



PLAINFIELD CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
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Plainfield Charter Township  
Special Meeting  
January 9, 2014

**Special Board Meeting—8:00 a.m.**

1. The special meeting of the Plainfield Charter Township Board was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Supervisor Jay Spencer. Members present were: Supervisor Jay Spencer, Clerk Ruth Ann Karnes, Trustees Dave Grant, Vic Matthews, Dale Pomeroy and Jon Rathbun. Absent: Treasurer Bill Brinkman. Also present: Superintendent Cameron Van Wyngarden.
2. There were no public comments.
3. Consent Agenda
  - a. Approve the December 16, 2013 regular meeting minutes
  - b. Adopt a resolution to approve Amendment No. 38 in the Articles of Incorporation of Grand Valley Metro Council to add Lowell Township as a member
  - c. Approve the bid from River City Excavating for the demolition of 4646 Abridador Trail NE and 4337 Willow Drive totaling \$14,200
  - d. Approve the committee appointment recommendations from Supervisor Spencer
  - e. Approve the progress payment to Fedewa, Inc. totaling \$90,465.50 for the Buth water tank repainting
  - f. Consider a contract with Dixon Engineering, Inc. for technical specifications and contract documents for the proposed repainting projects for the Kroes spheroid and the 5 Mile reservoir
  - g. Adopt the Michigan DOT performance resolution for governmental agencies
  - h. Receive the Investment report for November 2013
  - i. Approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$457,868.23
  - j. Approve the request from Rick Solle, Director of Public Services, to attend the 2014 American Water Works Association's Utility Management Conference on February 25-28, 2014
4. The consent agenda was reviewed and amended. Matthews requested the committee appointment recommendations from Supervisor Spencer (item d) be moved to the agenda. Hearing no objections, Spencer moved it to the agenda as item 6a. Pomeroy moved, with support by Grant, to approve the agenda (including consent agenda, as amended, and Accounts Payable). Ayes: Spencer, Grant, Karnes, Matthews, Rathbun, and Pomeroy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
5. Karnes moved, with support by Matthews, to open a public hearing to commence a proceeding to consider a consent agreement renewal for Comcast of California/Massachusetts/Michigan/Utah, LLC to provide cable service in the Charter Township of Plainfield and to start a formal proceeding under 47 United States Code Sections 546 and 546(a)(1). Spencer stated: *The public hearing on Comcast and its consent agreement to provide cable service in the Township will now start. This is a proceeding commenced by Plainfield Charter Township on its own initiative under 47 United States Code Section 546(a)(1) which affords the public appropriate notice and participation for the purpose of (A) identifying the future cable-related community needs and interests, and (B) reviewing the performance of Comcast under its consent agreement during the current term of that agreement. This public hearing is an exercise by the Township of its Federal rights under Section 546(a)(1).*

*This public hearing is also held pursuant to the notice by Comcast of California/Massachusetts/Michigan/Utah LLC, doing business as Comcast, to renew its consent agreement to provide cable service in the Township and to start a formal proceeding under Section 546 which affords the public appropriate notice and participation for the purpose of (A) identifying the future cable-related community needs and interests, and (B) reviewing the performance of Comcast under its consent agreement during the current term of that agreement. We will now receive comments or documents from members of the public on the matters I have just described.*

Public comments: Van Wyngarden read a letter he received from Mr. John Gardner, Comcast Sr. Manager, Government Affairs, Heartland Region, who was not able to attend the public hearing. A copy of his letter is attached. (Attachment 1) There were no other public comments. Karnes moved, with support by Pomeroy, to table the public hearing. Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion carried. Spencer stated: *Tonight's cable hearing is now recessed but kept open. It will be continued at a later date.*

6. a. (added item) Rathbun moved, with support by Matthews, to accept the following Planning Commission appointments and terms:
    - Karl Koster, 1 year term expiring on December 31, 2014
    - David Ridout, 3 year term expiring on 12/31/2016
    - Charles Jylha, 3 year term expiring on 12/31/2016
    - One vacancy with term to expire on 12/31/2015 is yet to be filled.Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
  - b. (added item) Rathbun moved, with support by Matthews, to accept the following appointments to the Plainfield Avenue Corridor Improvement Authority:
    - Cheryl Scales, 3 year term expiring on 12/31/2016
    - Ken Chester, 3 year term expiring on 12/31/2016Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
7. Superintendent Van Wyngarden shared comments
  8. Board members shared comments.
  9. The meeting adjourned at 8:37 a.m.

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Ruth Ann Karnes  
Plainfield Charter Township Clerk

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Date

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Jay D. Spencer  
Plainfield Charter Township Supervisor

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Date

**CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned, as the duly elected and acting clerk of the township, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the regular meeting minutes of January 9, 2014 as approved by the Township Board of Plainfield Charter Township, at which a quorum was present.

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Plainfield Charter Township Clerk

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Date