

**GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
April 19, 2016**

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 Trustee Lee Van Popering. Trustees Rusty Merchant, Robert Roth, and David Pierangeli were absent. There was no one in the audience.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

2. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT. There were none.

Supervisor DeVries asked the board to amend the agenda as follows:

Amend the bills to be paid by adding a bill for postage to Kent Communications Inc.

Add item 9. Approve the ballot language for the Public Safety Millage Renewal.

Add item 10. A request for funds for an appraisal of 2750 East Beltline Ave NE.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by David Van Dyke, moved to amend the agenda as requested. The motion passed unanimously.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OF APRIL 5, 2016.

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

4. CONSIDER BILLS TO BE PAID.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by David Van Dyke, moved payment of the bills as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE OUTDOOR ASSEMBLY PERMITS FOR THE CELADON CONCERT SERIES.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by David Van Dyke, moved approval of the permits as requested. The motion passed unanimously.

6. CONSIDER THE APPOINTMENT OF GRAND RAPIDS TOWNSHIP SAFETY COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by David Van Dyke, moved approval of the appointments of Stephen Hicks and Luke Werdon to the Safety Committee as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

7. REPORTS TO THE TOWNSHIP BOARD:

a) MULTIYEAR REVENUE / EXPENDITURE REPORT

b) 2016 1ST QUARTER BUDGET REPORT

c) 2016 1ST QUARTER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Lee Van Popering, seconded by David Van Dyke, moved to receive and file the reports as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BID AWARD FOR CRAHEN VALLEY PARK PARKING LOT AND EAST RIDGE TRAIL.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by David Van Dyke, moved to award the bid as recommended by the Township Engineer to Flier Brothers Independent Excavators LLC. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Robinette, Van Dyke, Van Popering, DeVries

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Merchant, Pierangeli, Roth

The bid award was approved.

9. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BALLOT PROPOSAL FOR RENEWAL OF PUBLIC SAFETY MILLAGE, TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY PURPOSES WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by David Van Dyke, moved approval of the resolution as presented. A roll call vote was taken:

AYES: Robinette, Van Dyke, Van Popering, DeVries

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Merchant, Pierangeli, Roth

The Resolution is adopted.

10. CONSIDER REQUEST FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES FOR TAX TRIBUNAL PROCEEDINGS ON 2750 EAST BELTLINE NE, NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.

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

11. BOARD COMMENTS. There was a brief discussion of potential property acquisitions.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS. There were none.

13. ADJOURNMENT. The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 pm.