

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREEN CHARTER  
TOWNSHIP BOARD WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30 P.M. JUNE 10, 2008.  
THE SUPERVISOR LEAD THE BOARD IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE  
FLAG.**

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

**MINUTES**

The clerk presented the minutes of the regular May13, 2008 board meeting.

**MOTION** was made by James Peek and supported by Gary Todd to accept the minutes of the May 13, 2008 meeting. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES.**

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

**MOTION** was made by G. Todd and supported by D. MacFarlane to accept the minutes of May28, 2008. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 yes**

**TREASURERS REPORT**

The treasurer presented the treasurers report:

6-05-08 General fund balance \$633,607.42

5-08-08 Sewer fund balance \$456,892.90

**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** 2 CD's mature in July

**SEWER REPORT**

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

4/01/08-4/30/08

Reading-----106977120

Total Flow-----924610

Average daily flow-----30820 all is working fine.

Lift station was pumped at the same time company was in area pumping Cities lift stations.

**PLANNING COMMITTEE**

No report.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

Mr. Courtney was present to update the township on issues of Mecosta County.

County Commissioners did approve dog licenses can be purchased from Veterinary offices for 1-3 year licenses, included on one form.

Uncollected of court fines and fees.

County recycling

All county labor contracts have been settled.

County will listen with regards to Road Commission truck purchase.

**MARKER REPAIR CRAPO CEMETERY**

**CRAPO CEMETERY**

Gary Todd-Trustee reported the estimate for the old tombstone in Crapo Cemetery was \$1,339.00

**MOTION** was made by G. Todd and supported by J. Peek replace the damaged markers in Crapo Cemetery. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES** Grant, Todd, MacFarlane, Wellnitz, Clark, Peek, Waldron

### **SEWER USERCHARGE**

The May 14, 2008 letter drafted by the township attorney James White on the Sewer User Charge Issues that was sent to the City of Big Rapids was present to the board for review. There was a discussion. If the City does not respond to the attorney or township before our July meeting we need to request they attend our meeting and stop further cost to the attorney.

### **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)**

**MOTION** was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to contract with Mecosta and Osceola-Lake Conservation Districts for the service agreement to provide proper disposal of household hazardous waste for residents of Green Charter Township.

**MOTION CARRIED. 7 yes** Grant, Todd, MacFarlane, Wellnitz, Clark, Peek, Waldron

### **SPRING 2009 CLEANUP DAY**

The consensus of the board was to schedule the next cleanup day for May 16, 2009. The supervisor will call and schedule with the waste hauler and to continue with community service workers.

### **HALL USE - START NEW PROGRAM**

There has been a request for the use of the township hall eight consecutive Sundays in September, October and November for a Start New Program to provide new Scientific Health Research, Educate on the 8 laws of health, build friendships, provide feed-back from local: Doctor, Physician, RN, Bible Counselor, Pastor. There was a discussion on scheduling.

**MOTION** was made by D. Grant and supported by J. Peek to allow the rental of the township hall for eight week consecutive session one Sunday per week with the stipulation that upon an emergency and the township needed the hall they would have to reschedule.

**MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES**

### **CEMETERY MOWING – NEW SECTIONS – WEST & CRAPO**

**MOTION** was made by J. Peek and supported by J. Clark compensate for the mowing of the new sections of West and Crapo cemeteries \$125.00 per mowing @ 3 mowing per season.

**MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES.** Grant, Todd, MacFarlane Wellnitz, Clark, Peek, Waldron

### **PARK & RECREATION – GRANT WRITING**

**MOTION** was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to use Marlies Manning for writing grants for the Parks of the township. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES**

### **NEW BENCHES HALL PARK**

J. Clark reported the benches made by the Career Center have been completed and installed. They will be donated by the Barbara and Dave Waldron Family and the Herbert & Elda Wells Family.

### **WILDFLOWER PATH**

**MOTION** was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to continue with the Wildflower path project with the estimated cost of \$3,890.00 and the Garden Club contributing \$500.00.

**MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES** Grant, Todd, MacFarlane Wellnitz, Clark, Peek, Waldron

### **CHARLIE BROWN PARK**

J. Peek discussed with the board replacement of the old backstop and old deteriorating wood posts at Charlie Brown Park, he will get price estimates.

### **KNUTH PROPERTY**

There was a discussion on the property across from the township hall that is available. No decision was made. It was suggested to gather further information.

### **CEMETERY LOT PRICES - NEW SECTIONS**

The clerk present to the board a report on cost incurred for the purchase and development of the new sections of Crapo (786 new sites) & West (988 new sites) Cemeteries. After a discussion no increase was recommended.

**AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**MOTION** was made by J. Peek and supported G. Todd by to approve payment of the following bills: **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES** Grant, Todd, MacFarlane Wellnitz, Clark, Peek, Waldron

**GENERAL FUND** 5/14/08-6/10/08 CK # 8603 - 8638 \$23,040.09

**GREEN SEWER FUND** 6/10/08-6/10/08 CK # 2383- 2391 \$2,619.75

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Resident Nancy Stephens commented on Big Rapids Golf State Championship.

N. Stephens also suggested the township consider going forth on the land purchase process with the DNR land acquisition grant, explaining it is a long process and it might be proper to go forth with small pieces. The board suggested pursuing and bringing proposals before the township board.

**ADJOURN**

**MOTION** was made by G. Todd and supported by J. Peek to adjourn. 8:50p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED. 7 yes**

Janet Clark, Township Clerk