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Green Oak Charter Township
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 16, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor St. Charles at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Susan Daugherty, Treasurer, Tracey Edry, Trustee, Rollin Green, Trustee, Richard Everett, Trustee, Wally Qualls, Trustee, Michael Sedlak, Clerk, Mark St. Charles, Supervisor.

Absent: Rollin Green, Trustee

Guests: 12

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion by Qualls, second by Edry
To approve the agenda as submitted.**

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

MOTION APPROVED

PUBLIC COMMENT – opened at 7:01 p.m.

Walt Ernst Commented on the Huron River, Economic Development and the Hidden Lake Sewer Treatment Plant.

Supervisor St. Charles closed the public comment period at 7:04p.m. due to no further comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Approval of the May 19, 2010 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b) Purchase BS&A Software Upgrade
- c) Huron River Stream Gauging Station Operation Renewal
- d) Michigan Township Association Dues Renewal
- e) Michigan a Municipal Risk Management Authority Insurance Renewal
- f) Huron River Watershed Council Dues Renewal
- g) Economic Development Council of Livingston County Renewal

46 h) South Lyon Area Youth Assistance Contract for Services Renewal

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48 Clerk Sedlak explained that item b was a budgeted item and items c through h are all
49 regular reoccurring bills budgeted as well.

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51 **Motion by Daugherty, second by Qualls**
52 **To approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**

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54 **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
55 **Nays: None**

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57 **MOTION APPROVED**

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60 **APPROVAL OF SUBMITTED BILLS LIST**

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62 **Motion by Sedlak, second by Edry**
63 **To approve the bills list as presented.**

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65 **Voice Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
66 **Nays: None**
67 **Abstain: Qualls**

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69 **MOTION APPROVED**

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72 **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

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74 **Treasurer** – Treasurer Daugherty reported that the tax bills will be mailed no later than
75 July 1. She reported that the South Lyon School Board voted to increase their debt
76 millage rate from 8.5 mills to 10.5 mills which is an increase in resident's tax bills.
77 She explained that residents that meet the qualifications can apply for summer tax
78 deferment which will defer their bill into February 7, 2011. She also reported on a free
79 program that OLHSA is running for weatherization.

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81 **Clerk** – Clerk Sedlak reported that Sandy Hilty is the new Deputy Clerk. Also, absentee
82 ballots should go out within 3 days of receiving them.

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84 **Supervisor** – Supervisor St. Charles reported that Bill Haskell, Vice Chair for the
85 Planning Commission has submitted his letter of resignation.

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87 **Motion by Sedlak, second by Everett**
88 **To accept William Haskell's letter of resignation with regret and good**
89 **wishes.**

92 **Voice Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
93 **Nays: None**

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95 **MOTION APPROVED**
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98 Supervisor St. Charles reported that large item clean up would be held on June 18-19
99 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

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101 **BUSINESS ITEMS**
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103 **A. Township Engineers and Operators Report, Hidden Lake Sewer Treatment**
104 **Plant**

105 **Representing: Jim Redding –Rowe Engineering**
106 **Jeff Markstrom – Rowe Engineering**
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108 Mr. Redding explained that they recommended additional storage and alternatives for
109 disposal. He continued regarding the Bio Solids Digestion that the existing digester is
110 nearing capacity and an additional digester would provide reserve for variations in
111 loading, provide reserve storage if disposal cannot be arranged, provide improved
112 stabilization of bio solids and provide capacity for future growth. He explained that the
113 recommended option would be to modify operations of the existing two SBR's by raising
114 the water level in the tank and vary aeration based on fluctuations in the organic load
115 they could add oxygen sensors to each tank, modify operating software to vary blower
116 operation based on oxygen content.
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118 Trustee Everett felt that the modification on the two SBR tanks will make it more
119 efficient and a second digester on line would be cost effective. He was skeptical of
120 spending money on another tank. He suggested having a sewer committee and hold
121 meetings once a month.
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123 Clerk Sedlak questioned which option would bring the greatest amount of relief in the
124 least amount of time for the residents. He asked if adding the second digester would
125 reduce the existing level of odors. Mr. Redding explained that sealing the hatches will
126 offer a more immediate fix. Clerk Sedlak stated that he would like to see a permanent
127 fix.
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129 Trustee Qualls asked how long it would take to get the digester and option two done.
130 Mr. Redding stated that in order to do anything they have to get a permit and best way
131 is to present the entire package, he thought after doing that it would be sometime in the
132 fall.
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134 It was the consensus of the Board to have the engineers move forward with the
135 preliminary design and come back at the second meeting in July. The plans will include
136 designing the increase in storage, digester and modifying the software and the oxygen
137 sensors.

