

**BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 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, Routley present.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON 2023 APPROPRIATION AND SUPPORTING MILLAGE
Public Hearing opened: 7:00pm. Closed 7:01pm.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Robert Fisher - Sole purpose of the MCDC meetings for updates on questions/timelines/risks associated. Project risk - general economic impact "Fragile" Construction site risks and sites approved, business risk and sales/demand of batteries, Community risk, welcome here? Wanting to "build trust" apology on not being as forthcoming and transparent; hopes that members will attend meetings going forward.

Kelly W - Thank you for investment in MCDC

Patty Downey - Wanting everyone to do thorough research on Gotion; grave concerns about tax money going to wrong people

Jeremy Mishler - Great budget, thank you for prior public meeting on Gotion; allowed for different points of view and provided that opportunity. Can move vision forward, project may be fluid/fragile but community is not.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: Next public meeting date set to December 14, 2022 at 7pm at the County Services Building. Dubois Cooper Acknowledgement, website link to Information on Gotion

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **November 1, 2022, November 21, Special Meetings, & November 23, Special Meeting Minutes:**
2. **August & September Treasurer's Report:**
3. **November Financial Report:**
4. **Building Department Report:**
5. **Cemetery and Grounds Report:**
6. **Fire Department Report:**
7. **Sewer Department Report:**
8. **Water Department Report:**
9. **Planning Commission Minutes:**
10. **Roads Committee Minutes:**
11. **Supervisor's Report:**

A motion was made to approve of the Consent Agenda by Bean. Supported by Geib. Motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Quote on fire hall basement:** No action taken
2. **Request for Fire Class A uniforms:** Currie made a motion to approve of Class A uniforms in the amount of \$3,182.25, and to move the ribbons/patches to the January meeting. Supported by Bean. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
3. **2022 Budget Adjustments:** Currie made a motion to approve the budget recommendations as Bill has presented with a discussion and explanation afterwards with the Supervisor. Supported by Saez. Motion passed unanimously.
4. **Resolution 2022-06 Spark Grant Application:** A motion was made by Saez to approve of Resolution 2022-06 to apply to the Sparks Grant in the amount of \$360,000, with the removal of the last line noting matches. Supported by Bean. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
5. **Resolution 2022-07 update:** A motion was made by Bean to approve of Resolution 2022-07 to increase the amount applied to the Par Plan Grant for \$20,000 and with other additions. Supported by Geib. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

6. **Tree Removal Invoice:** A motion was made by Bean to approve of the Tree removal invoice for \$6,000 from Parks Capital Improvement. Supported by Geib. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
7. **Other:**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Planning Commission to add item 153.040 Cargo/Shipping Containers to our ordinance:** A motion was made by Currie to approve of the cargo container ordinance and to add "temporary" in front of portable and the first paragraph of item 3. Supported by Everett. Motion passed 6-1. Geib, no.
2. **Estimates for work on Fire Trucks:** Total of 3 quotes requested as usual, need 2 more.
3. **E-mail cost to continue:** A motion was made by Currie to approve of the email cost to continue. Supported by Bean. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
4. **Statutory Committee Appointments:** Currie made a motion to appoint the statutory committees. Supported by Everett. Motion passed unanimously.
5. **Resolution # 2022-08 Depositories:** Currie made a motion to approve of Resolution 2022-08. Supported by Saez. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
6. **Resolution # 2022-09 Meeting Dates for 2023:** A motion was made by Currie to approve of Resolution 2022-09. Supported by Saez. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
7. **Resolution # 2022-10 General Appropriations Act:** A motion was made by Currie to approve of Resolution 2022-10. Supported by Everett. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
8. **Resolution # 2022-11 2023 wages:** A motion was made by Currie to approve of Resolution 2022-11. Supported by Everett. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
9. **Update & discussion on Social Media Policy:** Moved to next month.
10. **Dubois-Cooper quote:** A motion was made by Currie to approve of the expenditure for a new sewer pump in the amount of \$25,200 with Dubois-Cooper. Supported by Everett. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
11. Grounds report: update given by Marc
12. **Website:** Bean to compile PDF of his documentation, insert hyperlink from The Right Place FAQ sheet.

Financial

1. **Payroll:** A motion was given by Currie to approve of Payroll in the amount of \$23,898.45 and \$2,477.48. Supported by Bean. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
2. **Accounts Payable:** A motion was made by Currie to approve of Accounts Payables in the amount of \$196,062.03. Supported by Everett. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Wendy Nystrom - last official meeting as a county commissioner, and a thank you from her for everything.

Attorney Report: Under advice of attorney, Bean made a motion to go into a closed session at 9:02 pm. Exited closed session at 9:56pm.

ADJOURNMENT:9:56pm.

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