

**GRAND HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONDAY, MAY 13, 2024**

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: Larsen, Meeusen, Kieft, Behm, Wagenmaker, and Reenders
Board members absent:

Also present was Manager Cargo and Assistant Manager Sherwood.

IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion Trustee Meeusen and seconded by Trustee Wagenmaker to approve the meeting agenda. **Which motion carried.**

V. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve April 22, 2024, Board Minutes
2. Approve April 29, 2024, Special Joint Board/Planning Commission Minutes
3. Approve Payment of Invoices in the amount of \$919,666.72 (*A/P checks of \$759,917.19 and payroll of \$159,749.53*)
4. Approve - Appointment of Trustee Howard Behm to NORA Board and Parks and Recreation Committee
5. Approve - Low Bid from Jackson-Merkey for DDA Watermain Project at Buchanan Street and US-31 (*\$1,381,718.50*)
6. Approve - Fire/Rescue Station Exhaust System Purchase (*\$95,598*)

Motion by Treasurer Kieft and seconded by Trustee Meeusen to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda. **Which motion carried.**

VI. PRESENTATION – Economic Development Update – Elizabeth Butler

The Grand Haven Chamber Director of Economic Development Strategic Directions (*i.e., Elizabeth Butler*) provided a PowerPoint update on economic development activities noting that the current contract began in October of 2022 and goes through September of 2025. The Township contributes about \$37k toward the contract.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Chrys Moelter-Gray (*13243 Forest Park*) recommended that Andrea Dumbrell be selected to fill the Trustee vacancy on the Township Board.

The Board discussed the vacancy on the Board of Trustees and considered three basic options noting that anyone appointed would only be involved in about twelve Board

meetings – and that most were not familiar with the Township government. Further, the one familiar with the Township was a candidate for the General Election, whose selection could be seen as an endorsement.

Motion by Clerk Larsen, supported by Trustee Behm to not fill the Trustee vacancy on the Township Board prior to the May 16th deadline. **Which motion carried** with Supervisor Reenders voting no.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Supervisor Reenders noted that he would be accepting suggestions for the 2024 Business recognition Award Program through the Chamber of Commerce.

IX. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Committee Reports
- b. Manager's Report
 - i. April Building Report
 - ii. April Ordinance Enforcement Report
- c. Supervisor Reenders noted that he received a complaint regarding a STR at 17580 Duneside Drive. Manager Cargo noted that this complaint has been referred to the legal staff who would be determining if this most recent complaint should be the basis for consideration at a hearing on the suspension or revocation of the STR certificate.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- a. Jon Anderson (*12966 Sikkema Drive*) introduced himself as a candidate for Ottawa County Sheriff.
- b. Greg Todd (*13326 Maple Leaf, Crockery Township*) introduced himself as a candidate for Ottawa County Prosecutor.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clerk Larsen and seconded by Trustee Wagenmaker to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m. **Which motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Laurie Larsen
Grand Haven Charter Township Clerk



Mark Reenders
Grand Haven Charter Township Supervisor