

**BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024
BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP OFFICES
14212 NORTHLAND DRIVE, BIG RAPIDS MI 49307
6:00PM
UNAPPROVED**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00PM ROLL CALL: Bean, Saez, Teceno, Everett, Geib, present. Bechaz, Currie absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

Items of Business:

- 1. Ordinance Book Update** – Update from Bean: Township had been using 2-3 different versions of Ordinances unfortunately. Any changes the planning commission will have to hold a public hearing. Incidents have happened without proper documentation. Will look into seeing if there is a position where someone can streamline process of procedures so we can serve public as we should.
- 2. Communication from Gotion** – Update from Bean: first communication from Chuck Thelen, unsure if it's really him. Everett asked about closed session with them. General consensus of no; that's against what we've been fighting for; transparency. Consensus agreed that no response necessary to communication.
- 3. Property Tax Exemption Application:** A motion was made by Saez to approve of the Property Tax Exemption Application revised by our attorney effective 3/14/24. Supported by Geib. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
- 4. Corewell and WISE Applications:** A motion was made by Saez to approve of WISE's application for tax exemption. Supported by Teceno. Motion passed unanimously.
A motion was made by Saez to approve of Corewell's application for tax exemption. Supported by Teceno. Motion passed 3-1, Geib, no.
- 5. Tables for hall:** Discussion on people renting hall and renting additional tables/chairs, need of purchasing more. A motion was made by Geib to allow Hannah to purchase tables/chairs as needed for the hall up to \$7,000. Supported by Everett. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Bill Schoenlein: Applauds the board for implementing document control. Job title for that called a procedure writer.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:42pm.

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