

**GREEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP HELD A SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 17, 2009 AT 10:00 A.M.**

Board in attendance were J. Peek, J. Clark, R. Baldwin, D. MacFarlane, G. Todd,
N. Stephan, B. Waldron-absent

The meeting was call to order by Supervisor B. Baldwin who led the board with the
pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

This meeting was called to clear up any confusion on the proposed road projects for the
2009 season with the Mecosta County Road Commission.

Trustee N. Stephan questioned how did the list of road projects go from four projects to
three projects and what happened to the request for Newcosta Road repair?

The discussion was, the Road Commission indicated they did not have any money to
fund and we didn't give them any money to fund except for the \$76,000. for Round Lake
road.

When we submitted our revised priority list, they said all projects were off.

Trustee J. Peek explained he regrets the Road Commission has reneged on the 22 Mile
Road project that has been on the project list for at least 3 years. And with doing that it
was a board decision at our regular meeting to make 22 Mile as a higher priority because
of it being a primary road and carries more traffic than Round Lake Road. He further
went on to say he's discouraged because when he was at an earlier Road Commission
meeting they explained to him that Round Lake Road, needed immediate attention and
the Road Commission would do 22 Mile Road, if the township did Round Lake Road.
We as Green Charter Township followed their suggestion and they turned around and
pulled their funding on 22 Mile. The Board has to make a decision on what is the most
important road for people in township.

This meeting is to clarify that we are funding for 22 Mile and no longer funding any
money for Round Lake Road. This is to make perfectly clear. Green Township has for
35 plus years been helping the County Road Commission fund roads.

N. Stephan asks for discussion;

1. Green is paying solely for 22 Mile and has the township funded any of the other 2
miles on 22 Mile Road in previous years or is the county helping to fund?
2. Mecosta County Road Commission is helping every other township with partial
funding for roads, why not Green?
3. According to their report for road projects of 2009 Road Commission is not
helping with any funding for Green Township?
4. Is Green Charter Township the only one not funded?
5. Green Charter Township is the third most populated township and the most miles
of roads, why are we not getting tax dollars for road construction in Green?

Peek requested the township send a letter to the Mecosta County Road Commission explaining that the Township does not feel we are being treated the same as other townships or fairly in sharing road funding costs in 2009.

They flat out refused repair on Newcosta.

No commitment for cost sharing in the other 2009 projects has been received.

Discussion on what Road Commission has committed to if the township would contribute. According to the Annual report they have an excess of 1 million dollars.

The Township has committed to 22 Mile, 18 Mile, Spruce.

The Road Commission has pulled away from helping in Green Township.

We need to express to the Road Commission that Green Township will honor our commitment and are unhappy that Green Township has not been treated the same as other township in this cost sharing on road projects.

N. Stephan had concerns on the following.

The wording on the project document of 18 Mile from 205th to Shamrock not Northland Drive.

The fact that the Road Commission totally disregarded #4 the needed repair of Newcosta Avenue.

Residents comment about 22 Mile Road, was issue of water runoff from parking lot at St. Anne's church.

Heavy truck traffic on 22 Mile Road is a problem.

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to approve the contract as written to clarifying the road project list with these estimates per the Mecosta County Road Commission's bid estimate:

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| 1. 22 Mile Road Bituminous surfacing | \$80,576.00 |
| 2. 18 Mile Road | \$ 4,373.00 |
| 3. Spruce Road | \$ 9,065.00 |
| Total | \$94,014.00 |

MOTION CARRIED, 5 YES 1 NO 1 ABSENT

Todd, MacFarlane, Baldwin, Clark, Peek, Stephan-No, Waldron-absent

Trustee J. Peek requested to have the minutes reflect;

We have a history as helping the Road Commission getting road projects done in Green Charter Township.

The board feels Green Charter Township is not being treated the same as other townships for road funding, with tax money in 2009 for Mecosta County.

They flat out refused Newcosta Avenue.

Concerned, at the road commission meeting J. Peek attended they said they would do 22 Mile Rd if we would do Round Lake Road.

Not gotten positive treatment from Mecosta Co. Road Commission.

According to the 2008-2009 they have money in reserve, (page 16).

The township is not obligated to spend any money on roads.

Big Rapids Township will share half the cost on 18 Mile.

LIBRARY

1. The Big Rapids City Proposed District Library following points was discussed.
2. Big Rapids City wants more funding for the library so they can contribute less from general fund.
3. Should the township send a letter to Big Rapids Public School Board explaining Green Charter Township would like to speak with their board on the District Library issue.
4. Big Rapids City Commission has requested a letter from the township explaining our position on the District Library.
5. Need a report of current report of users, (individuals) of the library from Green Charter Township.
6. Discussed the issue of City Mayor wanting a decision on the proposed District Library at their June 29 meeting

SEWER

Green Charter Township took issue in the Usercharge City report with the \$661,000. removed from the sewer fund for the down town development.

Report received on the treatment plant indicates project is going well.
No update received from City from DEQ on violations.

GREENHAVEN PERPETUAL YARD SALE

N. Stephan received a complaint about a perpetual yard sale in Green Haven subdivision. There was a discussion. The township does not have an ordinance prohibiting it, however, there may be regulations in the Mecosta County zoning ordinance.

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to adjourn at 11 a.m.
MOTION CARRIED.

Janet Clark, Clerk
Green Charter Township