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139 Supervisor St. Charles reviewed the way the beds are cleaned. He reviewed various
140 process changes that could be done to help alleviate the problem with the odors. He
141 recommended adding filters to the top of the EQ tanks and replace the hatches to
142 sealed hatches on the tank. The total would be \$17,300 for those items. He
143 commented that the Township needed to be proactive rather than reactive. He also
144 recommended having two spare canisters on hand at \$1,000 each.
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146 **Motion by Everett, second by Edry**

147 **To authorize the Supervisor to spend up to \$20,000 for necessary**
148 **maintenance repair at the Sewer Treatment Plant.**

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150 **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
151 **Nays: None**

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153 **MOTION APPROVED**
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156 **B. Replacement Grinder Pumps**

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158 Supervisor St. Charles requested to restock spare pumps used to maintain sewer
159 system. The total cost for six pumps would be \$13,854.00.
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161 **Motion by Everett, second by Qualls**

162 **To purchase six grinder pumps for replacement to stock.**

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164 **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
165 **Nays: None**

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167 **MOTION APPROVED**
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170 **C. Zoning Text Amendments OA 01-2010**

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172 Clerk Sedlak explained that these amendments are to comply with the Michigan Zoning
173 Enabling Act and Right to Farm Act and P.A. 110 of 2006.
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175 **Motion by Sedlak, second by Qualls**

176 **To introduce Zoning Text Amendments OA 01-2010.**

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178 **Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous**
179 **Nays: None**

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181 **MOTION APPROVED**
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186 **D. Resolution 10-2010 Request for Charitable Gaming License**
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188 Supervisor St. Charles explained that this request is from Wolverine Wrestling Club and
189 this would allow them to raise funds and apply as a non profit. The club meets all
190 qualifications.
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192 **Motion by Sedlak, second by Everett**
193 **To approve Resolution 10-2010 for submittal to the state.**
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195 **Roll Call Vote:** **Ayes: Unanimous**
196 **Nays: None**
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198 **MOTION APPROVED**
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201 **E. MERS Retiree Health Funding Vehicle with Resolution 11-2010**
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203 Clerk Sedlak explained as a result of health care funding the requirements for
204 monitoring and auditing are being done in a different manner. In looking at this, he
205 contacted MERS who offers a funding vehicle. MERS made a presentation here at the
206 hall. The program does meet the standards for GASB 45. They only charge .45 of 1%
207 fee which is a low amount for the township and it meets the requirements for GASB 45.
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209 **Motion by Daugherty, second by Edry**
210 **To approve Resolution 11-2010 adopting the MERS Retiree Health Funding**
211 **Vehicle as presented.**
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213 **Roll Call Vote:** **Ayes: Unanimous**
214 **Nays: None**
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216 **MOTION APPROVED**
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219 Supervisor St. Charles called for a 5 minute recess at 8:35 p.m.
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221 Supervisor St. Charles called the meeting back to order at 8:40 p.m.
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223 **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Not needed
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225 **DISCUSSION**
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227 A. **Discussion of Draft Noise Ordinance**
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229 Supervisor St. Charles explained that Dr. Paul Shorma has reviewed the ordinance and

230 he believes it is acoustically correct, it addresses where to measure and how to
231 measure noise as well as the qualification of the person taking the measurements. All
232 of these were things that were deficient in the townships ordinance. It is a very
233 technical document. He commented that the Board needed to think about who was
234 going to be trained such as the police, the supervisor and the ordinance enforcement
235 officer. He would investigate training opportunities if it was approved.
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237 There was brief discussion regarding music at business establishments and tightening
238 up the section that deals with shooting ranges. Supervisor St. Charles stated that he
239 was favoring placing this under the General Ordinances.
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241 Clerk Sedlak commented that there could be some overly restrictive areas such as
242 vehicle noise.
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244 Supervisor St. Charles asked for comments so he can get it to Ms. Rosati and move it
245 forward.
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247 **COMMITTEE REPORTS-** None
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249 **CORRESPONDENCE** – All was distributed
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251 **PUBLIC COMMENT-** opened at 8:56 p.m.
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253 **Bob Moran** – He commented on the sewage treatment plant.
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255 **ADJOURNMENT**
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257 The Board of Trustees meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. due to no further business.
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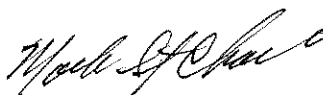
260 Respectfully Submitted,
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262 Kellie Angelosanto
263 Recording Secretary
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266 Approved as submitted July 7, 2010
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271 Michael H. Sedlak CMC,
272 Green Oak Charter Township Clerk

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271 Mark St. Charles
272 Township Supervisor