

**BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2015  
HELD AT THE BIG RAPIDS TOWNSHIP OFFICES  
APPROVED MINUTES**

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

**ROLL CALL:** Stanek, Gilbert, Currie, Hamelund, Jensen, Toogood, Zimmerman present. All lead in the Pledge of Allegiance

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:** Stanek under new business hiring of a firefighter. Currie under new business user charge review. A motion to approve these additions was made by Hamelund. Seconded by Zimmerman. Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF MARCH MINUTES:** Approved as printed

**FINANCIAL**

- **TREASURERS REPORT :** Approved as printed
- **REVENUE & EXPENDITURE REPORT:** Approved as printed

**MONTHLY REPORTS:**

1. **Building Department:** Written
2. **Cemetery Report:** Written
3. **Fire Department:** Written
4. **Sewer Department:** Written
5. **Water Department:** Written
6. **Board of review:** Written
7. **Cemetery Committee:** Written
8. **Fire Department Committee:** Written
9. **Planning Commission:** Written
10. **Sidewalk Committee:** Written
11. **Supervisor:** Written

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Hiring of a firefighter:** A motion to approve the hiring of Andrew Milkey adding him to the fire departments roster was made by Toogood. Seconded by Hamelund. Motion carried unanimously.
2. **Appointment to the Planning Commission:** A motion to approve the appointment of Carmon Bean and Phil Keating to the Planning Commission for a short 3 year term expiring on 12-31-17 was made by Gilbert. Seconded by Zimmerman. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **Resolution No 2015-02 to Glenn Patrick for many years of service:** A motion to approve Resolution No 2015-02 was made by Zimmerman. Seconded by Hamelund. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

4. **Mike Ozer request for Gary Trimarco sewer line on MDOT right of way:** A motion to allow Trimarco's to reconstruct their sewer outlet along their drive to Northland Dr. with a portion on their property and a portion in the MDOT Right-of-Way which the township will take possession of the line in the Right-of-Way with the understanding that Trimarco's will maintain their portion of line at their expense at all times was made by Currie. Seconded by Hamelund. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **AT&T METRO Act renewal:** Tabled until May meeting.
6. **Continue health insurance coverage through Priority Health:** A motion to continue with Priority Health as made by Jensen. Seconded by Zimmerman. Motion carried unanimously.
7. **Transfer of plow truck from Utilities department to Cemetery:** A motion to have the cemetery purchase the plow truck from the utilities department in the amount of \$7000.00 was made by Currie. Seconded by Hamelund. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.
8. **Disposal of red cemetery truck:** A motion to direct the clerk to advertise for sealed bids with minimum bid being \$1000.00 and to authorize the clerk to sell the truck to the highest bidder at the end of two weeks was made by Hamelund. Seconded by Zimmerman. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.
9. **Fire Department request to seek an Architect:** A motion to approve an architect in the amount of \$700.00 for an addition on to present building was made by Currie. Seconded by Jensen. Motion failed on roll call vote. Currie; yes, Jensen; yes, Toogood; no, Hamelund; no, Zimmerman; no, Gilbert; no, Stanek; yes.
10. **Grounds and Maintenance supervisor pay increase:** A motion to increase the salary \$2000.00 taking it from township hall and grounds line item was made by Hamelund. Seconded by Toogood. Motion carried on roll call vote. Hamelund; yes, Toogood; yes, Zimmerman; yes, Jensen; no, Currie; no, Gilbert; no, Stanek; yes.
11. **User Charge Review:** A motion to appoint Penny Currie and Tony Geib to the user charge review committee was made by Currie. Seconded by Jensen. Motion carried on roll call vote. Currie; yes, Jensen; yes, Zimmerman; yes, Hamelund; no, Toogood; no, Gilbert; yes, Stanek; no.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

1. A motion to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$63,360.50 was made by Currie. Seconded by Hamelund. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.
2. A motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$23,249.66 was made by Currie. Seconded by Jensen. Motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Public comment heard

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned 8:43 pm

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Clerk

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Supervisor