



October 4, 2012

**Board Meeting/ & Luncheon****Monday October 8th at 10:30**

We have a short agenda for our meeting on Monday. We will begin at 10:30 at the Prince Center. We will have approximately 1/2 hour for our business meeting.

At approximately 11:00 am we will be joined by Attorney General Bill Schuette for an informal conversation and question and answer period. Please do not hesitate to ask the Attorney General any questions you may have.

At the business meeting we will have an action item regarding the Unified Planning Work Program Amendment for The Rapid.

We will also have a report from our Legislative Committee. On October 18th the committee met to discuss the ballot issues. As I previously reported also in attendance were experts on the ballot issues from the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce, Michigan Municipal League and Governor's Office. There was only time available to review proposals 1, 5 and 6. Mike DeVries, chairman of committee will make a report.

We will also need a motion to officially set the schedule for our meetings during the upcoming fiscal year. These dates are available in your packets.

**GVMC On the Road**

On Wednesday I had the opportunity to be the guest speaker at the Lowell Rotary Club.

It was a very enjoyable luncheon and I had the opportunity to talk about our Strategic Initiatives, GVMC and Transportation, REGIS and our efforts with LGROW and Clean Air Programs.

I also focused on our legislative and cooperation/collaboration initiatives. Former City Manager Dave Pasquale invited me to attend to inform his Rotary Club of the many activities of GVMC. I want to thank Dave for the invite and his continued support of GVMC.

If you would like me to speak at your Rotary, Lions, Kiwanis or other service clubs, do not hesitate to contact me.

**Membership Dues  
Have Been Sent**

As part of the reorganization of our Finance Department, our membership invoices for GVMC, LGROW, NPEDS and Transportation have been sent out. It was a goal to do this in a timely manner at the beginning of our fiscal year. REGIS dues will be coming shortly.

If you have any questions about your invoices, do not hesitate to contact Chris Brown.

**"The Van" Will Be At Our  
Next Board Meeting**

Several of our members have not had the opportunity take a close look at our Pavement Condition Data Collection Vehicle. Purchased in 2005, using federal and local funds, this technically sophisticated van is used to survey and collect pavement conditions and sign data.



The data from the van is shared with all members of GVMC. Pavement Management and Sign Management are critical and essential parts of the asset management system required by the state and federal governments.

Each year, GVMC collects data on 1,620 miles of the federal aid system, (mainly major roads). We also assist local governments with their roadway systems by analyzing 800 miles annually. This scientific data is used to program and prioritize future road improvement projects.

Please feel free to take a closer look. We will also have staff available to answer your questions and demonstrate "The Van".