

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30 P.M. July 12, 2005.

THE SUPERVISOR LEAD THE BOARD IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, ROLL CALL.

JOHN WELLNITZ,	SUPERVISOR
JANET CLARK,	CLERK
CAROLYN CHIPMAN,	TREASURER
A. DONALD GRANT,	TRUSTEE
GARY TODD	TRUSTEE
JAMES PEEK,	TRUSTEE
BARBARA WALDRON	TRUSTEE

MINUTES

The clerk presented the minutes of the regular, June 14, 2005 board meeting

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by G. Todd to accept the minutes of June 14, 2005 meeting after the correction on page 3:

“And to proceed with the Coolidge Road; Northland Drive to 200th Ave: Overlay and Wedge paving. And to have the Road Commission patch needed areas in Green Haven leaving the overlay project for in 2006 project year.”

Motion carried 7 yes.

The clerk presented the minutes of the special meeting of May 25, 2005 board meeting for the sewer Sunrise Haven.

MOTION was made by C. Chipman and supported by G. Todd to accept the minutes of May 25, 2005 meeting. Motion carried 7 yes.

TREASURERS REPORT

The treasurer presented the treasurers report:

7-07-05 General Fund, balance \$703,250.56

7-07-05 Green Charter Township Sewer Fund \$394,882.29

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

OLD BUSINESS

HILLS OF MITCHELL CREEK – SEWER CONNECTION

City Manager Steve Sobers, Rick Johnson and the township engineer Kerwin Keen were present to discuss the sewer connection to Green Township’s sewer main by the proposed Hills of Mitchell Creek development.

A letter of proposal dated July 1, 2005 from City Manager Steve Sobers was presented and discussed.

The letter from Williams & Works dated July 11, 2005, addressing township points of concern was also presented.

There was a discussion.

City Manager Steve Sobers summed up the following list points to be included in the agreement for this connection to materialize.

1. If the additional capacity affects the lift station, the City will share in the cost if the problem is related to capacity and not age of equipment.
2. Extend Green Township held harmless language inside the city, which currently exists.
3. Customers from Hills of Mitchell Creek will be customers of Big Rapids Township and the City, not Green Township and therefore not be billed by Green Twp.
4. Additional capacity into this lift station would not be included in this agreement but could be with an additional agreement, not be unreasonably denied.
5. The overall capacity of Green Township will be raised.
6. Extend current fire contract an additional 5 years.

With these items to be workable for Green Township, Big Rapids Township and The Hills of Mitchell Creek project, to have ready for the next board meeting or before.

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by A.D. Grant to work with the City of Big Rapids on the language to allow The Hills of Mitchell Creek to enter into the Green Township’s force main. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES** Grant, Todd, Chipman, Wellnitz, Clark, Peek, Waldron.

SEWER REPORT

Dennis Vandawater presented the sewer report.
The sewer report of Green Township as follows:
6-03-05 to 6-29-05
Reading-----72395250
Total flow-----941860
Average daily flow-----36225
All is working fine.

AUDIT – AL RINGQUIST

Al Ringquist was present and delivered the Audit for Green Charter Township 2004-2005.
Al reviewed the audit with the board and explained that the report gives the township a clean audit opinion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

J. Peek reported there has been some interest in the old “Harry Rogers property”, expressing that the township will need to be looking at sewer expansion out 19 Mile Road.

STONE HATCHERY PARK

Marlies Manning of Manning Design an architect landscape designer was present to submit to the board her proposal for the “Green Township Recreation Master Plan. Explaining:
1. Project understanding
2. Scope of service
3. Compensation
4. Schedule
There was a discussion on the importance for the township to proceed with the Recreation Master Plan and Stone Hatchery Park Plan to meet the needs of the township in growth and recreation.

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by C. Chipman to accept the proposal from Marlies Manning of Manning Design to prepare the “Green Township Recreation Master Plan and The Stone Fish Hatchery Park Master Plan. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 yes**

BIG RAPIDS –MECOSTA COUNTY SESQUICENTENNIAL

J. Clark, clerk reported the display that trustee B. Waldron and herself worked on was taken to the fair. Clark mentioned that Barbara is a direct descendant to the first settlers of Green Township and she contributed many of the pictures in the display.

COMPUTERS

There was discussion on the need to purchase new computers for the offices.
MOTION was made by G. Todd and supported by J. Peek to purchase 1 computer with monitor for the clerk’s office (\$875.00) and 1 computer (\$595.00) for the assessing office, from Bob Baldwin of Big Rapids. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 yes** Grant, Todd, Chipman, Wellnitz, Clark, Peek, Waldron

DOMAIN NAME

The clerk reported she has checked the availability of names for the township web site. There was a choice between “ greenchartertownship.org or greentownship.org
The conclusion of the board was to use greentownship.org

WEB HOST

The clerk reported to the board she had done some research on web hosting sites for the township web page, checking with Tucker and 123EHOST.COM for prices. There was a discussion. Bob Baldwin, resident commented he has used 123EHOST.COM for the last 3-4 years without problems.
MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported C. Chipman to signup with 123EHOST.COM for the web hosting site for the township web site, Premier package at \$75.00 per year.
MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES Waldron, Peek, Clark, Wellnitz, Chipman, Todd, Grant

FILE CABNETS

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by B. Waldron to purchase addition new file cabinets for the clerk’s office for \$994.35 from Integrity Office supply but to first check with Great Lakes Office Supply to see if can get a better price.

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

CEMETERY DRIVE POSTS

MOTION was made by G. Todd and supported by J. Peek to purchase treated 4x4 for the cemeteries drives at Carter Lumber not to exceed 30 posts and to rent a posthole digger.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

MTA COUNTY CHAPTER MEETING

The clerk reported the MTA County Chapter meeting is July 25, 2005 at Sheridan Township.

HILLS OF MITCHELL CREEK – SEWER CONNECTION

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by A.D. Grant to have the township engineer contact the township attorney to co-ordinate the language for the agreement to tie into the township force main. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES.**

BUDGET AMENDMENT

MOTION was made by C. Chipman and supported by J. Peek to approve the following amendment in the General Fund. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES Waldron, Peek, Clark, Wellnitz, Chipman, Todd, Grant**

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	ACTUAL	BUDGET	AMENDED AMOUNT	NEW NEW	AMENDED BALANCE
<u>SEWER FUND</u>						
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<u>590-969-819</u>	CAPITOL EXPANSION CITY	954.07	-	4,000.00	4,000.00	3,045.93
<u>from</u>	from				\$ -	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<u>590-000-695</u>	ADVANCE FROM FUND BAL.		4,135.95	4,000.00	8,135.95	8,135.95

PARK BASKETBALL BACK STOPS

MOTION was made by G. Todd and supported by C. Chipman to purchase replacement basketball back stops for Charlie Brown Park and J. Peek will install them. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES.**

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS

MOTION was made by G. Todd and supported by C. Chipman to approve payment of the following bills:

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

- GREEN GENERAL FUND** CK # 7224 THROUGH #7260 \$ 13,348.20
- GREEN SEWER FUND** CK # 1999 THROUGH #2011 \$ 14,399.25
- SUNRISE HAVEN** CK # 1014 \$ 176.91

MOTION was made by G. Todd and supported by C. Chipman to adjourn.
ADJOURN - MOTION CARRIED. 7, at 9:50 p.m.

JANET CLARK, TOWNSHIP CLERK