

**BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2017
UNAPPROVED**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Stanek, Fountain, Currie, Bean via phone, Everett, Geib, Williams present.
All lead in the pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Steve Fenstermacher – HVC work, Wayne O’Neil – Foundation rates, Drone use.

A motion to allow Carman Bean to actively attend Board meeting via phone was made by Currie. Seconded by Williams. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: Add Fire Department Payment under new business.

SPECIAL APPEARANCE: Julie Reams from H&S Companies reviewed the 2016 Audit with the Board.

APPROVAL OF MAY 2ND MEETING MINUTES:

APPROVAL OF MAY 3RD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES: A motion to approve the May 2nd and May 3rd minutes as presented was made by Currie. Seconded by Everett. Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL

TREASURER’S REPORT (APRIL): Approved as printed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: No action.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

1. **Accounts Payable:**
2. **Payroll:** A motion to approve Accounts Payable in the amount of \$110,155.89 and payroll in the amount of \$23,768.19 was made by Everett. Seconded by Currie. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

1. **Building Department:**
2. **Cemetery and Grounds:**
3. **Fire Department:**
4. **Sewer Department:**
5. **Water Department:**
6. **Cemetery Committee:**
7. **Parks Committee:**
8. **Planning Commission:**
9. **Policy Committee:**
10. **Utilities Committee:**
11. **Supervisor:**

Approved as printed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Retirement Plan Resolution # 2017-4:** No action.
2. **Clay Cliffs Resolution # 2017-5:** A motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-5 Clay Cliffs was made by Everett. Seconded by Fountain. Motion did not pass.

**BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION 2017-5
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BILATERAL ANNEXATION
OF PROPERTY IN THE BIG RAPIDS CHARTER
TOWNSHIP TO THE CITY OF BIG RAPIDS**

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 9 (8), Public Act 219 of 1970, 2 petitions have been filed asking that the following described parcels of property in Big Rapids Charter Township be annexed to the City of Big Rapids;

Beginning at a point on the South line of Section 10, T15N R10W, that is 473 feet West of the Southeast corner of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 10 running thence North along the West side of the Public School property, 203 feet, thence West parallel with the Section line 510 feet, thence South 203 feet to a point on the Section line, thence East 510 feet to the point of beginning, containing 2.3 acres of land.

AND

A parcel commencing at the Southwest corner of Block 5, of P.M. Brown's Second Addition to the City of Big Rapids; thence South to the Section line dividing Sections 10 and 15; thence East along said Section line 473 feet to the Southeast corner of Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 10; thence North to the South line of P.M. Brown's Third Addition to the City of Big Rapids, thence West along said South line of P.M. Brown's Third Addition and P.M. Brown's Second Addition to the point of beginning, all being in the Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 10, Township 15 North, Range 10 West, Big Rapids Township, Mecosta County, Michigan.

AND

The North 100 feet of Lots 8, 9, and 10 of Block 9 Hutchinson's Addition to the City of Big Rapids, Michigan, subject to the oil and gas rights agreement recorded in Liber 222 of Deeds, page 1, Mecosta County Register of Deeds office.

AND

That part lying West of the City Limits of the City of Big Rapids which is a parcel of land commencing at the Southwest corner of the vacated Finley Avenue adjacent to Block 74 of Warren and Bronson's Subdivision of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 10, T15N, R10W, Michigan; thence North to the South line of P.M. Brown's Third Subdivision; thence East to the West line of said vacated Finley Avenue; thence South along said line to point of beginning.

WHEREAS, it appears from both Petitions that the above described land is adjacent to the corporate limits of the City of Big Rapids, Michigan, that there are no qualified electors residing on the land proposed to be annexed; that the petitioners (Big Rapids Public School District and the Big Rapids Charter School) hold the record legal title to all of the land proposed to be annexed; that petitioners are named on the assessment rolls of the Township as owners of all real property to be annexed and have waived the ten day notice from the Township Treasurer to which they would be entitled under the annexation law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Board of the Big Rapids Charter Township does hereby approve in accordance with the provisions of Section 9 (8) Public Act 219 of 1970, State of Michigan, of the annexation of the following described parcels of property in Big Rapids Charter Township to the City of Big Rapids:

Beginning at a point on the South line of Section 10, T15N R10W, that is 473 feet West of the Southeast corner of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 10 running thence North along the West side of the Public School property, 203 feet, thence West parallel with the Section line 510 feet, thence South 203 feet to a point on the Section line, thence East 510 feet to the point of beginning, containing 2.3 acres of land.

