

**GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
APRIL 1, 2008**

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, Treasurer Chris Afendoulis, Clerk Janice Hulbert and Trustees Rusty Merchant, Edward Robinette, James Saalfeld and Lee VanPopering. There were 6 people in the audience.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

2. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT.

Ted Siereveld, 2714 McIntosh NE, asked questions about the bills to be paid.

Michael DeVries requested permission to add an item to this meeting agenda: Letter from Robert Radakovitz regarding dismissal of paid-on-call firefighter. Lee VanPopering, seconded by Rusty Merchant, moved to approve the request to add Item 9 to the agenda. Motion approved unanimously.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING, MARCH 18, 2008.

Edward Robinette, seconded by Chris Afendoulis, moved to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

4. CONSIDER BILLS TO BE PAID.

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

5. CONSIDER CASH DISBURSEMENTS.

Edward Robinette, seconded by Lee VanPopering, moved to approve the cash disbursements as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER FOR FAMOUS DAVE'S.

Michael DeVries explained a request was received for a transfer of Liquor License from Team R N'B Michigan LLC to Team R N'B Wisconsin.

Lee VanPopering, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to approve the request for liquor license transfer as requested. Motion passed unanimously.

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE PURCHASE.

A proposal for accounting software including setup, data conversions, training and implementation was received from BS&A Software in the amount of \$29,680. The software would replace current accounting software.

Chris Afendoulis, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to approve the request for accounting software from BS&A in the amount of \$29,680. Motion passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF KNAPP STREET SCHOOLHOUSE ROOF REPAIR EXPENSES.

A letter was received from Bob Versluys regarding the repair of the schoolhouse roof. The Building Committee proposes to replace the shingles on the schoolhouse. Lee VanPopering requested time to review proposals from vendors.

Rusty Merchant, seconded by James Saalfeld, moved to approve the replacement of shingles on the schoolhouse after consultation with Lee VanPopering. Motion passed unanimously.

9. LETTER FROM ROBERT RADAKOVITZ REGARDING DISMISSAL OF PAID-ON-CALL FIREFIGHTER.

Robert Radakovitz, Director of Public Safety, recommended that probationary paid-on-call firefighter Gregory Niedzwiecki's employment be terminated effective Thursday, March 27, 2008.

Lee VanPopering, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to affirm the dismissal of probationary paid-on-call firefighter Gregory Niedzwiecki. Motion passed unanimously.

BOARD COMMENTS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS were accepted.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Janice K. Hulbert, Clerk
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