

**BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING – WEDNESDAY MAY 3, 2017 AT 6:30 P.M.  
JOINT MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND BIG RAPIDS CITY COMMISSION  
HELD AT THE MECOSTA COUNTY SERVICES BUILDING, 14485 NORTHLAND DR.  
APPROVED**

**CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL:** Stanek, Fountain, Currie, Bean, Everett, Geib present. Williams absent.  
All lead in pledge of allegiance.

**CITY ROLL CALL:** Warba, Anderson, James, Hogenson present. Rothstein absent.

**THE PURPOSE OF THIS SPECIAL MEETING IS TO DISCUSS THE NEW  
MARIJUANA LAW.**

**Presentation in support:** Kevin Chang from Wild Bill's Tobacco gave a presentation in support of the changes the new Medical Marijuana Law will bring. Kimberly and Gina Yob from Shades of Green Consulting, LLC gave a presentation emphasizing the positive changes in the new Medical Marijuana Law.

**Presentation against:** Eric Williams attorney for the City of Big Rapids highlighted items in the new Medical Marijuana Law. Jim Eddinger director of Public Safety for the City of Big Rapids presented the issues the community will face by allowing the establishment of a Medical Marijuana Facility in the community. Brian Thiede Prosecuting Attorney for Mecosta County presented the negative issues with the Medical Marijuana Law.

**Public Comment:** Pat Currie, BRT - against, Connie Duffet, BRT -against, Dick Wheeler, Morton Twp – against, Bruce Borkovich, BRT – against.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:35 p.m.