

**EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2016**  
**Approved**

Supervisor Rodney 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 December 12, 2016, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Clerk Ruwersma stated that six Board Members were present which included the following: Supervisor Rodney Roy, Clerk Linda Ruwersma, Treasurer Cindy Hanson, Trustees Brad Kelley, Elaine Pendrick, and Marty Posekany. Trustee Austin arrived just a bit late after the Pledge of Allegiance. These minutes will not be approved until the January 9, 2017 Regular Board Meeting.

Approximately five others were in attendance including Planning Commission Member Linda Weger, County Commissioner Tom Lindeman, Deputy Brian Snyder, and Zoning Official Mark Wilkin.

During the first Public Comment, Commissioner Lindeman gave an update concerning County issues stating the new County website is up and running, and he reminded residents to call the County offices before going to the County building because the operating hours have been shortened. Deputy Snyder stated he has been checking on a few of the snow bird's houses and if anyone knows a person who needs their home checked on this winter to let the Sheriff's office know.

Trustee Austin moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve the items on the December 12, 2016 Agenda and Consent Agenda. Ayes: 7, Ruwersma, Hanson, Austin, Posekany, Pendrick, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approving the Consent Agenda included accepting the November 14, 2016 Board Minutes as written and the payment of the bills for December in the amount of \$81,060.28 covering e-bills 770-780 and checks numbering 15174-15222. The Treasurer's report showed an ending balance of \$938,184.62 as of November 30, 2016.

The consent Agenda also included the zoning report from Zoning Official Mark Wilkin showing 60 hours for November; the Greenville Transit report showing 233 runs; the fire report showed 3 incidents; and the Flat River Library report. There was no building report available for the month.

Deputies Brian Snyder and Charlie Mahar were assigned to Eureka Charter Township for the month of November. The sheriff report showed a total of 3,983 patrol miles, with 241 patrol hours, 18 traffic stops, 4 traffic citations, 240 property inspections, and 0 arrests.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve the agreement drafted by the attorney, omitting the surety bond wording for Mr. Russell Eggers

concerning the M-57 Development LLC, so that the Township can proceed with the Agreement. Motion carried.

Supervisor Roy reported that the Montcalm Township Fire Department has already fixed two of the dry hydrants and is in the process of fixing one more by the end of the month.

A newly submitted 2017 Hartlab Insurance Policy was distributed to the Board last month and Supervisor Roy checked on a few issues. He reported back this month that the total will be \$6,180.00 for 2017.

Supervisor Roy distributed the 2017 Road Project List to the Board.

Treasurer Hanson moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to contract with Berthiaume & Company for a three-year audit proposal contact paying \$6,700.00 for 2016; \$6,800.00 for 2017; and \$6,900.00 for 2018, which includes the F65 reports. Motion carried. Another audit quote from Campbell Auditing was submitting for \$6,400.00 for a three-year contract.

The representative from Friends of the Fred Meijer River Valley Rail-Trail did not show up to give the planned presentation.

Trustee Austin moved, with a second by Treasurer Hanson to approve the following for the 2017 calendar year:

**Banks:** Fifth Third Bank, Huntington Bank, Isabella Bank & Trust, Chemical Bank Montcalm, Choice One, and Michigan CLASS

**Monthly Board Meeting dates, time, and place:** The second Monday of each month, 7:00 pm, at the Eureka Charter Township Hall, 9322 S. Greenville Road, Greenville, MI

**Maintenance:** (1) Linda Ruwersma to clean the Township Hall with each worker being responsible for their own office and Linda will clean the remaining part of the Hall  
(2) Cutting Edge Lawn Mowing Service for lawn care at the Eureka Township Cemetery, the Hall, and the lot across Jordan Road on S. Greenville Road

**Attorney:** Bloom Sluggett Morgan

Motion carried.

The Board of Review dates and times for 2017 will be announced in January.

Treasurer Hanson moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve to re-appoint Tim Reno and Les Lillie to the Planning Commission, each for a three-year term ending December 31, 2019. Motion carried.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Clerk Ruwersma, to re-appoint Jeremy Austin and Richard Pendrick to the Zoning Board of Appeals, each for a three-year term ending December 31, 2019. Motion carried.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Austin, to appoint the following five members to the Board of Review beginning January 1, 2017: Randy Klepper, Wes

Ruwersma, and Linda Weger; first alternate Tony Adkison and second alternate Sharon Becher, each for a two-year term ending December 31, 2018. Motion carried.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve the 2017 General Appropriations Act. Ayes: 7, Ruwersma, Hanson, Austin, Posekany, Pendrick, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Austin moved, with a second by Trustee Posekany to approve the Proposed 2017 Fee Schedule as written with a change for the janitorial duties being raised from \$100.00 a month to \$120.00 a month. (An approved 2017 Fee Schedule will be distributed to the Board Members next month.) Motion carried.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve Resolution 2016-001 To Establish Township Supervisor's Salary at \$16,000.00 for 2017. Ayes: 7. Ruwersma, Hanson, Austin, Pendrick, Posekany, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Austin moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve Resolution 2016-002 To Establish Township Clerk's Salary at \$16,000.00 for 2017. Ayes: 7. Ruwersma, Hanson, Austin, Pendrick, Posekany, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve Resolution 2016-003 To Establish Township Treasurer's Salary at \$16,000.00 for 2017. Ayes: 7. Ruwersma, Hanson, Austin, Pendrick, Posekany, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Treasurer Hanson moved, with a second by Clerk Ruwersma to approve Resolution 2016-004 To Establish Township Trustee's Salary at \$143.00 per meeting and \$110.00 per special meeting for 2017. Ayes: 7. Ruwersma, Hanson, Austin, Pendrick, Posekany, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

After the Second Public Comment time, a few Board Member Comments, and a Planning Commission report from Trustee Posekany, Supervisor Roy adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:28 pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMMC/CMC  
Eureka Charter Township Clerk  
December 16, 2016