

**GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
August 6, 2014**

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 Edward Robinette, Treasurer Chris Afendoulis, and Trustees Rusty Merchant, Robert Roth, David Van Dyke, and Lee Van Popering. There were five people in the audience.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

2. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT.

There was no public comment.

The Supervisor asked for a motion to add the following to the Bills To Be Paid: The list of Election Worker Pay totaling \$9869.00, and a bill from Redline Excavating for \$14,800.32. Lee Van Popering, seconded by Rusty Merchant, moved to amend the Bills To Be Paid as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF JULY 15, 2014.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Rusty Merchant, moved approval of the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

4. CONSIDER CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved approval of the Cash Disbursements as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

5. CONSIDER BILLS TO BE PAID.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Rusty Merchant, moved payment of the bills as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

6. PUBLIC HEARING, RE: CELADON PUD AMENDMENT.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by David Van Dyke, moved to open the Public Hearing. The motion passed unanimously. Hearing no comment, Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved to close the Public Hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

7. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 498, CELADON PUD AMENDMENT.

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved approval of Ordinance 498 Celadon PUD Amendment as presented. A Roll call vote was cast:

AYES: VanDyke, VanPopering, Afendoulis, DeVries, Merchant, Robinette, Roth.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Ordinance No. 498 Celadon PUD Amendment is approved.

8. CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

The Personnel Committee met at 6:30 pm on August 6, 2014. Chairman Robert Roth, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved that the Board accept the Committee's Proposed Wage Benefit proposals for inclusion in the upcoming 2015 Budget. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Roth, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved to authorize Supervisor DeVries to negotiate with Dave Jager for contractual services in the Assessing Department and also negotiate with Bryan Jager for employment in the Assessing Department as Deputy Assessor. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Roth reported that the committee recommends maintaining the status quo with regards to the Township Health Insurance Plan while possible.

BOARD COMMENTS: There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Carlo Vanin of 3333 Mahogany Ct. NE had comments regarding the efficiency of the Township Government.

The meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm.

Edward J. Robinette, Clerk
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