

GREEN OAK CHARTER TOWNSHIP

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Regular Board Meeting, December 18, 2013 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance to Flag
3. Roll Call of the Board
4. Approval of the Agenda
5. Public Comment, **Agenda Related Items Only.**
6. Consent Agenda
 - a) Approval of the November 20, 2013 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
 - b) Approval of the submitted bills list
7. Department Head Reports & Requests:
8. Business Items
 - A. Historic Society Annual Report
 - B. Board and Commission Appointments
 - C. Staff Retirements
 - D. Board Meeting Schedules for 2014
 - E. Board/Committee/Commission Compensation Review
 - F. FIB
9. Discussion: As needed
10. Committee Reports: As needed
11. Executive Session: As Needed
12. Public Comment
13. Adjournment on or before 10:30 p.m.

1 Green Oak Charter Township
2 Board of Trustees
3 Regular Meeting Minutes
4 December 18, 2013
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6 Roll Call – Susan Daugherty, Treasurer, Richard Everett, Trustee, Rollin Green,
7 Trustee, Michael Sedlak, Clerk, Jim Tuthill, Trustee and Mark St. Charles, Supervisor
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9 Absent: Tracey Edry, Trustee
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11 Guests: 5
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13 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

14 **Motion by Daugherty, second by Tuthill**
15 **To approve the agenda as presented.**
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17 **Voice Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
18 **Nays: None**
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20 **MOTION APPROVED**
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23 **CALL TO THE PUBLIC** - None
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25 **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**
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- 27 1. Approval of the November 20, 2013 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
28 2. Approval of the submitted bill's list in the amount of \$516,006.60
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30 **Motion by Sedlak, second by Daugherty**
31 **To approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**
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33 **Voice Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
34 **Nays: None**
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36 **MOTION APPROVED**
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39 **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**
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41 **Treasurer** –None
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43 **Clerk** – Clerk Sedlak reported that there will be no February election but there will be an
44 election held in May, August and November in 2014.
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46 **Supervisor** – Supervisor St. Charles reported in accordance with Charter Township Act
47 and the uniform Budget Act he has provided a copy of the draft budget for the operating
48 year 2014/2015 in accordance with the required 90 days prior to adoption of the new
49 budget.

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51 **BUSINESS ITEMS**

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53 **A. Historical Society Annual Report**

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55 Marilyn Harrington gave a brief report of the activities that took place in 2013 such as
56 improvements that were done to the hall, the success of the garage sale and Green
57 Oak Day and a new activity that they hope to hold in 2014 called Pioneer Days.

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59 Supervisor St. Charles suggested contacting South Lyon Recreation Authority and
60 SELCRA to advertise the events like Pioneer Days in order to reach a larger audience
61 and gain more participation.

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63 **Motion by Sedlak, second by Green**
64 **To accept the Historical Society Annual Report as submitted.**

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66 **Voice Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
67 **Nays: None**

68 **MOTION APPROVED**

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72 **B. Board and Commission Appointments**

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74 Supervisor St. Charles recommended the following appointments:

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76 **Planning Commission**

77 Sarah Pearsall three year Reappointment with her term expiring on 12/31/2017

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79 **ZBA**

80 Wendy Hoover three year Reappointment with her term expiring on 12/31/2017

81 Billy Lintner three year Reappointment with his term expiring on 12/31/2017

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83 **Board of Review**

84 Amy Corotti a one year Reappointment with her term expiring on 12/31/2014

85 Dawn Goldberg a one year Reappointment with her term expiring on 12/31/2014

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87 **F.I.B.**

88 Howard Harrington a three year Reappointment with his term expiring on 12/31/2017

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90 **Historic District Commission**

91 Ruth Munzel a three year Reappointment with her term expiring on 12/31/2017

92 Fred Hanert a three year Reappointment with his term expiring on 12/31/2017

94 Huron River Watershed Council Representative
95 Fred Hanert a three year Reappointment with his term expiring on 12/31/2017

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97 Construction Board of Appeals
98 Julie Fielek a three year Reappointment with her term expiring on 12/31/2017
99 Quest Bacalis a three year Reappointment with his term expiring on 12/31/2017
100 Tim Kourt a three year Reappointment with his term expiring on 12/31/2017

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102 **Motion by Green, second by Tuthill**
103 **To proceed with the reappointments as presented with the date corrected**
104 **to state 12/18/2013 on Supervisor St. Charles memo.**

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106 **Voice Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
107 **Nays: None**

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109 **MOTION APPROVED**

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112 **C. Staff Retirements**

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114 Supervisor St. Charles explained that he received a letter on November 12, 2013
115 announcing that Police Chief Brookins and Lesa Brookins, Zoning Administrator are
116 retiring effective 2/15/14.

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118 There was brief discussion regarding the replacement process. Clerk Sedlak explained
119 that a succession plan has been in place since September of 2006 to promote Deputy
120 Chief Jason Pless. The Board felt that Deputy Chief Pless is more than qualified and
121 has completed all necessary training to prepare him for the position of Chief. Trustee
122 Everett suggested getting recommendations from surrounding communities and the
123 State Police so that those would lend 3rd party credibility to back up the Boards
124 decision. The Board did not feel that would be necessary given it is within the Boards
125 responsibilities to appoint the Chief.

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127 **Motion by Tuthill, second by Daugherty**
128 **To appoint Deputy Chief Jason Pless to Chief of Green Oak Charter**
129 **Township Police Department upon the retirement of Robert Brookins.**

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131 **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
132 **Nays: None**

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134 **MOTION APPROVED**

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137 **D. Board Meeting Schedules for 2014**

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139 **Motion by Green, second by Tuthill**
140 **To approve the meeting dates for 2014 as presented.**

142 **Voice Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
143 **Nays: None**

MOTION APPROVED

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148 **E. Board Committee/Commission Compensation Review**
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150 Supervisor St. Charles suggested setting up a policy that says those trustees that take
151 the time to serve on committees shall be compensated at the same per diem rate as the
152 ZBA or Planning Commission members. He explained that full time elected officials
153 cannot be compensated for Committees or Commissions that take place during the
154 regular work day.

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156 **Motion by Green, second by Daugherty**

157 **That all trustees that are appointed to commissions and or committees at**
158 **the behest of the Township Board shall be compensated at the Board set**
159 **per diem rate except as in conflict with State law or other Charter Township**
160 **law requirement's.**

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162 **Voice Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
163 **Nays: None**

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165 **MOTION APPROVED**
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168 **F. FIB**
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170 Cathy Carney gave a brief synopsis regarding hydraulic fracturing (or fracking) for
171 natural gas. She is concerned regarding the chemicals that are used that could pose
172 adverse health effects and/or adverse environmental impacts,
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174 She explained that this matter is of great importance and needs to be addressed. She
175 would like letters to be written to Lansing. Clerk Sedlak stated that he agreed with the
176 concerns about fracking but all information needs to be based in fact and not based on
177 opinions in the resolution. Ms. Carney also suggested that the Township contact
178 Conway Township for more information.

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180 The Board was in agreement to craft a resolution to consider FIB, LCWA, Hidden Lakes
181 and Centennial Farms.

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183 **DISCUSSION**
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185 Supervisor St. Charles reported that a meeting was held with the Road Commission and
186 the intersection at Silverside and Silver Lake Road was discussed and Mike Goryl will
187 follow up on and the limited sight distance was acknowledged in that area.
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