

6-13-2017 APPROVED

REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

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

THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, ROLL CALL.

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| JAMES CHAPMAN | SUPERVISOR |
| JANET CLARK | CLERK |
| DENISE MACFARLANE | TREASURER |
| NANCY STEPHAN | TRUSTEE |
| GARY TODD | TRUSTEE |
| JAMES T. PEEK | TRUSTEE |
| KELLY CUSHWAY | TRUSTEE |

MINUTES

The clerk presented the minutes of the 5-9-2017 regular board meeting.

Correction on third page end of sentence read as (all. ~~and~~)

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by D. MacFarlane to accept the minutes of the 5-9-2017 regular board meeting as corrected. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES**

TREASURERS REPORT

The treasurer presented the treasurers report:

6-9-2017 General fund balance \$477,522.06

6-9-2017 Sewer fund balance \$528,920.66

MOTION was made by G. Todd and supported by J. Peek to accept the treasurer's reports as presented in all funds. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 yes**

SEWER REPORT

Green Charter Township sewer report as follows:

4/30/2017 – 6/01/2017 31 days

Reading 195296910

Total Flow 880520

Average daily flow 28404

D. Vandawater reported all is working fine.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

County Commissioner Marilyn Vargo was present and reported;

- The County audit was complete with clean report.
- MERS pension account is in excellent shape with 98% fully funded.

Resident Gary Scramling said he appreciates the township's pride in the Stone Hatchery Park, the pride and joy of the township. Adding the obvious problem with the lawn maintenance at the Stone Hatchery Park.

Resident Dale Jernstadt commented that West Cemetery also is not being taken care of.

Joe Davidson resident on Spruce Road near the bridge, asked the township when the Spruce bridge will get done. It has been discussed since 2011. They are having

problems with the ugly mess of trash, dirt piles, a large hole (getting larger) is a safety problem, quads and 4 wheelers running through their property because the bridge is out. J. Chapman, the supervisor, will be at the next Mecosta Co. Road Commission meeting and will be addressing the Spruce bridge issue. Trustee C. Cushway suggested a letter with pictures be sent to the Mecosta Co. Road Commission regarding Spruce Bridge.

OLD BUSINESS

Charlie Brown Park fence has been repaired by Hamburg Fencing.
Cement pad for portable toilet is finished and graded and seeded around it.
Boardwalk and bench is completed in nature area at Stone Hatchery Park, by volunteers Gary Scramling and Dick Hurst. Gary will continue work with trails.

MOTION was made by J. Clark and supported by J. Peek to offer the rebate from Menards (\$31.04) to Gary Scramling for volunteering his time and tools for the boardwalk installation work.

MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES Stephan, Peek, Clark, Chapman, MacFarlane, Todd, Cushway

GROUND MOWING CONTRACT ISSUE

There was a discussion on the status of the work for the grounds mowing on the cemeteries, parks and township hall.

1. Cemeteries not mowed since before Memorial Day
2. Numerous complaints have come into the township office complaining about the poor condition of the cemeteries that their loved ones are buried in.
3. Poor condition of the grounds is a problem for anyone using these facilities.

Trustee and Grounds Superintendent Gary Todd recommends termination of the contract with Pro-Turf.

MOTION was made by G. Todd and supported by J. Peek to terminate the contract with Pro-Turf immediately and to contact M&M for the services with a pro-rated charge of M&M's bid amount. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES** Cushway, Todd, MacFarlane, Chapman, Clark, Peek, Stephan

The Supervisor will notify Pro-Turf and call M&M.

SPRUCE BRIDGE PROJECT

The following items were discussed:

1. Computer drawing/plan review of the Spruce Bridge from Youngs Consulting has been received.
2. Tim Nestle Superintendent/Manager of Mecosta Co. Road Commission was given a copy. Not certified yet. The drawings will be certified after bid is let out.
3. Nestle will review with the County Engineer.
4. County wants another three ft. wider, allowing room for guardrails if needed later.
5. Road Commission's only concern of width with road with is "not sufficient shoulder".

ROUND LAKE ROAD

The following was discussed regarding the Round Lake Road project:

1. County Road Comm. agrees to 24" width
2. Presently no commitment of funding by County Road Commission
3. Discussion was per Mecosta County Road Commission estimate of 1-20-2017
24 foot wide cost option HMA Pulverize (5300' x22') \$4,449.40 packing and possibly blacktop next year after it has been packed down with traffic

MOTION was made by K. Cushway and supported by J. Peek to approve 24 foot wide cost option HMA Pulverize including packing (5300' x22') up to \$5,000.

MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES - Stephan, Peek, Clark, Chapman, MacFarlane, Todd, Cushway

NEW BUSINESS

GENERATORS

Supervisor J. Chapman reported the generator at the township hall is down, the sewer generator per D. Vandawater is working fine. Chapman is checking for service contractors. B. Baldwin had already contacted Wolverine Power Systems and an estimate had been received from them. There was a discussion.

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by K. Cushway to authorize getting hall generator fixed and running. **MOTION CARRIES. 7 YES** Stephan, Peek, Clark, Chapman, MacFarlane, Todd, Cushway

ELECTION

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND MECOSTA CO. TOWNSHIP OF GREEN Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Grant Agreement Voting System Hardware, Firmware and Software

MOTION was made by N. Stephan and supported by J. Peek to approve and authorize the clerk of the Charter Township of Green to submit the Grant Agreement to execute the *Grant Agreement* on behalf of Charter Township of Green

MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES

MONETARY FUND POLICY REVIEW

A copy of the current policies of the township for paying all utility bills when due, should they be received outside the normal meeting dates of the township board.

BANK ACCOUNT UPDATE AND CHANGES

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported G. Todd to authorize the signatures on all the accounts of the Charter Township of Green, removing Robert Baldwin (deceased) and adding the current supervisor, James Chapman. Two signatures required, three allowed.

MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES

MTA LEGAL DEFENSE DISCRETIONARY ASSESSMENT DUES

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by K. Cushway to authorize payment of the MTA legal defense dues of \$47.60. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES** Cushway, Todd, MacFarlane, Chapman, Clark, Peek, Stephan

KEY CABINET

MOTION was made by K. Cushway and supported by J. Peek to purchase a secure key cabinet for \$44.84. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES.** Cushway, Todd, MacFarlane, Chapman, Clark, Peek, Stephan

STONE HATCHERY PARK ENTRANCE SIGN

There was a discussion and further searching is needed. The rock Tina and Kyle Randall intended to donate was checked by a rock pro and it does have a crack and may not holdup to moving. More search and discussion is needed.

AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES GREEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP AND MECOSTA AND OSCEOLA LAKE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS - FOR DISPOSAL OF HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE CONTRACT AGREEMENT 2017

MOTION was made by G. Todd and supported by J. Peek to approve the service agreement with Mecosta and Osceola –Lake Conservation District for \$350.00 for disposal of household hazardous waste.

MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES, Cushway, Todd, MacFarlane, Chapman, Clark, Peek, Stephan

Green Charter Township and the Mecosta and Osceola-Lake Conservation Districts desire to act cooperatively to provide the proper disposal of household hazardous waste for residents of Green Charter Township and Mecosta County. Therefore, Green Charter Township contracts with Mecosta and Osceola-Lake Conservation Districts for collection and disposal of household hazardous waste in the amount of

\$350.00. This service agreement will promote the public health, safety, and welfare of Township and County residents.

TOWNSHIP WEBSITE

There was a discussion on the township website.

Domain name, hosting sites, design, email policies, contract, where township name resides, transferring if needed,

MOTION was made by J. Peek and supported by D. MacFarlane to allow up to \$200.00 to update the township website and email. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES** Stephan, Peek, Clark, Chapman, MacFarlane, Todd, Chapman

ASSESSING

The Clerk has learned that our township assessor Earl Spalo will be retiring from doing the township's assessing. There was discussion. The board needs a written notification. County Equalization Dept. and a local assessor have been assisting with the township on assessing matters. Search for new assessor will start upon receipt of resignation. A special meeting may be scheduled.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Resident G. Scramling thanked and applauded the changing of the grounds contractor.

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS

MOTION was made by G. Todd supported by J. Peek to approve payment of the following bills and to void check # 12940. **MOTION CARRIED. 7 YES** Stephan, Peek, Clark, Chapman, MacFarlane, Todd, Cushway,

GENERAL FUND 5/16/2017–6/13/2017 #12921- # 12967 \$27,416.81

SEWER FUND 5/11/2017- 6/13/2017 CK #3534 - # 3545 2,716.61

Janet Clark, Township Clerk 6/13/2017 – 8:58 P.M. meeting adjourned