

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE **GEORGETOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD** HELD MARCH 8, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Wierenga at 7:00 p.m.

Prayer for guidance by Katherine Henry

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call

Members present: Jim Wierenga, Ryan Kidd, Katherine Henry, Gary Veldink, Becky Steele, John Schwalm, Michael Bosch

Also present: Daniel Carlton, Township Superintendent

Absent: None

#210308-01 - Agenda as presented for March 8, 2021

Moved by Ryan Kidd, seconded by Becky Steele, to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210308-02 – [Library Presentation](#)

#210308-03 – Communications, letters and reports: Received for information, to be filed:

- a. DPW Water/Sewer [Report](#)
- b. [Cottonwood Drive Tree Clearing](#)
- c. [February 16, 2021](#) Services Committee meeting minutes
- d. [February 17, 2021](#) Planning Commission meeting minutes
- e. [February 24, 2021](#) Zoning Board of Appeals meeting minutes
- f. [March 1, 2021](#) Finance Committee meeting minutes
- g. [Perpetual Care Compliance Letter-corrected](#)

#210308-04 – Public Comments for items remaining on the agenda

There were members of the public in attendance, but there were no public comments.

#210308-05 - Consent agenda

Moved by Gary Veldink, seconded by Becky Steele, to grant the following.

- a. Approval of minutes of the previous board meeting on February 22, 2021.
- b. Approval of the regular monthly bills for [March 8, 2021](#), the [visa bills](#) and the [utility bills](#).
- c. Approval of the AcenTek [Metro Act Permit](#) Renewal, as recommended by the Finance Committee ([letter](#)).
- d. Approval of the [low bid](#) from Grand Valley Automation of \$11,482.00 to add Exterior Cameras for Township Office and Library, as recommend by the Finance Committee (quotes from [Allied](#) and from [Tele-Rad](#)).
- e. Approval of the low [bid](#) of \$5,173.00, for year 1 and year 2, from DeVries Landscape for the Baldwin Entrance Property Maintenance Contract as recommended by the Services Committee

- f. Approval to set the date for the Township Board Goal Setting Session on Monday, May 17, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., as recommended by the Finance Committee.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210308-06 – Extension Requests for Renters at 1300 Maplewood Dr.

Moved by John Schwalm, seconded by Becky Steele, to authorize the Assistant Superintendent to negotiate the extension requests for rental use of Township property located at 1300 Maplewood Dr. from Golden Hour Farm, until December 31, 2021, and Wormies, LLC, until November 1, 2021, so that no additional expense is taken on by the Township, as recommended by the Services Committee.

Hope Farms GR [Proposal](#)
GHF [Letter of Support](#) – Wormies LLC
[Letter](#) of Support – Wormies
[Letter](#) of Support for Wormies
[Wormies Request](#) for Extension

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210308-07 – Policy 2021-01, Employee Use of Township Vehicles

Moved by Gary Veldink, seconded by Michael Bosch, to approve [Policy 2021-01](#), Employee Use of Township Vehicles, as recommended by the Finance Committee.

There was Board discussion.

Yeas: Ryan Kidd, Katherine Henry, Gary Veldink, Michael Bosch, John Schwalm
Nays: Jim Wierenga, Becky Steele

MOTION CARRIED.

#210308-08 – Acquisition of Replacement Vehicle for the Code Enforcement Officer

A motion was made, seconded, but withdrawn.

Moved by Jim Wierenga, seconded by John Schwalm, to approve acquiring a replacement vehicle for the Code Enforcement Officer comparable to what he currently has, which is a larger SUV or truck.

Note: The request was brought to the Board by the Finance Committee. It was noted that the current vehicle would be sold at an auction.

Jim Wierenga withdrew his motion and John Schwalm withdrew his second.

The consensus of the Board was to return the item to the Finance Committee for a recommendation.

#210308-09 – Unfinished Business – WCET Peg Fees

Postponed motion:

#210222-08 – Review Cable Contracts

Moved by Jim Wierenga, seconded by Katherine Henry, to eliminate the PEG fees paid by residents related to WCET's equipment since they have a surplus of equipment.

[WCET Agreement](#)

[WCET Proposal](#)

Allan Dodds and Ken Crombeen, Grandville City Manager, were present.

There was a [WCET Presentation](#).

Moved by Jim Wierenga, seconded by John Schwalm, to further postpone action on this item.

Moved by Jim Wierenga, seconded by Gary Veldink, to amend the motion to postpone action on this item until the first meeting in June.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#210308-10 – Public Comment

There were public comments.

#210308-11 – Discussion and General information

There was board discussion.

#210308-12 – Refer Question of Having an Attorney Present at Board Meeting to Finance

Moved by John Schwalm, seconded by Becky Steele, to have an attorney present at Township Board meetings.

Moved by John Schwalm, seconded by Becky Steele, refer the question of having an attorney present at Board meetings to the Finance Committee.

Yeas: Jim Wierenga, John Schwalm, Gary Veldink, Becky Steele, Ryan Kidd

Nays: Michael Bosch, Katherine Henry

MOTION CARRIED.

#210308-13 – Discussion and General information Resumed

Board discussion resumed.

#210308-14 - Meeting Adjourned

Moved by Gary Veldink, seconded by Becky Steele, to adjourn the meeting at 11:03 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Jim Wierenga, Supervisor

Ryan Kidd, Clerk