

**GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 17, 2009**

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 Edward Robinette, James Saalfeld and Lee VanPopering. Trustee Rusty Merchant was absent. There were six people in the audience.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

2. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT.

Comments were accepted from the audience regarding requesting consideration of the GO BUS.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING, NOVEMBER 3, 2009.

Lee VanPopering, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to approve the minutes of the regular Township Board meeting on November 3, 2009. 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 AUTHORIZATION TO CERTIFY DELINQUENT FEES TO TAX ROLL.

A request was received from Deputy Treasurer, Sue Cady, to certify delinquent sewer and water bills and delinquent special assessments to the 2009 winter tax roll. Lee VanPopering, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to certify the list of delinquent sewer, water and special assessments to the 2009 winter tax roll as requested. Motion passed unanimously.

6. CLARIFICATION AND CORRECTION OF 2010 BUDGET RESOLUTION.

Michael DeVries explained that some of the information for the 2010 budget was omitted at the meeting of November 3, 2009. Corrected budgets were presented and explained.

Lee VanPopering, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to rescind the 2010 Budget Resolution that was approved on November 3, 2009 and adopt the current 2010 Budget Resolution as presented.

Ayes: Afendoulis, DeVries, Hulbert, Robinette, Saalfeld, VanPopering

Nays: None

Absent: Merchant

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF \$1094 ADDITIONAL FOR TRAIL DONOR RECOGNITION SITE.

Michael DeVries requested an additional \$1094 for the trail donor recognition site due to the change of a stone work bench instead of concrete supports. Edward Robinette, seconded by Lee

VanPopering, moved to approve the additional \$1094 from the General Fund for the change in the trail donor recognition site. Motion passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 2009-2010 SNOW PLOWING CONTRACT.

A memo was received from Robert Versluys, Facilities Manager, recommending the low bid for 2009-2010 snow plowing from Tender Lawn Care at \$5200. Edward Robinette, seconded by Lee VanPopering, moved to approve the 2009-2010 snow plowing contract to Tender Lawn Care. Motion passed unanimously.

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER.

A request for liquor license transfer for Famous Dave's was received from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. Lee VanPopering, seconded by James Saalfeld, moved to approve the request for liquor license transfer as requested. Motion passed unanimously.

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROPERTY TRANSFER.

Michael DeVries explained that he was notified of a deed error from the 1960s regarding 150 Morningside Drive SE – LOT 194 ALSO LOT 195 EX COM AT NW COR OF LOT 195 TH SELY TO A PT ON S LINE THEREOF WHICH IS 14.6 FT W FROM SE COR THEREOF TH W TO SW COR THEREOF TH N TO BEG *BEVERLY HILLS (Parcel # 41-14-27-434-014). Edward Robinette, seconded by Lee VanPopering, moved to approve a quit-claim deed for the property as presented.

Ayes: Afendoulis, DeVries, Hulbert, Robinette, Saalfeld, VanPopering

Nays: None

Absent: Merchant

11. REQUEST TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A NEW FIRE TRUCK.

A letter was received from Director of Public Safety, Robert Radakovitz, regarding a request to purchase a new fire truck – pumper. Lee VanPopering, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to approve the purchase of a new fire truck from Spencer Manufacturing Inc. for \$377,500 to be paid for and delivered in the first quarter of 2011. Motion passed unanimously.

BOARD COMMENTS: Board comments were accepted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Public comments were accepted.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Janice K. Hulbert, Clerk
GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP