

**GRAND HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2013**

WORKSESSION – 6:00 p.m.

1. **Motion** by Clerk Buitenhuis and seconded by Trustee Larsen to enter closed session at 6:05 p.m. for the purposes of hearing a complaint against an elected official, and allowing Clerk Buitenhuis' attorney to be present. **Which motion carried**, as indicated by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Hutchins, French, Buitenhuis, Larsen, Kieft, Behm.

Nays: None.

Absent: Meeusen.

Motion by Trustee Larsen and seconded by Trustee Behm to reconvene from closed session at 6:32 p.m. **Which motion carried.**

2. Trustee Larsen reviewed the results of the 2013 Employee Engagement Survey with the Board and distributed the Manager's evaluation form. The forms are to be returned to Larsen by Friday, October 4th.
3. Manager's Report – Cargo noted that the Township was denied a public easement for water main across the property located at 15822 Brucker pursuant to a September 17, 2013 email. These easements are necessary to extend a public water main between Angelus Circle and Indian Trails Drive thereby eliminating a dead end water main on Indian Trails Drive.

Cargo sought authorization from the Board to begin the process of eminent domain to acquire the necessary public easement. The Board instructed staff to drop the project and look at other dead ends that can be looped instead.

REGULAR MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor French called the regular meeting of the Grand Haven Charter Township Board to order at 7:04 p.m.

II. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

III. ROLL CALL

Board members present: Buitenhuis, Kieft, French, Hutchins, Larsen, Behm.

Board members absent: Meeusen.

Also present were Manager Cargo, Director of Assessing Chalifoux, and Director of Public Services VerBerkmoes.

IV. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

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

V. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve September 9, 2013 Board Minutes
2. Approve Payment of Invoices in the amount of \$291,092.93 (A/P checks of \$213,954.10 and payroll of \$77,138.83)

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

VI. PUBLIC HEARING – Proposed 2013 Recreation Plan

Supervisor French opened the hearing on the proposed 2013 Recreation Plan at 7:07 p.m. Manager Cargo provided brief comments. No public comments were made.

Supervisor French closed the hearing at 7:08 p.m.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Motion** by Supervisor French and supported by Trustee Behm to adopt Resolution 13-09-03 that approves and adopts the 2013 – 2017 Community Recreation Plan as submitted. **Which motion carried, as indicated by the following roll call vote:**

Ayes: Hutchins, French, Buitenhuis, Behm, Kieft, Larsen.

Nays: None.

Absent: Meeusen.

2. **Motion** by Clerk Buitenhuis and seconded by Trustee Larsen to approve and adopt the proposed ordinance #520 that regulates the speed and wake of certain large watercraft in an area of the Grand River pursuant to a special local watercraft control proposed in an August 28, 2013 letter from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. This is a second reading. **Which motion carried, as indicated by the following roll call vote:**

Ayes: Larsen, Hutchins, French, Kieft, Behm, Buitenhuis.

Nays: None.

Absent: Meeusen.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Motion** by Trustee Larsen and seconded by Trustee Hutchins to accept the petition for the street paving of Park Court and schedule the first public hearing on October 14, 2013. **Which motion carried.**

2. **Motion** by Supervisor French and supported by Treasurer Kieft to adopt Resolution

13-09-04 establishing the 2013 Grand Haven Charter Township millage rate and authorizing Supervisor French and Clerk Buitenhuis to sign the L-4029 2013 Tax Rate Request. **Which motion carried, as indicated by the following roll call vote:**

Ayes: Behm, Hutchins, Buitenhuis, Kieft, Larsen, French.

Nays: None.

Absent: Meeusen.

IX. REPORTS AND CORESPONDENCE

- a. Correspondence was reviewed
- b. Committee Reports
- c. Others

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Larsen and seconded by Trustee Behm to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 p.m. **Which motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Buitenhuis
Grand Haven Charter Township Clerk

Karl French
Grand Haven Charter Township Supervisor