

**GRAND HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021**

REGULAR MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Reenders called the regular meeting of the Grand Haven Charter Township Board to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Board members present: Reenders, Larsen, Kieft, Redick, Behm, and Meeusen

Board members absent: Wagenmaker

Also present was Manager Cargo, Fire/Rescue Chief Sipe, Public Works Director VerBerkmoes, and Community Development Director Fedewa.

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Meeusen and seconded by Clerk Larsen to approve the meeting agenda.

Which motion carried pursuant to the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Meeusen, Redick, Kieft, Behm, Larsen, Reenders

Nays:

Absent: Wagenmaker

IV. STATEMENT ON REMOTE MEETING

It was noted that the Township Board was meeting remotely on the Zoom platform because of health concerns associated with COVID-19 pandemic. Information on this remote meeting has been posted so that the public may participate. All elected officials present noted that they are meeting remotely and are located within Grand Haven Charter Township.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS – (Agenda Items Only)

Supervisor Reenders announced that a period for public comments on agenda items was now opened.

Manager Cargo noted that if a person would like to comment on an Agenda Item Only, please click “Raise Hand” at the bottom of your screen or press Alt+Y. The Zoom moderator (*i.e.*, Stacey Fedewa) will unmute you when it is your turn to speak. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.

There being no public comments, Supervisor Reenders announced that the period for public comments on agenda items was now closed.

VI. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve December 14, 2020, Regular Board Minutes

2. Approve Payment of Invoices in the Amount of \$693,553.51 (*A/P checks of \$482,771.26 and payroll of \$210,782.25*)

3. Approve Purchase of Vehicle for Fire/Rescue Chief (\$37,006)
4. Approve Finance Area Roof Repair – Approve Bid – HVAC (\$9,500)

Motion by Treasurer Kieft and seconded by Trustee Behm to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda. **Which motion carried**, pursuant to the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Larsen, Kieft, Meeusen, Redick, Reenders, Behm

Nays:

Absent: Wagenmaker

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Motion** by Trustee Redick supported by Trustee Behm to approve Resolution 21-01-01 that schedules a bond election for May 4th and provides ballot language for the bond in the amount of 6.14 million dollars for the development of the Schmidt Heritage Park and other specified park improvements. **Which motion carried** pursuant to the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Behm, Meeusen, Redick, Reenders, Larsen

Nays: Kieft

Absent: Wagenmaker

2. Trustee Redick noted he has a pecuniary interest in this contract (*i.e., estimated at \$900*) and has made specific disclosures as provided by state law. These disclosures include that Trustee Redick is an equity member in the law firm of Mika Meyers and shares in all proceeds of the firm.

As a result of the aforementioned, Trustee Redick requests that the Board allow him to be recused on both the discussion and the vote regarding the bond counsel.

Motion by Treasurer Kieft supported by Clerk Larsen to allow Trustee Redick to recuse himself from discussion and vote on the bond counsel because of a pecuniary interest that Redick has in this contract. **Which motion carried** pursuant to the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Kieft, Reenders, Meeusen, Behm, Larsen

Nays:

Absent: Wagenmaker

3. **Motion** by Kieft supported by Behm to authorize Superintendent Cargo to execute a legal services agreement with Mika Meyer for bond counsel services not to exceed \$22,000 related to the proposed \$6 million bond for Parks additions and improvements. **Which motion carried** pursuant to the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Larsen, Kieft, Reenders, Behm, Meeusen

Nays:

Absent: Wagenmaker

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion occurred regarding the proposed closure of the railroad crossing and Pierce Street access to US-31. It was noted that if both Pierce and Warner (*i.e., west of US-*

31 and the railroad crossing) were closed that Township access to street funds would increase from \$100k to \$250k.

The Board instructed staff to seek Planning Commission comments on the proposal to add Warner to the proposed US-31 access/railroad crossing closure and include the matter on the January 25th Board meeting for further discussion.

2. **Motion** by Trustee Redick supported by Clerk Larsen to authorize staff to purchase thirteen NBI generators from FridgeWize to be installed in the HVAC units that serve the occupied spaces of the DPW building, the Administrative building (*including the Board Room*), and the Fire/Rescue building (*including the exercise room*) at a cost of \$8,502 and to contract with a local HVAC contractor to complete the installation at an estimated cost of \$6,500. **Which motion carried** pursuant to the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Reenders, Redick, Kieft, Larsen, Behm, Meeusen

Nays:

Absent: Wagenmaker

3. **Motion** by Clerk Larsen supported by Trustee Behm to approve Resolution 21-01-03 approving a two-year license agreement with Potluck Pick-up for waste collection and hauling services in Grand Haven Charter Township pursuant to the provisions contained within their application. **Which motion carried** pursuant to the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Reenders, Kieft, Behm, Meeusen, Larsen, Redick

Nays:

Absent: Wagenmaker

IX. REPORTS AND CORESPONDENCE

a. Committee Reports

- i. Clerk Larsen noted that the Personnel Committee would meet at 7:00 a.m. using Zoom on Wednesday.
- ii. Trustee Redick noted that NORA would meeting on January 21st.

b. Manager's Report, which included:

- i. December Building Report
- ii. December Ordinance Enforcement Report
- iii. November Public Services Report
- iv. November Legal Review

c. Others

- i. Treasurer Kieft proposed that the Board hold a goal setting work session. Supervisor Reenders will discuss scheduling this with Manager Cargo.
- ii. Chief Sipe noted that the RFP for the space needs study was distributed with proposals due on February 10th.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Supervisor Reenders announced that a period for public comments on non-agenda items was now opened.

Manager Cargo noted any person would like to comment on a non-agenda item only, please click "Raise Hand" at the bottom of your screen or press Alt+Y. The Zoom moderator will unmute you when it is your turn to speak. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.

There being no public comments, Supervisor Reenders announced that the period for public comments on agenda items was now closed.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clerk Larsen and seconded by Trustee Meeusen to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. **Which motion carried**, pursuant to the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Redick, Meeusen, Kieft, Larsen, Reenders, Behm

Nays:

Absent: Wagenmaker

Respectfully Submitted,



Laurie Larsen
Grand Haven Charter Township Clerk



Mark Reenders
Grand Haven Charter Township Supervisor