

**BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2010
HELD AT THE BIG RAPIDS TOWNSHIP FIRE HALL**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m. by Gilbert. Gilbert, Winegar, Hamelund, O'Neil, Smith present. McClelland, Osburn absent. A motion to appoint O'Neil to chair the meeting in McClelland's absence was made by Winegar. Seconded by Hamelund. Motion carried. All lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: So noted

APPROVAL OF MARCH MINUTES:

A motion to approve the March minutes as printed was made by Smith. Seconded by Hamelund. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY AND MARCH TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion to approve the February and March Treasurer's report was made by Smith. Seconded by Gilbert. Motion carried

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Utilities: Don Greiner and Steve Sobers were present to report to the Board on the water and sewer. Don Greiner presented the board with a written report as well.

Fire Department: Report given by Chief Butterfield. He asked for the Boards approval for the purchase of a Lifepak 1000 AED Unit due to one of theirs is now non-functioning. The unit is unable to be fixed due to its age. A motion to approve the purchase of the AED unit up to \$2650.00 was made by Smith. Seconded by Winegar. Motion carried on roll call vote.

Building Department: No Report

Cemetery: Written report was submitted to the Board

Policies & Procedures Committee: Joanne Brown reported on the committee. Their next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 21st 4-6pm at Isabella Bank board room

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Perry Street Lift Station Pump: Robison Electric removed and switched the pumps and the vibration seems to be taken care of by this. At this point nothing further needs to be done.

Northland Drive Sewer Lift Station Design & Cost Estimate: Mike Oezer of Progressive Engineering submitted to the board a preliminary cost estimate of \$650,000.00.

15 Mile Sidewalk: Gilbert will run an ad for sealed bids on the sidewalk with drainage system due to her office on Friday, April 16th. The board will hold a special meeting on Monday April 19th for the opening of these bids.

NEW BUSINESS:

METRO ACT RIGHT OF WAY Permit Extension: A motion to approve the clerk to sign the permit extension was made by Smith. Seconded by Winegar. Motion carried.

Resolution for Bonding of Northland Drive Lift Station: A motion to approve Resolution Number 2010-02, Resolution for Bonding of Northland Drive Lift Station was made by Smith. Seconded by Winegar. Motion carried on roll call vote.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BIG RAPIDS
COUNTY OF MECOSTA, MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION NO 2010-02**

**RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE, ACQUIRE AND CONSTRUCT IMPROVEMENTS TO
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BIG RAPIDS SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM AND TO
AUTHORIZE PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE REVENUE BONDS**

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Big Rapids, Mecosta County, Michigan, held at the Township Hall, 14212 Northland Dr., Big Rapids, Michigan, on the 6th day of April 2010, at 7:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: Gilbert, Winegar, Hamelund, O'Neil, Smith

ABSENT: McClelland, Osburn

The following resolution was offered by Member Smith and supported by Member Winegar:

WHEREAS, this Township Board hereby determines that it is necessary for the public health, safety and welfare of the Charter Township of Big Rapids (the "Township") to issue and sell revenue bonds pursuant to Act 94 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1933, as amended ("Act 94") to pay part of the cost of improvements to the Township's existing sanitary sewer system (the "System"), including the improvement and replacement of certain sanitary sewer collection facilities, and related appurtenances, improvements and interests in land (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the current estimated cost of the Project, including engineering, construction, legal, financial and contingency costs is \$650,000; and

WHEREAS, the Township intends to use up to \$300,000 of available funds on hand in the Township sewer enterprise fund to pay a portion of the cost of the Project; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to publish a Notice of Intent to Issue Revenue Bonds pursuant to Section 33 of Act 94.2

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. The Township hereby determines to purchase, acquire and construct the Project and to pay for part of said costs by the issuance of revenue bonds in one or more series pursuant to Act 94 in the maximum principal amount of \$350,000.

2. A Notice of Intent to Issue Revenue Bonds shall be published in accordance with Section 33 of Act 94 in the *The Pioneer*, a newspaper of general circulation in the Township and determined to be the newspaper reaching the largest number of persons to whom said Notice is directed, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A.

3. The Township Board does hereby determine that the foregoing form of Notice of Intent to Issue Revenue Bonds and the manner of publication directed is the method best calculated to give notice to the System's users and the Township's taxpayers and electors of this Township's intent to issue the bonds, the maximum amount of bonds to be issued, the purpose of the bonds, the security for the bonds, and the right of referendum relating thereto, and such other information as the Township Board determines necessary to adequately inform Township electors of the nature of the Project and the proposed bonds.

4. All resolutions or portions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

YEAS: Smith, Winegar, Hamelund, O'Neil, Gilbert

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Sherri Gilbert, Clerk
Charter Township of Big Rapids

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

) ss.

COUNTY OF MECOSTA)

I, Sherri Gilbert, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Charter Township of Big Rapids, Mecosta County, Michigan (the "Township") do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board at a regular meeting held on the 6th day of April 2010, the original of which is on file in my office. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, including in the case of a special or rescheduled meeting, notice by publication or posting at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time set for the meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my official signature this 6th day of April 2010.

Sherri Gilbert, Clerk
Charter Township of Big Rapids

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

Smith reported on the sewer committee.

Gilbert brought to the board discussion regarding overtime of cemetery staff in regards to being mine full of the budget. A motion that any overtime will be preapproved through the clerk's office was made by Winegar. Seconded by Hamelund. Motion carried with Smith opposing. Gilbert also brought before the board to think about placing an outdoor message center for the twp offices.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A motion to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$36,589.83 was made by Winegar. Seconded by Smith. Motion carried on roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Clerk

Supervisor