

**BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018
APPROVED**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m. ROLL CALL: Stanek, Fountain, Bean, Everett, Geib present. Currie absent.
All lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: John Zimmerman – 220th Avenue.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: Add Fire Department Tender under unfinished business.

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2019 BUDGET AND PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE: No public comment. Hearing closed at 7:03 pm.

APPOINTMENT TO FILL TRUSTEE VACANCY: Motion to appoint Aaron Holsworth to fill the Trustee vacancy was made by Everett. Motion dies for lack of support. Motion to appoint Chris Merendino to fill Trustee vacancy was made by Bean. Seconded by Everett. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

SPECIAL APPEARANCE: none

**CORRESPONDENCE: Damage Assessment Team:
Note from Penny:**

APPROVAL OF: October 2nd meeting minutes:

October 17th meeting minutes:

October 23rd meeting minutes: Motion to approve October 2, 2018, October 17, 2018 and October 23, 2018 meeting minutes was made by Everett. Seconded by Geib. Motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL

1. **September Treasurer Report:** Approved as printed.
2. **Financial Report:** Approved as printed.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

1. **Accounts Payable:** Motion to approve accounts payable checks #31249-31328 and electronic payments in the amount of \$145,823.75 was made by Bean. Seconded by Geib. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
2. **Payroll:** A motion to approve payroll checks in the amount of \$22,085.84 #11372 - #11408 and stub 10 was made by Bean. Seconded by Everett. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

1. **Building/Planning Department:**
2. **Cemetery and Grounds:**
3. **Fire Department:**
4. **Sewer Department:**
5. **Water Department:**
6. **Cemetery Committee:**
7. **Election Commission:**
8. **Fire Committee:**
9. **Planning Commission:**
10. **Utility Committee:**
11. **Supervisor:**
Approved as printed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **User Charge System:** Motion to accept the User Charge as presented was made by Everett. Seconded by Fountain. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
2. **Fire Department Tender:** Motion to allocate \$4,616.65 to repair tender allowing for a 10% overrun was made by Bean. Seconded by Everett. Roll call vote: Stanek – yes, Fountain – no, Bean – yes, Everett – yes, Geib – yes. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Auditor Bids:** Motion to hire Siegfried Crandall P.C. as Auditors was made by Everett. Seconded by Fountain. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
2. **Bids to clean up Woodward Property:** Motion to hire New Horizon Landscape to clean up Woodward Property for \$2,000.00 was made by Everett. Seconded by Geib. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
3. **Resolution in opposition to SB396:**

**BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION NUMBER 2018-08
Opposition to SB 396
Transporting Forest Products**

At the November Board meeting of Big Rapids Charter Board called to order by supervisor William Stanek on November 6, 2018 at 7:00 pm the following resolution was offered by Everett and supported by Fountain.

WHEREAS, Senate Bill (SB) 396 would be beneficial to the logging industry it will be very unfair to the other business in the township that depend on the roads to transport their goods.

WHEREAS, Big Rapids Charter Township dose have a lot of gravel roads and some paved roads that are in pour shape, this would take more upkeep that the residence can afford.

WHEREAS, SB 396 does allow for a token bond this would not cover the cost to repair the damage that may arise if allowed to use at such a critical time of the year.

Whereas, The roads in the township are an important element in providing transportation for our schools, fire protection, and public services it is important that we do not allow one business to have special use of this important necessity in our community.

THEREFORE, BE IT RSOLVED THAT, the Big Rapids Charter Township Board does herby oppose SB 396.

Yeas: Stanek, Everett, Fountain, Bean.

Nays: Geib.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

Rene Fountain, Township Clerk

4. **Motion to add special assessments and pass due water bills (\$110,382.00) to winter tax bills:** Motion to add special assessments and past due water bills in the amount of \$110, 382.00 as presented to winter tax bills was made by Fountain. Seconded by Everett. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.
5. **Ordinance changes from planning commission:** Motion to approve ordinance changes as presented by planning commission was made by Bean. Seconded by Everett. Roll call vote: Stanek – yes, Fountain – no, Bean – yes, Everett – yes, Geib – no. Motion passed.
6. **Zoning Administrator pay rate:** Motion to increase Brent Mason’s salary by 2% starting January 1, 2019 was made by Fountain. Seconded by Everett. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
7. **Other:**

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mitchell Barron – parcel size for towers, Bob Maguire – Payroll, Fire Department, Roads.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:56