

**BIG RAPIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026
BIG RAPIDS TOWNSHIP HALL, 14230 NORTHLAND DR.
BIG RAPIDS, MI 49307
7:00 PM
UNAPPROVED**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m. ROLL CALL: Borkovich, Bechaz, Everett, Marek, Saez, Teceno, Welch present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: Borkovich – Introduction of new County Commissioner in attendance, Randy Lapreze.
Bill Routley – Questions/Progress with Drain Code/Tonkin.**

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: Water Plant Update

**CORRESPONDENCE: Metro Act Right Of Way Extension Request
Norwich Township Master Plan Notice:**

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **March 3, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes:**
2. **Planning Commission/Board Mtg Minutes:**
3. **March 25, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes:**
4. **February Financial Report:**
5. **Sheriff's Report:**
6. **Cemetery and Grounds Report:**
7. **Sewer Department Report: - Borkovich to get crushed concrete/limestone quotes for 14 Mile LS.**
8. **Water Department Report: - Update on pressure valve issue at water plant over past weekend, City was very helpful with quick repair assessment. Reservoir lost 12 feet of water, alarm failed. Working on repair solutions.**
9. **Building Department Report:**
A motion was made by Saez to approve of the consent agenda. Supported by Everett. Motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **MDOT/Sidewalk – Resolution with the City of BR on Maintenance Agreement: A motion was made by Saez to approve of the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Big Rapids regarding the MDOT sidewalk addition. Supported by Everett. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**
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NEW BUSINESS:

1. **City Property Annexation: Discussion – Borkovich to ask Gifford to attend next meeting and discuss with Township Attorney. Bechaz stated concerns with annexation history.**
2. **Township Data Center Ordinance Suggestions:**
3. **Ordinance Book Update: Borkovich noted that the draft review is in the final stages, waiting for a response from the attorney on two updates.**
4. **Grounds Updates: Borkovich updated the board with progress of Cemetery/Grounds, hiring of two part time grounds employees for the summer season.**
5. **Other:**

Financial

1. **Payroll: A motion was made by Marek to approve of Payroll in the amount of \$30,184.13. Supported by Bechaz. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**
2. **Accounts Payable: A motion was made by Marek to approve of Accounts Payables in the amount of \$392,007.91. Supported by Bechaz. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

ADJOURNMENT: 7:45pm

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