

**GRAND HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2009**

WORK SESSION – 6:00 P.M.

1. The Board reviewed a memorandum on food costs and determined the following:
 - a. That although the appreciation dinner shows appreciation for the people who operate GHT on a daily basis, the cost of the dinner is too high given the current economic conditions and the dinner should be discontinued until further notice.
 - b. That the Board recognizes the employee recognition lunch as an important event that helps to show appreciation and motivate those full and part-time employees of the Township and believes it should continue.
 - c. That since providing food to election workers is a convenience because the workers typically work through the meals and do not leave the site, election meals would be continued to be provided for precinct workers, but not for the administrative staff.
 - d. That food for spring clean-up will be continued because the work continues through the lunch hours
 - e. That food will be provided during Fire/Rescue training when events are longer than four hours.

REGULAR MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor French called the regular meeting of the Grand Haven Charter Township Board to order at 7:02 p.m.

II. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

III. ROLL CALL

Board members present: Worthington, Jenkins, Buitenhuis, Veach and French.
Board members absent: Kieft, and Larsen.

Also present was Superintendent Cargo.

IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion by Trustee Jenkins and seconded by Trustee Worthington to approve the meeting agenda. **Which motion carried.**

V. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve August 10, 2009 Board Minutes
2. Approve Payment of Invoices
3. Re-appoint Mary Jane Belter to the Parks & Recreation Committee with a term ending August 1, 2012
4. Re-appoint James O’Neal to the Parks & Recreation Committee with a term ending August 1, 2012

Motion by Trustee Jenkins and seconded by Supervisor French to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda. **Which motion carried.**

VI. PUBLIC HEARING – HEARING OF NECESSITY FOR RICH STREET SAD

Supervisor French opened the public hearing at 7:03 p.m. Cargo provided a brief overview of the proposed project. It was also noted that Fire/Rescue had identified this road in the spring as one that was not accessible during the heavy rains.

No public comments were heard.

Supervisor French closed the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Motion** by Trustee Jenkins and seconded by Trustee Veach to approve and adopt Resolution 09-08-02 that defines the Rich Street Improvement Special Assessment District, declare its intention to make road improvements for the benefit of the properties within the district, provides an estimate for the improvements, and instructs the Supervisor to create an assessment roll for Board consideration.

Which motion carried, as indicated by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Jenkins, Veach, French, Buitenhuis, Worthington.

Nays: None.

Absent Larsen and Kieft.

2. **Motion** by Trustee Jenkins and seconded by Clerk Buitenhuis to approve and adopt Resolution 09-08-03 that schedules a public hearing for September 28th at 7:00 p.m. for the purposes of hearing comments on the proposed Rich Street assessment roll. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Worthington, Veach, Buitenhuis, Jenkins, French.

Nays: None.

Absent Larsen and Kieft.

3. **Motion** by Supervisor French and seconded by Trustee Jenkins to remove from the table the proposed Beach Wood Site Condominium site plan. **Which motion carried.**

The following comments were made by the public:

- a. Mr. Glenn Johnson, 709 S. Walnut Ave, Arlington Hts, IL, would still like a 50 foot buffer between the development and the homes on Buchanan.
- b. Tom Thornhill, 600 Terrace St, Muskegon, representing Scott and Melissa McKistry, Carl and Karen Wasson, Leslie Wills, Lorie Jager, and Julie Riegle; requesting buffer between development and property owners on Buchanan
- c. Robert Gezon, 12055 Bluewater Rd, expressed concern over beach rights
- d. Carl Wasson, 17454 Buchanan, would like a buffer between development and property owners on Buchanan, also concerns on where construction traffic would be entering development
- e. Ed Everhart, 12087 Bluewater, stated that beach rights were not an issue and did not relate to this development

Motion by Supervisor French and seconded by Trustee Veach to approve the site condominium development known as "Beach Wood" on parcel numbers 70-07-16-351-001 and 002, as shown on the approved site plan (last revision date 08/21/09). This approval is conditioned upon the following:

- a. The private streets are assigned names that are approved by Grand Haven Township Fire/Rescue prior to the issuance of any building permits.
- b. The Developer shall agree to any requested language amendments to any associated development documents by the Township and/or its legal counsel.
- c. The Development shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Ottawa County Road Commission, Ottawa County Drain Commission, and Ottawa County Health Department.
- d. No building permits shall be issued for the Development until the Developer has obtained the Township attorney's approval of the Master Deed and Bylaws, and has submitted proof of recording of the same at the Ottawa County Register of Deeds to the Township attorney.
- e. The developer shall enter into a sanitary sewer assessment agreement with Grand Haven Charter Township.

Which motion carried.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Motion** by Clerk Buitenhuis and seconded by Trustee Jenkins to authorize staff to purchase additional back-up capacity for the Unitrends system at a cost of \$8,661. Further, staff is instructed to complete the necessary line item adjustments and/or budget amendments for Board authorization during the 3rd quarter budget adjustments that are scheduled for October 26th. **Which motion carried.**

IX. REPORTS AND CORESPONDENCE

1. Correspondence was reviewed.
2. Committee Reports
3. Superintendent's Report
4. Others

X. EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor French adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Buitenhuis
Grand Haven Charter Township Clerk

Karl French
Grand Haven Charter Township Supervisor