AND A parcel commencing at the Southwest corner of Block 5, of P.M. Brown's Second Addition to the City of Big Rapids; thence South to the Section line dividing Sections 10 and 15; thence East along said Section line 473 feet to the Southeast corner of Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 10; thence North to the South line of P.M. Brown's Third Addition to the City of Big Rapids, thence West along said South line of P.M. Brown's Third Addition and P.M. Brown's Second Addition to the point of beginning, all being in the Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 10, Township 15 North, Range 10 West, Big Rapids Township, Mecosta County, Michigan.

AND The North 100 feet of Lots 8, 9, and 10 of Block 9 Hutchinson's Addition to the City of Big Rapids, Michigan, subject to the oil and gas rights agreement recorded in Liber 222 of Deeds, page 1, Mecosta County Register of Deeds office.

AND That part lying West of the City Limits of the City of Big Rapids which is a parcel of land commencing at the Southwest corner of the vacated Finley Avenue adjacent to Block 74 of Warren and Bronson's Subdivision of the SE ¼ of SE ¼ of Section 10, T15N, R10W, Michigan; thence North to the South line of P.M. Brown's Third Subdivision; thence East to the West line of said vacated Finley Avenue; thence South along said line to point of beginning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Big Rapids place a deed restriction on all preceding properties that requires properties to always be used for public use and that Big Rapids Charter Township residents have equal access to the property as do City residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk forward certified copies of this resolution to the City Clerk of the City of Big Rapids, the County Clerk of the County of Mecosta, and the Secretary of State of the State of Michigan.

Yeas: Stanek, Fountain, Everett.

Nays: Currie, Bean, Geib, Williams.

RESOLUTION FAILED DUE TO LACK OF SUPPORT.

Date

Rene Fountain
Township Clerk

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Audit approval:** A motion to approve the 2016 Audit as presented was made by Bean. Seconded by Williams. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2. Cemetery Committee recommendation to go to a single grave price of \$400.00:** A motion to set the price of a single grave at Highland View Cemetery at \$400.00 was made by Fountain. Seconded by Everett. Roll Call Vote: Fountain – yes, Everett – yes, Geib – yes, Williams – yes, Bean – no, Currie – no, Stanek – yes. Motion carried.
- 3. Utilities Committee recommendation to change our flat rate customers from 32.75 to 36.75 per month.** A motion to increase the flat rate for sewer customers from \$32.75 to \$36.75 per month effective June 1, 2017 was made by Currie. Seconded by Geib. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.
- 4. Recommendation to hire Elizabeth Bryant as a firefighter and to promote Dryden Hauger.** A motion to hire Elizabeth Bryant as a firefighter and to promote Dryden Hauger to a firefighter was made by Williams. Seconded by Everett. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5. To join with the Mecosta Conservation District for Hazardous Waste Cleanup again this year. (\$1000.00)** A motion to join the Mecosta Conservation District for Hazardous Waste Cleanup again this year for \$1,000.00 was made by Currie. Seconded by Williams. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.
- 6. Continue with our Pictometry license by paying half the yearly fee (\$1100.00):** A motion to continue Pictometry by paying half the yearly fee of \$1,100.00 was made by Fountain. Seconded by Currie. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.
- 7. State foreclosed property-we have second right of refusal (05-010-010-300 and 05-017-003-501):** No Action.
- 8. Medical Marijuana:** A motion for the Township to not take action regarding the Medical Marijuana Issue was made by Bean. Seconded by Currie. Roll Call Vote: Bean – yes, Currie – yes, Everett – no, Geib – yes, Williams – yes, Fountain – yes, Stanek – no. Motion carried.
- 9. Fortino law suit:** No Action.

10. Public Comment: A motion to give the public an opportunity to voice an opinion on each vote limited to 8 minutes giving each person 2 minutes to speak was made by Bean.

Seconded by Williams. Roll Call Vote: Bean – yes, Williams – yes, Geib – yes, Everett – no, Currie – no, Fountain – no, Stanek – no. Motion did not pass.

11. Other - Fire Department Payment: A motion to pay Mecosta County Drain Commissioner \$1,200.00 for the Fire Department Expansion Review and Inspection Fee was made by Bean. Seconded by Everett. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Greg Vodry – Road brining, Chris Vodry – Pictometry and Public Comment, Wayne O’Neil – Public Comment, Junk Ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:50 p.m.