

EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2012
Approved

Supervisor Laura Shears, at the Eureka Township Hall, 9322 S. Greenville Road, Greenville, MI, called the Regular Meeting of the Eureka Charter Township Board to order on March 12, 2012, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call found the following Board Members present: Supervisor Laura Shears, Treasurer Cindy Hanson, Trustees Rodney Roy, Marty Posekany, Elaine Pendrick, and Brian Zayler. Clerk Linda Ruwersma was absent. These minutes will not be approved until the April 9, 2012 Regular Board Meeting. The meeting was audio taped. Deputy Clerk Renee Fountain acted as recording secretary in the Clerk's absence.

Approximately eight others were in attendance including Deputies Kevin Germain and Justin Schafer; Planning Commission Members Mark Wilkin and Linda Weger; County Commissioner Tom Lindeman, and Zoning Official Tom Faussett.

During the Public Comment Commissioner Lindeman mentioned that a County Road Millage might be on the ballot in the near future for Montcalm County. Mr. Wilkin gave an update on the Pavilion, but there was no word on the picnic tables.

Mrs. Pendrick moved, with a second by Mrs. Hanson to approve the March 12 Consent Agenda. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approving the Consent Agenda included accepting the February 13, 2012 Election Minutes and Board Minutes as written. It also approved the Treasurer's report submitted with an ending balance of \$678,186.50 as of February 29, 2012; and the payment of the bills paid in March in the amount of \$35,674.45 covering e-bills 192-200 and checks numbering 12475-12529, omitting damaged checks 12523-12526.

Also in the consent agenda were the zoning report from Mr. Tom Faussett showing 86.5 hours for February and the Greenville Transit report showing 210 runs. There were no fires reported for the month.

Deputies Kevin Germain and Doug Houser were assigned to Eureka Township for the month of February. The sheriff report showed a total of 4,041 patrol miles, with 162.5 patrol hours, 38 traffic stops, 18 traffic citations, 104 property inspections, and 2 arrests.

The public hearing for Building Heights to approve amending Zoning Ordinance#79, Chapter 3 General Provisions, Section 3.8 Accessory Buildings, Structures and Uses, C5., changing the chart to read as follows: maximum accessory building height on lots 1 ½ acres or larger to 35 ft. with no restriction on square footage was opened at approximately 7:20pm. After no public comments the hearing was closed at approximately 7:21pm.

Mr. Posekany moved, with a second by Mr. Zayler to approve amending Zoning Ordinance#79, Chapter 3 General Provisions, Section 3.8 Accessory Buildings,

Structures and Uses, C5., changing the chart to read as follows: maximum accessory building height on lots 1 ½ acres or larger to 35 ft. with no restriction on square footage. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The next Montcalm Townships Association Meeting/Dinner hosted by Home and Richland Townships is scheduled for Tuesday, April 17, 2012, at 7:00pm. Montcalm Townships Association has approved to hold their dinner/meetings bimonthly instead of monthly for 2012, so there will be no dinner/meeting in March.

Mr. Posekany moved, with a second by Mrs. Pendrick to approve to contract with the Road Commission for Montcalm County in 2012 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: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mrs. Hanson moved, with a second by Mr. Posekany to purchase a basic laptop for Eureka Township to be used for Township use only from SCS Computer for a total of \$658.00, which includes a one-year warranty and MS Office 2010 with Windows 7. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mr. Roy moved, with a second by Mrs. Pendrick to appoint Mr. Timothy Reno to the Eureka Township Planning Commission to finish the term of Mike Blanding who recently moved from Eureka Township. The term for Mr. Reno will expire on December 31, 2013. Mr. Randy Klepper and Mr. Bob Cooper were also considered for the position. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

There was much discussion about the Eureka Charter Township Regulatory Ordinance #84 Mining. A draft copy was distributed to the Board in February to review and bring back with suggestions concerning the purpose, licensing, and fees of the ordinance. Changes were made and discussed.

Mrs. Hanson then moved, with a second by Mr. Roy to approve to hold a Public Hearing concerning Eureka Charter Township Regulatory Ordinance #84 Mining with the changes. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

During the Second Public Comment Supervisor Shears mentioned to the Board that there is a Transportation Workshop for those interested in attending on April 26, 2012, for the cost of \$30.00. Shears also mentioned that she would like information from a foreclosure pamphlet included in the Township's Newsletter.

Supervisor Shears adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:00pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMC
Eureka Charter Township Clerk
March 15, 2012

