

**GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2007**

A meeting of the Grand Rapids Charter Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Michael J. DeVries in the Township Hall. The following persons were present: Supervisor Michael J. DeVries, Treasurer Angela M. Weiss, Trustees Lee VanPopering, Edward J. Robinette, and Chris Afendoulis. Absent were Clerk Janice K. Hulbert and Trustee Rusty C. Merchant. There were approximately 2 people present in the audience.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
2. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT.

There were no public comments.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF JULY 17, 2007.

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

4. CONSIDER BILLS TO BE PAID.

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

5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS.

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

6. CONSIDER ORDINANCE #457 FOR ADOPTION.

Lee VanPopering, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to approve Ordinance #457, Signage at 3210 Eagle Run Drive and 3230 Eagle Park Drive.

Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent.

7. CONSIDER HIDDEN LAKE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT RESOLUTION.

This item is scheduled for August 21, 2007 and was not discussed at this time.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF INCREASE IN MISCELLANEOUS MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT.

Lee VanPopering, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to approve an increase of \$300.00 in Miscellaneous Medical Reimbursement for non-union personnel for 2007. Motion passed unanimously.

9. CONSIDER LEGAL COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH ADA AND CASCADE TOWNSHIPS.

Discussions with Grand Rapids Township, Ada Township and Cascade Township are being held regarding potentially developing a fire department that would provide fire protection services to all three Townships. The discussion group is requesting legal advice and proposes a cost sharing agreement. Lee VanPopering, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to approve equal cost share of legal services with Grand Rapids, Ada and Cascade townships, provided by Nantz, Litowich, Smith, Girard & Hamilton, in the amount of \$195.00 per hour. Motion passed unanimously.

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY.

Chris Afendoulis, seconded by Edward Robinette, moved to approve Resolution To Provide For the Designation of September 21, 2007, As Prisoner of War-Missing In Action Recognition Day . Motion passed unanimously.

11. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF TREE REMOVAL EXPENSE FOR MARTIN CEMETERY.

Edward Robinette, seconded by Lee VanPopering, moved to authorize spending \$1,255.00 for Martin Cemetery tree removal. Motion passed unanimously.

12. BOARD COMMENTS.

Board comments were accepted.

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

Public comments were accepted.

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,