

**EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2011**  
**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 January 10, 2011, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call found the following Board Members present: Supervisor Laura Shears, Clerk Linda Ruwersma, Treasurer Cindy Hanson, Trustees Rodney Roy, Marty Posekany, Brian Zayler, and Elaine Pendrick. These minutes will not be approved until the February 14, 2011 Regular Board Meeting. The meeting was audio taped.

Approximately ten others were in attendance including Deputy Clerk Renee Fountain, Planning Commission Member Mark Wilkin, Deputy Kevin Germain, County Commissioner Tom Lindeman, Zoning Board of Appeals Member Linda Weger, Library Representative Ann Roberts, and Zoning Official Tom Faussett.

During the First Public Comment, Commissioner Lindeman mentioned that the County is purchasing a new ambulance, the occupancy of the jail is down which reduces revenue, and this past year was extremely low for the issuance of building permits.

Mr. Roy moved, with a second by Mrs. Pendrick to approve the January 10 Consent Agenda with a few minor changes. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approving the consent agenda included accepting the December 13, 2010 Board Minutes as written. The consent agenda also accepted the Treasurer's report submitted with an ending balance of \$550,272.17 as of December 31, 2010; and the payment of the bills in the amount of \$42,248.21 covering e-bills #'s 94-98 and checks numbering 11860 through 11898, omitting check # 11893.

Also in the consent agenda was the zoning report from Mr. Tom Faussett showing 85.5 hours for December. The Greenville Transit report showed 148 runs and the fire report showed 7 incident reports for the month. The Flat River Library report showed the designated penal fines were reported as \$26,536.96 for November. There were 2 building permits issued by the County in November. There was no sheriff report available.

The next Montcalm Townships Association Meeting/Dinner will be hosted by Reynolds and Winfield Townships on Tuesday, January 18, 2011, at 7:00pm. The annual Michigan Township Association Conference is scheduled for January 25-28, in Grand Rapids.

Mr. Posekany moved, with a second by Mr. Roy to approve the General Appropriations Act for 2011. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mr. Roy moved, with a second by Mr. Zayler to approve to contract with the Road Commission for Montcalm County in 2011 for three applications of chloride on local

roads in Eureka Township based on the following: 21.76 miles @ 1,650 GPM x 3 applications x \$.1386/gallon for a total of \$14,929.00. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mr. Roy moved, with a second by Mrs. Pendrick to approve the recommendation from the Planning Commission to rezone the Chapin property at 9352 Wise Road, parcel 59-008-004-002-42, consisting of 125 acres, from Manufactured Housing Residential (Mobile Home Park) and General Commercial, all to Suburban Residential. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mr. Roy moved, with a second by Mr. Posekany to reject the recommendation from the Planning Commission concerning dog kennels, sending it back to the PC for them to rewrite, taking into consideration what the County Ordinance states concerning dog kennel. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Township is moving ahead with the dry-hydrant issue. The Proposed Request for Proposals to install Dry-Barrel Fire Hydrants at six locations in Eureka Township was reviewed and revised by our Township attorney. An easement on the property of Lisa Pullum, 10253 Baldwin Road, would need to be constructed for one of the hydrants and a survey would also need to be performed.

Mrs. Ruwersma moved, with a second by Mr. Roy to approve a line item transfer of \$2,000.00 from the Contingency Fund 101-250-715 to the Election Supplies Fund 101-262-727 for the 2011 Budget. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

An updated resolution with Chemical Bank concerning who is allowed to access bank information, the e-banking, and the amount of signatures required was discussed. Supervisor Shears will research this more and bring it up for discussion again next month.

During the Second Public Comment Mark Wilkin stated he would like to enroll in the Township Governance Academy at the MTA Conference on January 25, 2011.

There was also some discussion concerning the request from Julie Boni asking the Township to allow a dog day care in the old Sears store on the north end of town. Mr. Faussett researched the issue and according to the County and the Department of AG (DOA) there are no requirements or standards for a dog day care business. To be consistent, the Board decided she should go ahead with ZBA meeting process.

Supervisor Shears adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:17pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMC  
Eureka Charter Township Clerk  
January 11, 2011

