

**GRAND HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2017**

WORKSESSION – 6:00 p.m.

1. Staff provided a review of the 2017 Task List and provided updates and clarifications, as requested.
2. Manager Cargo provided a memo regarding the Township's process for capital expenditures (*i.e., quotes, bids, etc.*).

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: Reenders, Gignac, Larsen, Behm, Redick, Meeusen, Kieft
Board members absent:

Also present was Manager Cargo and Community Development Director Fedewa.

IV. **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

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

V. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Karel Hierholzer (*14898 160th Avenue*) offered compliments and congratulations to the staff of the Fire/Rescue Department due to their professionalism while responding to a structure fire at her home on May 28, 2016.

VI. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve June 12, 2017 Board Minutes
2. Approve Payment of Invoices in the amount of \$285,213.18 (*A/P checks of \$188,670.90 and payroll of \$96,542.28*)
3. Approve appointment of Cathy Rusco to the Loutit District Library Board with a term ending June 30, 2020.

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

VI. **OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Motion** by Trustee Redick supported by Treasurer Kieft to approve a four-year proposal with Vredeveld Haefner L.L.C. to provide the annual financial audit for the

Township and to authorize the Superintendent to execute the annual engagement letters, unless a majority of the Township Board expresses a lack of confidence with the firm. **Which motion carried.**

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Motion** by Clerk Larsen supported by Trustee Behm to approve the Final Preliminary Plat for Stonewater Subdivision No. 1 based on the application meeting applicable requirements and standards set forth by the Grand Haven Charter Township Subdivision Control Ordinance. **Which motion carried.**

VIII. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Correspondence was reviewed
- b. Committee Reports
 - i. The Personnel Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, July 11th at 7:30 a.m.
 - ii. The Zoning Ordinance Re-Draft Committee will be meeting on Thursday, June 29th at 6:00 p.m.
- c. Manager's Report
 - i. May DPW report
 - ii. May legal review
 - iii. The Hofma Vision project will have a joint meeting with the Board, PC and Parks Commission on July 6th at 7:00 to review the initial designs and preliminary cost estimates.
- d. Others

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dave Rickard (*11487 Loggers Trail*) stated that he was frustrated that he is not able to construct a detached garage (*i.e., accessory building*) within the front yard of his five acre parcel at the end of a cul-de-sac with a 290' drive. He noted that he was denied a variance request by the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

Rickard believes that the rules aren't working and proposed that the accessory building portion of the Zoning Ordinance be amended to allow accessory buildings within front yards of large lots with long drives. Asked what help the Board can provide.

The Board noted that it cannot overrule the ZBA or provide an exception. However, the Board stated he could provide a petition to the Planning Commission to change the zoning ordinance rules. Also, it was stated that this could be a situation that could benefit from creating a special land use procedure and that the current Zoning Re-Draft Committee could consider that option. The new Zoning Ordinance is expected to be drafted by May of 2018.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Clerk Larsen and seconded by Trustee Behm to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. **Which motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Larsen
Grand Haven Charter Township Clerk

Mark Reenders
Grand Haven Charter Township Supervisor