

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. NOVEMBER 8, 2011.

THE SUPERVISOR LED THE BOARD IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG. THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, ROLL CALL.

ROBERT BALDWIN	SUPERVISOR
JANET CLARK	CLERK
DENISE MACFARLANE	TREASURER
NANCY STEPHAN	TRUSTEE
GARY TODD	TRUSTEE
JAMES T. PEEK	TRUSTEE
JAMES CHAPMAN	TRUSTEE

MINUTES

The clerk presented the minutes of the 10-11- 2011.

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to accept the minutes of the October 11, 2011 **MOTION CARRIED. 7 yes**

The clerk presented the minutes of the 10-20-2011 special meeting.

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to accept the minutes of the October 11, 2011 **MOTION CARRIED. 7 yes**

TREASURERS REPORT

The treasurer presented the treasurers report:

11-3-11 General fund balance	\$423,513.40
11-3-11 Sewer fund balance	\$517,139.97
General fund receipts-	\$48,724.10
Sewer fund receipts -	\$11,776.43

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to accept the treasurer’s report as presented in both funds. **MOTION CARRIED. . 7 yes**

SEWER REPORT

Dennis Vandawater presented the sewer report of Green Charter Township as follows:

Reading-----	142066320
Total Flow-----	843960
Average daily flow-----	26374

The generator replacement was discussed; the supervisor and Vandawater will meet with Straub to discuss the options.

ASSESSING REPORT

The assessing report for October from assessor E. Spalo, will be emailed to the board and placed on file.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

County Commissioner Kevin Courtney was present and reported on the following;
The animal shelter’s policy on euthanizing, M-care, and pet adoption

PARK & RECREATION

FLEIS & VANDENBRINK “TE ENHANCEMENT/TRAIL PRELIMINARY ENGINEERS ESTIMATE”
Rick Stout and Paul Galdes were present and presented to the board copies the engineer’s opinion of costs.

1. The following items/ issues were discussed;
2. Four option have presented to MDOT
3. Potential staging area for White Pine Trail
4. Grant possibilities

5. Contingent on Federal funding
6. Project pairing with MDOT
7. Include path on Mill Street for connection to White Pine Trail
8. Sidewalk – concrete
9. Projected parking spots (15) with overflow
10. Time frame for decision to move forward best if done in December 2011
11. Would need endorsement from MDOT or road commission
12. Will take to the Township Park & Recreation Committee for recommendation

OLD BUSINESS

SNOW PLOWING OF TOWNSHIP HALL PARKING LOT

Three bids had been received and opened for the snow plowing 2011-2012 season

M&M LawnCare & Snowplowing LLC, - \$50.00

Bill Korreck – Gloval Outdoor Services - \$75.00

Pro Turf Outdoor Service, LLC - \$30.00 (*sealed bid envelope did not include proof of insurance*)

MOTION was made by N. Stephan and supported by G. Todd to contract with M&M for the snowplowing at the township hall. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES** - Peek, Chapman, Clark, Baldwin, MacFarlane, Todd, Stephan

CEMETERY ORDINANCE DRAFT

The 3rd draft of the Cemetery Ordinance was presented to the board for review. There was a discussion on the following items that need to be included.

- Solar lights in cemetery with a sunset clause included
- Burials as long as weather permits

TREE REMOVAL AT WEST CEMETERY

Continuing to get quotes/estimates.

BIG RAPIDS LIBRARY

N. Stephan reported on the Big Rapids Library, explaining the design team for the library are expected to have the options with costs to the Big Rapids Library Board, November 21, 2011.

The following reports has been received.

- Patron counts by type – October, 2011
- Checkout (items) statistics 2011-2012
- Taxable Value and Penal Fines by Township and year

COUNTRY MANOR ESTATES

The following was discussed;

Connect & Disconnect fees

FOIA request by Mr. Smith

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to send a letter of explanation to Country Manor, Mr. Smith, that this day forward the sewer charges will be based on connect and disconnect permits that are required to be obtained by the property owner. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES**

SEWER USERCHARGE

The supervisor reported that the sewer committee is hoping to have the Sewer Usercharge completed by the end of this year.

NEW BUSINESS

MECOSTA COUNTY EQUALIZATION DEPT. APPORTIONMENT REPORT

This report has been received from Shila Kiander and will be placed on file.

ASSESSING SOFTWARE .NET - BS&A MODULE PROGRAM

The township assessor has notified the supervisor that there is a new program for the assessing with BS&A
The current program will not be having updates.

MECOSTA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

November 12, 2011 – Morton Township

220th BRIDGE

Concrete has been poured.

TOWNSHIP INTERNET

To date 30 customers have been connected and are happy with service.
Discussed speaking with Tucker to do a mailing to the residents who signed up for the service.
Will be looking at the township connecting with Tucker.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to approve the following amendment in the General Fund and reimburse the general fund from the sewer fund. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES**, Peek, Chapman, Clark, Baldwin, MacFarlane, Todd, Stephan

11/8/2011						
ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	ACTUAL	BUDGET	AMENDED AMOUNT	NEW BUDGET	AMENDED BALANCE
GENERAL FUND						\$ -
					\$ -	\$ -
101-289-826	ATTORNEY	\$ 3,228.10	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 171.90
from					\$ -	\$ -
101-289-956	MISC. PROF. SERVICES	\$ -	\$ 270.00	\$ (200.00)	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to approve payment of the following bills
MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES – Stephan, Todd, MacFarlane, Baldwin, Clark, Chapman, Peek

GENERAL FUND 10/13/11-11/08/11 CK #10322 - #10352 \$14,630.33

GREEN SEWER FUND 11/0811 - 11/08/11 CK # 2818 - #2823 \$1,857.93

ADJOURNED

Supervisor Bob Baldwin closed out meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Janet Clark, Township Clerk