

EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2017
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 Monday, November 13, 2017, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Clerk Ruwersma stated that all Board Members were present, which included the following: Supervisor Rodney Roy, Clerk Linda Ruwersma, Treasurer Cindy Hanson, Trustees Jeremy Austin, Brad Kelley, Marty Posekany, and Elaine Pendrick. These minutes will not be approved until the December 11, 2017 Regular Board Meeting.

Approximately ten others were in attendance including Planning Commission Member Linda Weger, Zoning Official Mark Wilkin, Greenville Mayor pro-tem Fran Schuleit, and Deputy Travis Rose.

During the first Public Comment, three residents from South County Line Road were present to inquire about when the road work will begin on their road and when the speed study will be done and the Garlon that was sprayed on the roads this summer

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve the items on the November 13, 2017 Agenda and the Consent Agenda. Ayes: 7, Ruwersma, Hanson, Austin, Posekany, Pendrick, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approving the Consent Agenda included accepting the October 9, 2017 Board Minutes as written; and the payment of bills for November in the amount of \$84,086.28 covering e-bills 890-899 and checks numbering 15688-15729. The Treasurer's report showed an ending balance of \$682,062.88 as of October 31, 2017.

The consent agenda also included the zoning report from Mr. Mark Wilkin showing 63 hours for October; the Greenville Transit report showing 166 runs; the Flat River Library report; and the fire report showing 3 fires reported for October. There was no building report available.

The sheriff report showed a total of 3,725 patrol miles, with 224.5 patrol hours, 44 traffic stops, 4 traffic citations, 177 property inspections, and 5 arrests.

Newly appointed Montcalm County Central Dispatch Director Amy Thomas was present to introduce herself and give a brief report about the new technology that is being used at Central Dispatch and also about the Smart911 Program.

Supervisor Roy gave a brief update on the Mid-Michigan Humane Society and stated that the MMHS is now privately funded for their services rendered and is not contracting services with the townships regarding canines that are stray, at large, or free roaming in Montcalm County.

He also gave an update on the roads stating that the RCMC is finished for this year, and the 2018 Road Projects Meeting is scheduled for December 14, 2017, at 10:00 am in Stanton. There were some road projects suggested.

Zoning Official Wilkin gave a brief update on the M-57 Development stating that Mr. Russell Eggers is working diligently on the project and has been reporting back each week on the progress.

After some discussion about the hall rental agreement, Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve the changes to the Eureka Charter Township Rental Guidelines and Agreement form. Motion carried.

The Eureka Township Christmas Party is scheduled for Tuesday, December 5, with appetizers at 6:15 pm, and dinner at 6:30 pm, at the Eureka Charter Township Hall. All elected and appointed members from the Township and their guests are invited.

Two positions on the Township Planning Commission for Duane Putnam and Linda Weger; one position on the Zoning Board of Appeals for Tony Adkison, and one position on the Flat River Library Board for Ann Roberts will expire on December 31, 2017.

The Board of Review date for corrections is scheduled for Tuesday, December 12, 2017, at 9:00 am at the Eureka Charter Township Hall.

The next Montcalm Townships Association Meeting/Dinner hosted by Eureka and Sidney Townships will be held at the Eureka Charter Township Hall on Tuesday, December 12, 2017, at 7:00 pm. The Road Commission for Montcalm County has agreed to pay for the meals of each elected township official attending the dinner.

Clerk Ruwersma moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve Greenville Lawn Care for snow removal for the 2017-18 Season with the same rates as last year as follows: \$25.00 per plow; \$20.00 per shovel the side walk; and \$40.00 per de-icing. Ayes: 7, Hanson, Austin, Posekany, