

**GRAND HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2016**

REGULAR MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

III. ROLL CALL

Board members present: Behm, Larsen, Hutchins, Meeusen, Redick, and Kieft.

Board members absent: French

Also present was Manager Cargo.

Motion by Trustee Hutchins and seconded by Trustee Meeusen to appoint Clerk Larsen as President Pro Tem for this meeting. **Which motion carried.**

IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

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

V. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve October 10, 2016 Regular Board Minutes
2. Approve October 12, 2016 Board Work Session Minutes
3. Approve Payment of Invoices in the amount of \$262,177.16 (*A/P checks of \$149,820.25 and payroll of \$112,356.91*)

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

VI. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Joint Special Assessment Hearing: President Pro Tem Larsen opened the joint public hearing on the special assessment rolls for the December winter taxes at 7:02 p.m., which included the following:
 1. FY2017 Special Assessment Police Services Roll
 2. FY2017 Special Assessment Sewer Roll
 3. FY2017 Special Assessment Storm Drain Roll
 4. FY2017 Special Assessment Delinquent Water and Sewer Payments
 5. FY2017 Special Assessments Street Lighting Roll
 6. FY2017 Special Assessments Street Paving Roll

Manager Cargo noted that all of the SAD collections have been previously affirmed by the Board through the Special Assessment process or state statutes. Further, the actual assessment rolls were made available for public review and are also available at tonight's Board meeting.

The actual monies that will be collected for these services are as follows:

✓	Police Services SAD roll total	= \$379,320.00
✓	Sanitary Sewer SAD roll total	= \$ 28,398.62
✓	Storm Drains SAD roll total	= \$ 26,588.83
✓	Delinquent Water/Sewer SAD roll total	= \$ 951.91
✓	Street Lighting SAD roll total	= \$121,500.00
✓	Street Paving SAD roll total	= \$ 5,918.96
	TOTAL	= \$562,678.32

There being no further comments, President Pro Tem Larsen closed the joint special assessment public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

- 2. “Truth in Budgeting” Hearing: President Pro Tem Larsen opened the “Truth in Budgeting” hearing on the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget at 7:04 p.m.

Manager Cargo provided a brief overview of the proposed Fiscal Year 2017 budget noting that the total budget was about \$10.649 million. Manager Cargo noted that a copy of the budget had been maintained at the lobby for public review.

Trustee Hutchins noted that the decline in in-line skating and questioned the need for the in-line skating rink. Manager Cargo agreed that the in-line skating numbers from NORA have declined and noted that the proposed maintenance will not be undertaken until the Board has an opportunity to consider the matter.

There being no further comments, President Pro Tem Larsen closed the joint special assessment public hearing at 7:08 p.m.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. **Motion** by Trustee Meeusen and supported by Trustee Hutchins to approve Resolution 16-10-02 that approves the \$379,320 estimated Special Assessment service charge for police services. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Larsen, Hutchins, Kieft, Meeusen, Redick, Behm
 Nays:
 Absent: French

- 2. **Motion** by Treasurer Kieft and supported by Trustee Behm to approve Resolution 16-10-03 that approves the \$28,398.625 estimated Special Assessment sewer charge. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Behm, Hutchins, Meeusen, Redick, Kieft, Larsen
 Nays:

Absent: French

3. **Motion** by Trustee Redick and supported by Trustee Meeusen to approve Resolution 16-10-04 that approves the \$26,588.83 estimated Special Assessment service charge for storm water maintenance. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Kieft, Meeusen, Behm, Hutchins, Larsen, Redick
Nays:
Absent: French
4. **Motion** by Treasurer Kieft and supported by Trustee Hutchins to approve Resolution 16-10-05 that approves the \$951.91 estimated Special Assessment service charge for delinquent water and sewer bills. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Hutchins, Larsen, Kieft, Behm, Meeusen, Redick
Nays:
Absent: French
5. **Motion** by President Pro Tem Larsen and supported by Trustee Behm to approve Resolution 16-10-06 that approves the \$121,500 estimated Special Assessment service charge for street lighting. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Meeusen, Behm, Larsen, Kieft, Redick, Hutchins
Nays:
Absent: French
6. **Motion** by Treasurer Kieft and supported by Trustee Meeusen to approve Resolution 16-10-07 that approves the \$5,918.96 estimated Special Assessment service charge for street paving. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Kieft, Behm, Meeusen, Larsen, Redick, Hutchins
Nays:
Absent: French
7. **Motion** by Treasurer Kieft and supported by Trustee Hutchins remove from the agenda Resolutions 16-10-08 through 16-10-11, which will result in the wages of the elected officials remaining unchanged. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Redick, Meeusen, Kieft, Hutchins, Larsen, French
Nays:
Absent: French
8. **Motion** by President Pro Tem Larsen and supported by Trustee Redick to approve Resolution 16-10-012 that approves the FY 2017 Budget, as proposed. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:
Ayes: Meeusen, Hutchins, Larsen, Behm, Kieft, Redick
Nays:
Absent: French

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Motion** by President Pro Tem Larsen and supported by Treasurer Kieft to present and postpone the Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance to allow one domestic farm-type animal on 2.5 acre parcels in the Rural Preserve and Rural Residential zoning districts, and postpone further action until November 14th when the zoning text amendment ordinance will be considered for adoption and approval. This is a first reading. **Which motion carried.**

IX. REPORTS AND CORESPONDENCE

- a. Correspondence was reviewed
- b. Committee Reports – The Personnel Committee has a meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 1st at 12:00 noon.
- c. Manager’s Report
 - i. September Legal Review
 - ii. September Public Works Report
 - iii. 3rd Quarter Chamber Economic Development Report
- d. Others

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Craig Yoas (*16620 Pine Dunes Court*) opined that the Township’s pathways were sidewalks and that the Supreme Court Case of Hatch vs. Grand Haven Township was improper.
2. Laird Sschafer (*12543 Wilderness Trail*) asked when the Community Engagement process would begin on the Witteveen and Wolfe properties. President Pro Tem Larsen requested that the Board discuss this at a future Board work session.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Hutchins and seconded by Trustee Redick to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. **Which motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Larsen
Grand Haven Charter Township Clerk