

**GRAND HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONDAY, JULY 26, 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. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

III. ROLL CALL

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

Board members absent: Kieft

Also, present were Manager Cargo, Community Development Director Fedewa, and Recording Secretary DeVerney.

IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Meeusen and seconded by Trustee Wagenmaker to approve the meeting agenda with a closed session, at the end of the meeting, concerning a real estate opportunity. **Which motion carried.**

V. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve July 12, 2021 Regular Board Minutes
2. Approve Payment of Invoices in the amount of \$480,703.68 (A/P checks of \$349,275.87 and payroll of \$131,427.81)
3. Approve Re-Appointment of Mary Jane Belter and Jacquelyn Thoroughman to the Parks & Recreation Board for a Term Ending on 8/31/24
4. Approve Part-Time Firefighter Hire - Sloan McLean (*pursuant to requirement of State Law*)
5. Approve Part-Time Firefighter Hire - Kurtis Dilley (*pursuant to requirement of State Law*)

Motion by Clerk Larsen and seconded by Trustee Behm to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda. **Which motion carried.**

VI. PUBLIC HEARING – Expansion of DDA District Boundaries

Supervisor Reenders opened the public hearing at 7:03 p.m. regarding the proposed expansion of the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) boundaries.

Cargo noted that the Grand Haven Charter Township Downtown Development Authority (DDA) was created in 1999 and was expected to remain in effect for about 25-years. Further, most of the projects contained within the original development plan and tax increment financing (TIF) plan are completed (*or no longer feasible*).

Last September, prior to making any decision on the dissolution of the DDA, the DDA Board requested input from the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission completed this review and made a series of recommendations regarding both expanding the Downtown district and adding projects to the Development and TIF plan.

This past June, the Township Board both reviewed and agreed with the Planning Commission's report and adopted a Resolution of Intent to (1) incorporate new property into the DDA Downtown District (i.e., expanding the DDA Downtown District, which is the term for the boundaries of the DDA) (2) expand the development area (*i.e., which is the boundary of the area to which the development plan and tax increment financing plan apply*); and, (3) amend the DDA development and tax increment financing plans.

The next step of the process is to hold a public hearing on the expanded district boundaries for the DDA.

Public Comments included:

1. Elizabeth Butler (Chamber of Commerce) supports expanding district boundaries for the DDA because it supports manufacturing expansion within this infrastructure.

There being no additional public comments, Supervisor Reenders closed the public hearing at 7:07 p.m.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Motion** by Clerk Larsen supported by Trustee Meeusen to table the Conditional Zoning Agreement and Zoning Map Amendment Ordinance concerning the rezoning of Parcel No. 70-07-27-300-003 from Agricultural (AG) to Rural Residential (RR). Staff will coordinate with legal staff concerning platting before the next Board meeting. **Which motion carried**, pursuant to the following roll call vote:

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

Nays,

Absent: Kieft

2. **Motion** by Trustee Meeusen supported by Clerk Larsen to approve Resolution 21-07-01 that adopts the Second Quarter budget amendments for Fiscal Year 2021. **Which motion carried**, pursuant to the following roll call vote:

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

Nays,

Absent: Kieft

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Trustee Redick noted that he is Crockery Township's attorney.

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 Federal Procurement Conflict of Interest Policy.

Motion by Clerk Larsen supported by Trustee Wagenmaker to allow Trustee Redick to recuse himself from discussion and vote on the Federal Procurement Conflict of Interest Policy. **Which motion carried**, pursuant to the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Meeusen, Reenders, Behm, Larsen, Wagenmaker

Nays:

Absent: Kieft

2. **Motion** by Clerk Larsen supported by Trustee Behm to approve Resolution 21-07-02 that adopts a Federal Procurement Conflict of Interest Policy as a condition of receiving American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) monies. **Which motion carried**, pursuant to the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Wagenmaker, Reenders, Larsen, Meeusen, Behm

Nays,

Absent: Kieft

3. **Motion** by Trustee Wagenmaker supported by Trustee Behm to approve the Ninth Amendment to the restated Grand Haven-Spring Lake Sewer Authority contract that will allow a portion of Crockery Township to be included with the Sewer Authority district. **Which motion carried.**

IX. REPORTS AND CORESPONDENCE

1. Committee Reports

- a. Trustee Redick and Manager Cargo noted the changes made to the Schmidt Heritage Park layout after meeting with different organizations and Jim Schmidt.

2. Manager's Report

- a. May Legal Review
- b. Review of Community Foundation Mini-Grants – No objections were noted.

3. Others

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Mick Bricker (Spring Lake, MI) – introduced himself as running for the 89th district.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

1. **Motion** by Clerk Larsen supported by Trustee Meeusen to enter closed session at 7:36 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a real estate opportunity. **Which motion carried unanimously**, pursuant to the following roll call vote:

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

Nays:

Absent: Kieft

2. **Motion** by Trustee Meeusen supported by Trustee Redick to exit the closed session at 7:56 p.m. **Which motion carried unanimously.**

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clerk Larsen and seconded by Trustee Behm to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. **Which motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Laurie Larsen
Grand Haven Charter Township Clerk



Mark Reenders
Grand Haven Charter Township Supervisor