

**GRAND HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONDAY, JULY 25, 2022**

REGULAR MEETING

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

II. **PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

III. **ROLL CALL**

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

Board members absent: Meeusen

Also present was Manager Cargo, Fire/Rescue Chief Schrader, Assistant Manager Sherwood, and Public Services Director Chappell.

IV. **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

Motion by Treasurer Kieft and seconded by Trustee Behm to approve the meeting agenda. **Which motion carried.**

V. **PROMOTION CEREMONY** – Fire/Rescue Chief Schrader

1. Public Safety Chair Behm shared thoughts and comments on Fire/Rescue Chief Schrader.
2. Superintendent Cargo discussed the selection of Fire/Rescue Chief Schrader and the challenges and opportunities for the department.
3. Clerk Larsen Administered the Oath of Office to Fire/Rescue Chief Schrader:
 - i. Larsen: *“Do you solemnly swear to support the Constitution of the United States of American and the Constitution of Michigan, and to faithfully discharge the duties of the Grand Haven Charter Township Fire/Rescue Chief to the best of your abilities?”*
 - ii. Schrader: *“I do.”*
4. Fire/Rescue Chief Schrader made comments to the staff and public in attendance.
5. **Without objection**, Supervisor Reenders announced a brief recess of the public meeting at 7:09 p.m. for a reception to commemorate the promotion.
6. **Without objection**, Supervisor Reenders reconvened the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

VI. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve July 11, 2022, Regular Board Minutes
2. Approve Payment of Invoices in the amount of \$1,388,266.56 (*A/P checks of \$1,253,979.83 and payroll of \$134,286.73*)

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

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Vanessa Wilhelm (*13461 Ravine View Drive*) spoke in support of allowing eBikes on the Township pathways.
Bill Cousins (*15290 Winchester Circle*) spoke in support of allowing eBikes on the Township pathways.

Motion by Trustee Wagenmaker and seconded by Trustee Redick to approve and adopt the proposed amendments to the Pathway Ordinance that allows for Class I and Class II electric bicycles and restates the section regarding due care. This is a second reading. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Wagenmaker, Redick, Behm, Reenders, Larsen

Nays: Kieft

Absent: Meeusen

2. The Board discussed improvements to the Buchanan Street road end to mitigate erosion from a storm water pipe at an approximate cost of \$7,250 with the repairs occurring during a three-day period during a work week (i.e., not on Friday through Sunday). The road end will be closed during the repairs.

The Board instructed to staff to proceed forward with the proposed construction contract with Tiles Excavating and to place the repairs on the third quarter budget amendment, if needed.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Motion** by Trustee Redick and seconded by Clerk Larsen to approve Resolution 22-07-01, which placed a ballot proposal on the November 2022 gubernatorial election for a 0.20 mill tax to be levied on-behalf of and collected for the North Ottawa Recreation Authority. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays:

Absent: Meeusen

2. **Motion** by Treasurer Kieft and seconded by Trustee Behm to approve Resolution 22-07-02 that designates how the remaining ARPA monies will be utilized and adopts the Second Quarter budget amendments for fiscal year 2022. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays:

Absent: Meeusen

IX. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Committee Reports
2. Manager's Report

- i. June Public Services Report
 - ii. Chamber of Commerce Second Quarter Economic Development Report
3. Treasurer Kieft discussed the possibility of using a portion of the Historic Cemetery for the burial of cremains – specifically the southwest corner near the entrance. The board instructed staff to examine the project within the FY2023 budget.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS – *(Non-Agenda Items)*

1. Vanessa Wilhelm (*13461 Ravine View Drive*) expressed concern that an increase in crime, drug use and homelessness may accompany the legalization of marijuana and wants the Township to be prepared.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clerk Larsen and seconded by Trustee Behm to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. **Which motion carried**

Respectfully Submitted,



Laurie Larsen
Grand Haven Charter Township Clerk



Mark Reenders
Grand Haven Charter Township Supervisor