computer equipment in the amount of \$1,850.24. Motion passed unanimously.

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO HIRE PAID-ON-CALL FIREFIGHTER.

Lee VanPopering, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to hire Joshua McConkie as a Paid-on-Call Firefighter. Motion passed unanimously.

7. PUBLIC HEARING ON CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY DEVELOPMENT AND FINANCING PLAN.

Chris Afendoulis, seconded by Lee VanPopering, moved to open the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

Dudley Larson, Dudley Party Store, asked the Township Board if they know of any new businesses moving into the area.

Melinda Sletcher asked if the Rapid Bus would go further into the Township.

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Chris Afendoulis, moved to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Michael DeVries mentioned that the public could find out when the Corridor Improvement Authority meetings are held by a notice being posted in the neighborhood, posted at the Township Hall, and a posting in the Advance Newspaper.

He also mentioned the members of the Authority as Ron Abbott, Charlene Boylan, Bob Daverman, John Clark, Linda Pestka, and Michael DeVries.

8. KENT COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION 2007 PREVIEW.

The Board briefly discussed the 2007 road priorities from the 2007 Kent County Road Commission information sheets..

9. BOARD COMMENTS.

There were no Board comments.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

There were no public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,