

EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2014
Approved

Supervisor Rod Roy, at the Eureka Township Hall, 9322 S. Greenville Road, Greenville, MI, called the Regular Meeting of the Eureka Charter Township Board to order on February 10, 2014, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call found the following Board Members present: Supervisor Rod Roy, Clerk Linda Ruwersma, Treasurer Cindy Hanson, Trustees Jeremy Austin, Marty Posekany, Elaine Pendrick, and Brad Kelley. These minutes will not be approved until the March 10, 2014 Regular Board Meeting.

Approximately seven others were in attendance including Library Representative Ann Roberts, Planning Commission Members Mark Wilkin and Linda Weger, Deputy Charlie Mahar, Zoning Official Tom Faussett, Greenville City Council Member Fran Schuleit, and County Commissioner Tom Lindeman.

During the first Public Comment Commissioner Lindeman gave a brief update on County issues. Board of Review member Wilkin gave a brief report on the things learned at the recent BOR training that he would like to put into practice at the upcoming March BOR. Deputy Mahar gave a report about the recent break ins, stating that the thieves have been caught.

Trustee Pendrick moved, with a second by Trustee Posekany to approve the February 10 Agenda and Consent Agenda. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approving the Consent Agenda included accepting the January 13, 2014 Board Minutes as written. It also approved the Treasurer's report submitted with an ending balance of \$751,914.89 as of January 31, 2014; and the payment of February bills covering e-bills 398-409 and checks numbering 13518-13557 totaling \$31,989.02.

Also in the consent agenda were the zoning report from Mr. Tom Faussett showing 93 hours for January; and the Greenville Transit report showing 227 runs for January.

Deputies Charlie Mahar and Doug Houser were assigned to Eureka Township for the month of January. The sheriff report showed a total of 2,999 patrol miles, with 160.5 patrol hours, 43 traffic stops, 7 traffic citations, 104 property inspections, and 5 arrests.

Treasurer Hanson moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve for Eureka Township to act as advisory only concerning DNR Natural Rivers Act 451, Part 305 for all properties in the Township located within 300' of the Flat River and Wabasis Creek, leaving the full responsibility for administering the state statue to the State of Michigan. This will then be incorporated into the Eureka Township Zoning Ordinance 79. Motion carried.

Zoning Official Faussett reported to the Board that only two bids came in for the pavilion concrete work as follows: Ralph Masonry, Inc. - Phase 1 for \$3,600.00 and Phase 2 for \$6,605.00, with a not to exceed total of \$10,205.00; and Andrews Concrete - Phase 1 for \$4,250.00 and Phase 2 for \$6,800.00, with a not to exceed total of \$11,050.00. Faussett had many good references for Ralph Mason, Inc., and recommended to the Board to contract with him.

Trustee Posekany then moved, with a second by Treasurer Hanson to approve the Construction Contract for concrete work completed at the Eureka Township Hall for the pavilion with an

agreement to low bidder, Ralph Masonry, Inc., as the Independent Contractor for the above quote of a not to exceed total of \$10,205.00. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Supervisor Roy updated the Board stating the location of the third siren approved at last month's meeting will be on the corner of Baker and River Roads, purchased from West Shore Service, Inc., for a cost of \$9,500.00. There are a few details that need to be worked out with the Road Commission and Consumers Energy before the siren is installed. Roy also stated that he requested a map of the sirens in the City, so as to know where to place a fourth siren if the Board decides to purchase another one. This money will all be taken out of the police safety fund.

The February Montcalm Townships Association Meeting/Dinner hosted by Belvidere and Cato Townships is scheduled for Tuesday, February 18, 2014, at 7:00 pm.

Supervisor Roy explained to the Board that Deputy Clerk Michele Bigelow can continue to be on the BOR. We were misinformed at the MTA Conference, and it is the Deputy Treasurer who cannot be on the BOR, not the Deputy Clerk.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve to contract with the Road Commission for Montcalm County in 2014 for three applications of chloride on local roads in Eureka Township based on the following: 21.26 miles @ 1,650 GPM x 3 applications x \$.1386/gallon for a total of \$14,586.00. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

During the Second Public Comment, BOR Member Wilkin asked for direction creating a footprint for the Poverty Exemption Guidelines for Eureka Township. Supervisor Roy will gather information along with Treasurer Hanson and Assessor Miller and bring it back next month to approve the guidelines before the BOR begins on March 11, 2014.

Trustee Posekany gave a brief Planning Commission report stating the Planning Commission is continually working on the Master Plan. Trustee Austin presented information about outside tables for the pavilion recommending we purchase products with no upkeep.

Those present that went to the Michigan Townships Association Conference were thankful to the Township for sending them and they stated they learned a lot. There was also some discussion of the lighting for the pavilion.

After a few more comments, Supervisor Roy adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:05 pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMC
Eureka Charter Township Clerk
February 17, 2014