

**GRAND HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD  
MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2014**

**WORK SESSION** – 6:00 p.m.

1. The Board held a discussion on preparing minutes for the Township Board.
2. The Board discussed contributing to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks. Staff is instructed to place on the second work session in May with additional details.

**REGULAR MEETING**

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

II. **PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

III. **ROLL CALL**

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

Board members absent: None.

Also present was Superintendent Cargo, Fire/Rescue Chief Gerencer, and Public Services Director VerBerkmoes.

IV. **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

**Motion** by Trustee Larsen and seconded by Trustee Hutchins to approve the meeting agenda, removing Item 8 on the Consent Agenda (Approve Reappointment of Susan Robertson to the Loutit District Library Board) and moving to New Business. **Which motion carried.**

V. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve April 14, 2014 Regular Board Minutes
2. Approve Payment of Invoices in the amount of \$160,923.32 (*A/P checks of \$88,901.29 and payroll of \$72,022.03*)
3. Approve 2014 – 2017 Technology Plan
4. Approve Ottawa County Technology Collaborative Agreement
5. Approve WebTecs, Inc. contract
6. Approve Non-motorized Pathway repair bid
7. Approve Participation in 5-Year Community Recreation Plan

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

VI. **PUBLIC HEARING – Fire/Rescue Service Special Assessment Roll**

Supervisor French opened the Public Hearing at 7:034 p.m. and provided an opening statement regarding the hearing.

The following emails were received:

1. Stan Fortuna, Jr, 11763 Garnsey Avenue – felt a special assessment district should not be created and the issue should be placed before the voters
2. Glenn Karsten, no address – preference is to have the special assessment matter taken to a vote

The following spoke at the public hearing:

3. John Fitzpatrick, 12128 – 152<sup>nd</sup> Ave – is opposed to the special assessment roll
4. Dan Kleymeer, 17129 Lincoln St – is opposed to the special assessment roll
5. Kevin Eich, 15532 Royal Oak Dr – is opposed to the special assessment roll
6. GL Larson, 15529 Thornapple Dr – is opposed to special assessment roll
7. Frank Durante, 14837 Pineridge – is opposed to special assessment roll
8. Doug Vanse, 14873 Mercury Dr – is opposed to special assessment roll and wants the issue to go to the voters

Supervisor French closed the public hearing at 7:17 p.m.

## VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Motion** by Treasurer Kieft and seconded by Trustee Behm to approve Resolution 14-04-03 which certifies the creation of the special assessment roll for the Fire/Rescue Services including all the lands in the entirety of the Township and that proper notice was given, and the special assessment for Fire/Rescue Services will be billed on December 1 of each year beginning December 1, 2014. **Which motion failed** as indicated by the following roll call vote:

**Ayes:** Kieft, Behm, French.

**Nays:** Buitenhuis, Larsen, Meeusen, Hutchins.

**Absent:** None.

Staff was instructed to prepare language for a Fire/Rescue millage for the August primary for the next Board meeting.

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Motion** by Clerk Buitenhuis and seconded by Trustee Hutchins to postpone further action on the proposed rezoning of parcel number 70-07-27-100-044 from Agricultural to rural Residential. This is considered to be the first reading. **Which motion carried.**
2. **Motion** by Trustee Hutchins and seconded by Supervisor French to table the proposed amendment to Ordinance 358, Section 28 to include double Crypt Memorial – Flush (Ledger) with a size of 28” x 30”. **Which motion carried.**
3. **Motion** by Trustee Larsen and seconded by Clerk Buitenhuis to allow Trustee Meeusen to abstain from the vote on the reappointment of Robertson to the Library Board, due to his firm performing the audit of the Loutit District Library. **Which motion carried.**

**Motion** by Supervisor French and seconded by Trustee Larsen to appoint Susan Robertson to the Loutit District Library Board for a three-year term ending June 30, 2017. **Which motion carried,** with Trustee Meeusen abstaining.

Trustee Meeusen returned to the table.

IX. REPORTS AND CORESPONDENCE

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

State Representative Amanda Price provided a brief update on Lansing to the Board.

X. EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

None

XI. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion** by Supervisor French and seconded by Trustee Larsen to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Buitenhuis  
Grand Haven Charter Township Clerk

Karl French  
Grand Haven Charter Township Supervisor