

# BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD

## REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2022

BIG RAPIDS TOWNSHIP OFFICES, 14212 NORTHLAND DR.

BIG RAPIDS, MI 49307

7:00 PM

APPROVED

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

**CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m. ROLL CALL: Stanek, Saez, Currie, Bean, Everett, Geib, Teceno present.**

**CORRESPONDENCE: Bruce Bowling letter – Currie noted in new file with Clerk labeled “Opposition to Gotion”**

**SPECIAL APPEARANCE: Eric Williams, (Walmart tax tribunal)** A motion was made by Bean to move to make a counter as per David’s recommendation. Supported by Geib. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

### CONSENT AGENDA

1. **October 4, 2022 Meeting Minutes:**
2. **October 25, 2022 Special Board Meeting Minutes:**
3. **October Financial Report:**
4. **Building Department Report:**
5. **Cemetery and Grounds Report:** Stanek to request Marc to come to next meeting.
6. **Elections Commission Minutes:**
7. **Fire Department Report:** Bean requests inventory of PPE from Tubbs- purchased and expiration dates by 11/20 and to discuss PPE at 5:30 on 11/21. Noted Facebook needs to be removed/tied to Twp FB.

8. **Sewer Department Report:**

9. **Water Department Report:**

10. **Fire Committee Report:**

10. **Planning Commission Minutes:**

11. **Supervisor’s Report:**

A motion to approve of the Consent Agenda with corrections and additions is made by Bean. Supported by Teceno.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Set Date for public hearing on 2023 budget:**
2. **Industrial Park Storage Building update:**
3. **Other:**

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Request to hire David Kirwin as a part time employee to do assessing:** A motion was made by Bean to approve of the Contract with Kirwin in the proposal dated 11/1/22 and the compensation to be in line with item 24 as listed. Supported by Currie. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.  
A second motion was made by Currie to approve of a budget addition of \$3,500 per year for hiring an assistant for Assessor Clerical duties. Supported by Bean. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
2. **Mecosta County Development Corporation yearly support:** A motion was made by Currie to approve of \$4,000 contribution for 2023. Supported by Teceno. Motion passed 4-3. Bean, Everett, Geib, no.
3. **Budget Adjustments for 2022 budget:** Stanek presented 2022 budget recommendations. Board requested to move them to the November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. A motion was made by Geib to have the 2023 Budget set at the 12/6/22 Board meeting. Supported by Bean.
4. **Resolution 2022-06 to allow the township to apply for a grant:** Moved to December.
5. **Resolution 2022-07 to apply for PAR plan grant:** A motion was made by Bean to approve of Resolution 2022-7 with changes noted. Supported by Saez. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
6. **Quote for Boil in Fire Hall:** A motion was made by Currie to approve of the Boiler quote/purchase with Stratz in the amount of \$13,340 for the Fire Hall. Supported by Teceno. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
7. **NW Kent Bill and Mika Meyers:** A motion was made by Currie to approve of the NW Kent bill in the amount of \$16,039.50 and to split it with Green Township. Supported by Bean. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote. An additional motion was made by Geib for an Agenda addition to 12/6 that we retain Mika Meyers as our own attorney effective 11/1/22 and to request separate billing without double billing. Supported by Bean.  
Stanek to call attorney to attend the 12/6/22 Meeting.
8. **Town Hall Weekly Meetings for Gotion:** Board set meeting for 11/21 at the Township Offices regarding a discussion over the industrial Park/Gotion.
9. **Closed session with Attorney:** Stanek to invite attorney to 12/6 meeting for discussion and a closed session if needed.
10. **Sharing correspondence:** Discussion with Stanek on lack of correspondence/updated information on MCDC updates. Stanek commits to taking notes and sharing updates with board at weekly MCDC meetings.

11. **Delinquent Sewer Bills:** A motion was made by Bean to approve of adding the delinquent sewer bills to winter taxes. Supported by Geib. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

**Financial**

1. **Payroll:** A motion was made by Saez to approve of Payroll in the amount of \$21,750.81. Supported by Teceno. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
2. **Accounts Payable:** A motion was made by Geib to approve of Accounts Payables in the amount of \$95,413.78. Supported by Everett. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Teceno – Thank you for welcoming him to the Board, wished to have been able to do more but a busy time in his life. Enjoyed the time spent and hopes to continue on the Roads and Parks Committees. Has seen the board grow in the time he's spent and hopes they continue demanding more information regarding project Elephant because the lack of communication is unacceptable. Wished Nick Routley luck as he will take his seat as Trustee.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Big Rapids Charter Township will provide necessary and reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed material, if individuals with disabilities, upon five business days notice to the township. Individuals requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Hannah Saez, Big Rapids Charter Township Clerk, 14212 Northland Drive, Big Rapids, Mi 49307- call 231 796 3603 or fax request to 231 796 2533.**