

**GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
October 1, 2019**

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, and Trustees Vas Christopoulos, Lee Van Popering, and Philip Yeiter. Trustee David Pierangeli was absent. There were five people in the audience.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

2. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT. There were none.

The Township Board welcomed Chief John Lovins to our meeting this evening. Chief Lovins is beginning his 6th week of employment as our Fire Chief and expressed his positive impressions of the department and his pleasure to be here.

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2019.

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

4. CONSIDER CASH DISBURSEMENTS.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Vas Christopoulos, moved approval of the cash disbursements as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

5. CONSIDER BILLS TO BE PAID.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Philip Yeiter, moved approval of the bills as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

6. CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO ORDER TOWNSHIP VEHICLE.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Vas Christopoulos, moved approval of the purchase as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

7. CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND UP TO \$19,000 FOR COUNTY DRAIN WORK.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Philip Yeiter, moved approval of the expenditure of up to \$19,000 as requested. The motion passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYMENT FOR TRAIL REPAIR.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by David Van Dyke, moved approval of the payment of \$163,362.55 to Jordan Intercoastal, Inc. for Township pathway repaving. The motion passed unanimously.

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9. CONSIDER REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE ZBA AND BROWNFIELD AUTHORITY.

Edward Robinette, seconded by Vas Christopoulos, moved to appoint Jim Kubicek and George Orphan to 3 year terms to the ZBA and David Van Dyke to a 3 year term on the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. The motion passed unanimously.

10. BOARD COMMENTS. The Supervisor requested input from board members regarding a Township Sidewalk Policy as a potential policy is considered.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS. Liz Helminski, of 3450 Michigan NE, requested assistance in contacting the Kent County Road Commission regarding a drainage project proposed for the frontage of her property.

12. ADJOURNMENT. The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 pm.

Edward J. Robinette, Clerk
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