

**GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
October 2, 2012**

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, Trustees Rusty Merchant, Dave Van Dyke, and Lee Van Popering. Treasurer Chris Afendoulis and Trustee Robert Roth were both absent. There were three people in the audience.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

2. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT.

Representative Peter MacGregor attended the meeting and received comments regarding legislation pending in Lansing.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING, SEPTEMBER 18, 2012.

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

4. CONSIDER CASH DISBURSEMENTS.

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Rusty Merchant, moved to approve the cash disbursements as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

5. CONSIDER BILLS TO BE PAID.

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved approval of the Bills as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE CHANGES TO THE GRAND RAPIDS TOWNSHIP MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE INSURANCE POOL COVERAGE.

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved approval of the insurance policy as presented and authorizes the payment of \$17,614.06 for the 2013 policy year. Motion passed unanimously.

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE LIABILITY AND PROPERTY POOL BOARD OF DIRECTOR CANDIDATES FOR 3 YEAR TERMS.

Dave Van Dyke, seconded by Ed Robinette, moved to authorize the Clerk to submit a ballot for the election of the two incumbents to the MML Board of Directors. Motion passed unanimously.

8. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 3 YEAR PROVIDENT INSURANCE POLICY FOR GRAND RAPIDS TOWNSHIP FIREFIGHTERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,044 ANNUALLY.**

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved approval of renewing the Present Plan as presented and authorizes the payment of the first annual payment of \$3,044. Motion passed unanimously.

9. **AWARD BID FOR CONSTRUCTION OF EAST BELTLINE TRAIL SEGMENT.**

Rusty Merchant, seconded by Lee Van Popering, moved to award the bid to Dean's Landscaping & Excavating in the amount of \$82,876.06. Motion passed unanimously.

10. **PLAINFIELD AVENUE CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY PROJECT.**

The PACIA has authorized the 4 Mile Rd/Plainfield Ave. Landscape Project. The Board was given a copy of the Landscape Plan and informed as to the construction plans.

11. **CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO PAY TOWNSHIP PORTION OF CONSTRUCTION COSTS RE: 3 MILE / DUNNIGAN SEWER AND WATER PROJECT.**

Lee Van Popering, seconded by Rusty Merchant, moved to authorize the payment of \$60,000, from the Township Improvement Revolving Fund, to Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc. for construction of sanitary sewer and water main in 3 Mile Rd. and Dunnigan Avenue. Motion passed unanimously.

BOARD COMMENTS. There were no board comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS. Resident Jim Sprague of the Copperwood neighborhood expressed interest in the next phase of the bike trail on 3 Mile Rd. and Leffingwell.

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Edward J. Robinette, Clerk
GRAND RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP