

**GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
December 1, 2015**

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 David Van Dyke, Trustees Rusty Merchant, David Pierangeli, and Lee Van Popering. Trustee Robert Roth was absent. There were four people in the audience.

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

**2. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT.**

There was no public comment.

**3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2015.**

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 David Pierangeli, moved approval of the bills as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**6. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION FOR ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 508, RE: REZONING OF UNIVERSAL FOREST PRODUCTS PROPERTY FROM R-1, C-1, & C-2 TO O-PUD.**

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved to open the Public Hearing. The motion passed unanimously. There were no public comments. Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved to close the Public Hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

Rusty Merchant, seconded by David Pierangeli, moved to adopt Ordinance 508 as presented. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Van Dyke, Van Popering, DeVries, Merchant, Pierangeli, Robinette

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Roth

Ordinance 508 is declared adopted.

**7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 2015 EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS.**

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

**8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 2016 ADVANCE NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION RATES.**

Lee Van Popering, seconded by David Van Dyke, moved approval of the MLive/Advance Newspapers bid as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SCBA BOTTLE REFILL SYSTEM.**

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved approval of the request to spend up to \$45,000 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE BID TO EXTEND IRRIGATION IN CRAHEN VALLEY PARK.**

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

**11. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO AMEND THE GRAND RAPIDS TOWNSHIP/CONSUMERS ENERGY STREET LIGHTING CONTRACT.**

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Rusty Merchant, moved approval of the change in the lighting contract as presented and authorized the Clerk to sign on behalf of the Township. The motion passed unanimously.

**12. BOARD COMMENTS.** There were none.

**13. PUBLIC COMMENTS.** There were none.

**14. ADJOURNMENT.** The meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Edward J. Robinette, Clerk  
GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP