

Summary of Meeting
Joint Committee for Infrastructure
Green Charter Township & City of Big Rapids

December 20, 2006 - 10:00 AM

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Jack Wellnitz at the Green Charter Township Hall.

Committee members present: Jack Wellnitz, Jim Peek, Edward Burch, and Dan Rothstein.

The committee established Jack Wellnitz as chair.

Joint Committee for Infrastructure was chosen as an appropriate and descriptive name for the committee.

The following meeting schedule was adopted: Meetings will be held at Big Rapids City Hall on the first Wednesday of each month and at the Green Charter Township Hall on the third Wednesday of each month. Meetings will start at 10:00 am and should normally be expected to take one hour. The meetings for January are to be posted at this time, a determination will be made at the meeting on January 17th regarding posting of the February meetings. The meetings in January are as follows:

- o January 3, 2007 @ 10:00 am @ Big Rapids City Hall
- o January 17, 2007 @ 10:00 am @ Green Charter Township Hall

The committee will invite public comments at each meeting. Public comments may be invited at the opening, closing, or any time during the meeting the committee determines appropriate.

The records of the committee will be prepared and all submissions from its activities will be made available to both Green Charter Township and the City of Big Rapids. Committee members will report back to their respective boards the activities of the committee, a set of talking points will be made available to all four members summarizing the actions of the committee to facilitate consistent reporting. The committee members will try to make the final presentations to both boards together and will try to do this if any substantive presentations are needed during the course of the committees work.

The followings assignments were made in preparation for the next meeting:

- o Topography map of the construction area – Jim Peek
- o Summary of construction project cost from engineering firm – Jack Wellnitz
- o Outline of possible funding opportunities such as USDA grants – Ed Burch (utilization of city staff resources and Mecosta County Development Corporation (MCDC) resources)
- o Explore MSU Extension Service as a possible resource – Dan Rothstein (utilize MCDC)

The committee directs Mike Fleitman with MCDC to contact the developer and make him aware of the progress made at today's meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10.