

**GREEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, July 9, 2024**  
**GREEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP HALL, 21431 NORTHLAND DR.**  
**PARIS, MI 49338**  
**6:00PM**  
**UNAPPROVED**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00pm ROLL CALL Cushway, Hoeh, Henderson, Rasmussen, Kruse, present.  
Riebow, Thorne absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Robert DeShaine-introduced himself, running for Register of Deeds. Glad to be here. Joe Percy-running for supervisor, has concerns of excess spending and board members not doing their jobs. Constant battle with Gotion, continued litigation may bankrupt township. Katie Battle-running for trustee, has been a resident for 55 years. Doesn't work in Paris. Beth H.-After an audit, how long does it take to be made public? (Results of audit have not come back to the board yet.) Justin S.- Tried to pay taxes during posted hours, could not get a hold of anyone. Had a zoning issue too. Take care of the community and get these issues resolved. Randy B.-Is a numbers guy and disappointed he has no budget to look at. Carol B.-Issued email, requested it be forwarded to the board. Has concerns about the budget.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:**

1. Mutual Fire Protection Agreement with Gotion. A motion was made by Cushway to return the \$160,000 payment from Gotion for the City to Gotion. Supported by Henderson. Motion was passed unanimously on a roll call vote.
2. Budget Adjustment. A motion was made by Cushway to move \$50,000 from account 265 (Township Board) to 269 (Professional Services). Supported by Henderson. Motion was passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve Previous Minutes **Item A**
2. June Treasurer's Report **Item B**
3. Sewer Department Report
4. Legislative report: Randy Vetter, not much to report. Some discussion was had on marijuana tax money.
5. Planning and Zoning Report for June **Item C**
6. Sheriff's Report **Item D**

A motion was made by Cushway to approve the consent agenda. Supported by Henderson.  
Motion was passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Election Workers: Still seeking Democrat workers. County Training on July 23 or 24 from 10:00am to 12:00pm. Contact Clerk at 231-796-6201 or [clerk@greentownship.org](mailto:clerk@greentownship.org) to sign up.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Community Breakfast: Volunteer Committee

**FINANCIAL:** A motion was made by Cushway to approve the monthly checks #16467-16497 from GF and #4460-4464 from SF. Supported by Rassmussen. Motion was passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Joan P.-Wants to know who does the lawn mowing in cemeteries. It looked like a friend's flowers had been cut off. Heather S.-Owns North Ten Farm, I call and email. Can't make contact, can't get permits. Had issues paying taxes. Mailed a check and it disappeared. Ronald H.- There is a cascade of complaints. Has sent lots of emails and never a response. Bruce B.-it's important to have reasonable expectations. Township board members are a part time job. There is no statute that regulates office hours. Hours are set at the board's discretion. The clerk and treasurer have posted hours. Come back or call during those hours. Deb B.-County commissioners don't write back. Spoke about tyranny and the CCP. Rose S.-Appreciated what the board has done. Wendy M.-Petition that was turned in was legal. Was turned in before the court case.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion was made by Cushway at 7:57pm to adjourn the meeting.

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