

**BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 2016
APPROVED**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Stanek, Currie, Fountain, Jensen, Hamelund, Toogood, Zimmerman present.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Greg Vodry - Cemetery, Howard Bowersox – running for 5th District County Commissioner, Adam Gac announced his resignation.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Scott Schroder Request: So noted and filed.

DEQ letter and response: So noted and filed.

SPECIAL APPERANCES: TransCanada-Grant Presentation – Larry London presented a check to the fire department in the amount of \$7,800 for the purchase of a drone.

Approval of purchases: A motion to approve the purchase and training of an InstantEye UAS drone from Darley Robotics in the amount of \$7,800 was made by Jensen. Seconded by Currie. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Gabridge & Co – Matt Holland presented the 2015 Audit.

Approval of Audit – A motion to accept the December 31, 2015 audit was made by Currie. Seconded by Fountain. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

APPROVAL OF MAY 3rd MINUTES: A motion to approve the minutes was made by Hamelund. Seconded by Zimmerman. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT APRIL AND MAY and REVENUE & EXPENDITURE REPORT: A motion to approve the April and May Treasurer's Report and Revenue and Expenditure report was made by Zimmerman. Seconded by Fountain. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL: A motion to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$138,256.90 and payroll in the amount of \$17,579.31, with exception of payments to Engineered Solutions and Terra Contracting was made by Hamelund. Seconded by Currie. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

1. **Building Department:** Written
 2. **Fire Department:** Written
 3. **Grounds and Maintenance:** Written
 4. **Sewer Department:** Written
 5. **Water Department:** Written
 6. **Cemetery Committee:** Written
 7. **Fire Committee:** Written
 8. **Library Committee:** Written
 9. **Planning Commission:** Written
 10. **Wage Committee:** Written
 11. **Supervisor:** Written
- Approved as printed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Perry Street Sewer:** No Action.
2. **Ordinance Update Public Hearing:** A motion to schedule a public hearing to approve the Ordinance updates at the July 5, 2016 meeting was made by Currie. Seconded by Jensen. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **Report on Mining Ordinance:** Stanek will contact Dean's Excavating.

4. **Office cleaning:** A motion to retain Hope Network Developmental Services to clean the township offices at a rate of \$25 per hour for 1.5 hours per week was made by Toogood. Seconded by Zimmerman. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.
5. **Update on Waste Water Contract Renewal with City:** No Action.
6. **Cemetery complaints on Memorial Day:** A motion to use the standard practices of the township interview process and the hiring process without going to the board allowing the committee of Stanek, Fountain and Cushway to hire that individual at \$10/hr 20 hrs per week for 20 weeks and place the advertisement in the Pioneer as soon as possible was made by Currie. Seconded by Zimmerman. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Engineered Solutions Midwest bill:** Fountain will contact Engineered Solutions to request an itemized bill.
2. **Mecosta Conservation District Request:** A motion to contract with the Mecosta and Osceola-Lake Conservation District to provide proper disposal of household hazardous waste in the amount of \$1,000 was made by Hamelund. Seconded by Currie. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.
3. **Venlo offer to settle:** A motion to accept the settlement with Venlo in the amount of \$27,000 was made by Hamelund. Seconded by Zimmerman. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.
4. **Menard's Lift Station Pump replacement:** A motion to purchase a new pump for Menard's Lift Station in the amount of \$8,048.25 was made by Zimmerman. Seconded by Jensen. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.
5. **Generator repair quote from Bridgeway:** A motion to approve Cummins Bridgeway to repair the generators at the fire hall and at Pioneer Drive in the amount of \$2,585.93 was made by Zimmerman. Seconded by Toogood. Motion carried unanimously.
6. **Mecosta County Fair Board Request:** A motion to approve Resolution 2016-06 recognizing the Mecosta County Agricultural Fair Association as a nonprofit organization for the purpose of obtaining charitable gaming licenses was made by Currie. Seconded by Hamelund. Motion carried unanimously.

LOCAL GOVERNING BODY RESOLUTION FOR CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSES

(Required by MCL.432.103(K)(ii))

RESOLUTION 2016-07

At a Regular meeting of the Big Rapids Charter Township
REGULAR OR SPECIAL TOWNSHIP, CITY, OR VILLAGE COUNCIL/BOARD
 called to order by William Stanek on June 7, 2016
DATE
 at 7 a.m./p.m. the following resolution was offered:
TIME
 Moved by Currie and supported by Hamelund
 that the request from Mecosta County Agricultural Fair Association of Big Rapids,
NAME OF ORGANIZATION CITY
 county of Mecosta, asking that they be recognized as a
COUNTY
 nonprofit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining charitable
 gaming licenses, be considered for approval.
APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL
 APPROVAL: Yeas: 7, Nays: 0, Absent: 0
 I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution offered and
 adopted by the Big Rapids Charter Township at a Regular
TOWNSHIP, CITY, OR VILLAGE COUNCIL/BOARD REGULAR OR SPECIAL
 meeting held on June 7, 2016.
DATE

SIGNED:

 Rene Fountain, Clerk
 Big Rapids Charter Township

7. **Brent's request to be zoning administrator:** A motion to appoint Brent Mason as the Zoning Administrator for Big Rapids Township effective immediately was made by Currie. Seconded by Fountain. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Carman Bean – Ordinances, Board members disrespect. Bob Maguire – Cemetery, Library.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:21.

Clerk

Supervisor