

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREEN CHARTER  
TOWNSHIP BOARD WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30 P.M. FEBRUARY 12, 2008.  
THE SUPERVISOR LEAD THE BOARD IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE  
FLAG.**

JOHN M. WELLNITZ,	SUPERVISOR
JANET CLARK,	CLERK
DENIS MACFARLANE	TREASURER
A. DONALD GRANT	TRUSTEE - ABSENT
GARY TODD	TRUSTEE
JAMES T. PEEK	TRUSTEE
BARBARA WALDRON	TRUSTEE

**MINUTES**

The clerk presented the minutes of the regular January 08, 2008 board meeting.

**MOTION** was made by James Peek and supported by G. Todd to accept the minutes of the January 8, 2008. **MOTION CARRIED. 6 yes 1 absent**

The clerk presented the minutes of the regular January 28, 2008 Park & Recreation meeting.

**MOTION** was made by G. Todd and supported by Denise MacFarlane to accept the minutes of January 8, 2008. **MOTION CARRIED. 6 yes 1 absent**

**TREASURERS REPORT**

The treasurer presented the treasurers report:

2-07-08 General fund balance	\$630,577.04
2-07-08 Sewer fund balance	\$437,572.14

**MOTION** was made by G. Todd and supported by J. Peek to accept the treasurer's report as presented in both funds. **MOTION CARRIED. 6 yes 1 absent**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**FIRE PROTECTION**

Warren Hansen of the Big Rapids Public Safety was in attendance to present to the board the 2007 incident report for Green Charter Township from the Big Rapids Fire Department.

**SEWER REPORT**

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

1/01/08-1/31 /08

Reading-----103204050

Total Flow-----971990

Average daily flow-----32400 All is working fine.

**PARKS & RECREATION**

Karen Motawi of the Park & Recreation Committee presented a report to the board on the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Workshop. She met with the Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant Management person, who is new for our area. It was indicated they will work with the township in the application process of the grant application.

There was a discussion on the following:

1. Acquisition grants under \$100,000. are almost always granted with a 25% match.
2. Park development grants were discussed at the workshop.
3. Marlies of Manning Design indicated she would help with the grant applications with the help of the Park & Recreation Committee.
4. It was indicated that the Stone Hatchery Park has potential to be fundable.
5. River property across from the township hall is up for sale and there was a discussion that it might qualify for acquisition grant funding.
6. Universally accessible is a must for development funding.
7. Development grants are a two year process and it was suggested the Park & Rec. Committee begin the process.

8. There are two different deadlines for acquisition grants, April and August.
9. The board also recommended the Park & Rec. Committee continue to move forward on the development grant process for the Stone Hatchery Park.

**MOTION** was made by J. Peek and supported by B. Waldron to have the Park & Recreation Committee proceed with the acquisition and grant process with the Department of Natural Resources for the potential park river property bringing information back to the board at the March meeting. **MOTION CARRIED. 6 yes 1 absent**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Student Matt Schoner was present to observe for his high school class.

**SEWER USERCHARGE & TREATMENT PLANT**

Nothing to report the sewer committee meetings with the township attorney was postponed due to weather.

**SUMMER TAX – COLLECTION BIG RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

The approved contract has been received from Big Rapids Public Schools to have Green Charter Township collect the summer school property taxes at the rate of \$3.00 per parcel.

**MECOSTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION** will have the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual county wide meeting with the townships and other elected officials at Wheatland Township hall March 27, 2008.

**GREEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**MOTION** was made by B. Waldron and supported by J. Peek to re appoint the following to the township planning commission. **MOTION CARRIED. 6 YES 1 ABSENT**

	# YEARS	EXPIRES		APPOINTMENT
BLAKELY, GRANT	2	12/31/2009		X
CHIPMAN, JAMES	3	12/31/2010		X
JERNSTADT, WM	3	12/31/2010		X
KAILING, CAROL	3	12/31/2010		X
NELSON, JOHN	2	12/31/2009		X
PEKRUL, FRED	2	12/31/2009		X
TODD, GARY	2	12/31/2009		X

**DROP BOX EXTENSION**

There was a discussion on the need for an extension on the drop box. The board recommended it be done.

**VFW LADIES AUXILARY #4102**

**MOTION** was made by J. Peek and supported by B. Waldron to allow the VFW Ladies Auxiliary # 4102 the use of the hall with no fee for their awards banquet (they have already supplied cemetery flags and two outdoor flags for the township). **MOTION CARRIED. 6 YES 1 ABSENT**

**BUDGET AMENDMENT**

**MOTION** was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to approve the following budget amendments. **MOTION CARRIED 6 YES 1 ABSENT.** Grant – absent, Todd, MacFarlane, Wellnitz, Clark, Peek, Waldron

	C	D	E	F	G	H
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2	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>AMENDED</b>	<b>NEW</b>	<b>AMENDED</b>
3				<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>NEW</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>
4						\$ -
5	CEMETERY CAPITOL OUTLAY LAND	\$ 5,600.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 5,600.00	\$ -
6	FROM					
7	CEMETERY LARGE ASSETS	\$ 1,926.77	\$ 14,000.00	\$ (600.00)	\$ 13,400.00	\$ <b>11,473.23</b>
8					\$ -	\$ -
9	CONTRACTURAL SERV	\$ 904.77	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ <b>695.23</b>
10	FROM					
11	EDUCATION & TRAINING	\$ 1,186.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,314.00
12						

**AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**MOTION** was made by J. Peek and supported G. Todd by to approve payment of the following bills: **MOTION CARRIED. 6 YES 1 ABSENT** Waldron, Peek, Clark, Wellnitz, MacFarlane, Todd, and Grant-absent

**GENERAL FUND** 1-16-08 - 2-12-08 CK # 8427 - 8474 \$20,802.03

**GREEN SEWER FUND** 2-12-08 CK # 2341 - 2352 \$ 4,377.88

**ADJOURN**

**MOTION** was made by G. Todd and supported by B. Waldron to adjourn. 8:20 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED. 6 yes 1 absent**

Janet Clark, Township Clerk