

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREEN CHARTER
TOWNSHIP BOARD WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. JULY 14, 2009.
THE SUPERVISOR OPENED THE MEETING AND LED THE BOARD IN THE PLEDGE
OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.**

THE FOLLOWING TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE.

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

MINUTES

June 9, 2009 regular board meeting minutes were presented.

Correction 3rd page spelling (Dave Basch)

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by N. Stephan to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2009 with correction. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 yes**

June 17, 2009 Special meeting minutes for roads & library issues were presented.

Correction page one paragraph 4 change give to allocate.

MOTION was made by G. Todd and supported by N. Stephan to accept the minutes of the June 17, 2009 minutes as corrected. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 yes**

TREASURERS REPORT

The treasurer presented the treasurers report:

7-09-09 General fund balance	\$692,799.96
7-09-09 Sewer fund balance	\$480,412.43

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 was present to present the sewer report of Green Charter Township as follows:

6/3/9 – 7/1/09

Reading-----118760250

Total Flow-----801800

Average daily flow-----28636

All is going well.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

SUNRISE HAVEN - Supervisor received a complaint from a resident in the Sunrise Haven subdivision, that person was directed to S. Fenstermacher.

BROADBAND – Supervisor attended the broadband conference at Ferris State University.

WELLHEAD PROTECTION – The Wellhead Protection document has been received from Don Greiner/ Big Rapids City Engineer, for review.

OLD BUSINESS

ROADS

Road projects of Spruce and 18 Mile Roads tar & chip has been completed by the Mecosta County Road Commission.

There was a discussion and concern about the intersection at Shamrock Blvd and 18 Mile Road to Northland Drive. This portion was not done.

The following concerns were discussed.

1. J. Peek provided pictures from Shamrock Blvd to Northland Drive on 18 Mile Road, this area was not finished, the road commission left it with nothing done to it.
2. J. Peek also indicated the township should not pay until this area is fixed and re-surfaced.
3. Township's original request was 18 Mile Road from 205th to Northland Drive.
4. No reason this stub was not done.
5. Pictures of Spruce Road project - potholes were not properly patched before tar and chipping, indentation from potholes can be seen on pictures.
6. Suggest the township research the law concerning township's legal options for appropriation of funds to county primary road funding.

NEWCOSTA AVENUE

Correspondence has been received from Mecosta County Road Commission, Engineer Ed Burch. There was a discussion.

1. Do not want blacktopped
2. Safety issue
3. Not contacted Newaygo County

CEMETERY SIGNS

Two estimates have been for the repair of the signs at the cemeteries.

MOTION was made by G. Todd and supported by J. Peek to contract with CDK Construction Inc. to repair the signs in Crapo, West & Parkhill Cemeteries as follows.

Complete 19 Mile - West Cemetery sign - artificial fieldstone clean cap & seal - \$650.00

Complete Meceola Road Crapo Cemetery sign – clean and seal - \$ 50.00

MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES. Stephan, Todd, MacFarlane, Baldwin, Clark, Peek, Waldron

After the above 2 completed cemetery signs are inspected and the artificial fieldstone is approved by Gary Todd and Bob Baldwin, they will authorize completion of the sign at 22 Mile Road in Parkhill Cemetery - \$650.00 artificial fieldstone clean, cap & seal.

MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES Waldron, Peek, Clark, Baldwin, MacFarlane, Todd, Stephan

CEMETERY AND HALL GROUNDS WORKERS

Correspondence has been received from T. MacKellar concerning the cemetery and grounds work. There was a discussion. It was suggested an employee handbook needs to be written and implemented.

PARKS AND RECREATION

STONE HATCHERY CHIMNEY AND STONE WALL REPAIR

Two bids have been received for the repair of the stone chimney and stone wall on building repair at the Stone hatchery building.

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by N. Stephan to contract with Lloyd Boynton of Riverton Masonry Inc. stone work \$6,750.00

Brian Thompson – replacing boards around chimney painting, and flashing \$1,630.00, as per bids.

MOTION CARRIED. 7 yes. Waldron, Peek, Clark, Baldwin, MacFarlane, Todd, Stephan

SOIL EROSION PERMIT

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by N. Stephan to have Clif Youngs complete and submit the permit to the Mecosta County Drain Commission for the soil erosion permit for \$50.00 and the permit to the DEQ (if cost exceeds \$250.00 contact board). **MOTION CARRIED. 7**

YES. Stephan, Todd, MacFarlane, Baldwin, Clark, Peek, Waldron

LIBRARY

The supervisor reported, all the townships in the Big Rapids Public School District are not participating in the proposed district library.

SEWER USERCHARGE

The supervisor reported a fourth analysis of the Usercharge has been received. He initiated a conference call with attorney Jim White, supervisor M. McClelland and Mayor Mark Warba. Points of discussion were:

1. The analysis is still not correct.
2. Propose scheduling a meeting with all three governmental boards to finalize the Usercharge, (it's been almost three years and still no final document from the City).
3. Suggest at the meeting not to rehash the history again, but negotiate on the problem issues.

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by D. MacFarlane to schedule a meeting in August, no later than September, with Green Township, Big Rapids Township, and Big Rapids City governmental boards with their legal councils to get the Usercharge completed.

MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES.

POSITION PAPER – Big Rapids City has contracted for engineering services related to the wastewater collection system study with Prein Newhof (dated July 1, 2009).

The Position Paper has been received. It does include Green Charter Township's collection system. There was a discussion the supervisor will be investigating further.

NEW BUSINESS

TOWNSHIP HALL DOOR BREAKAGE

June 27th the hall banquet room south door lower glass was broken. Upon investigation, it was determined the closure mechanism was worn and broke, causing the door when open wide to be pushed into the bricks on the wall breaking the lower window. There was a discussion.

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by D. MacFarlane to return deposits of the June 27th and July 5th weekend hall rentals. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES.**

ROAD WORK COMPLAINT

1. A complaint on the road work on Spruce has been received:
2. Road worse than before,
3. Not liking tar, chips and dust

HALL USE

A request has been received for reduce price for hall use seven times during the year by Great Start Collaborative. The recommendation of the board was to charge as usual.

HALL PARK TREE PURCHASE

Clerk, J. Clark reported the trees at New Horizon Nursery were 50% -75% off in price.

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by B. Baldwin to purchase three trees and have them installed from New Horizon Nursery, for \$223.50. **MOTION CARRIED.** Waldron, Peek, Clark, Baldwin, MacFarlane, Todd, Stephan.

TOWNSHIP HALL HOURLY WORKER

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by N. Stephan to hire hourly up to 15 hours for additional grounds work as needed. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES.** Stephan, Todd, MacFarlane, Baldwin, Clark, Peek, Waldron

JULY BOARD OF REVIEW JULY 21, 2009 8 A.M.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

GENERAL FUND 6-16-09 – 7/14/09 CK # 9167 - 9210 \$19,360.94

Recpt. # 5126

GREEN SEWER FUND 7-14-09 -CK # 2512 - 2521 \$14,308.21

ADJOURN

MOTION was made by G. Todd and supported by J. Peek to adjourn. 9:30 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED. 7 yes

Janet Clark,
Township Clerk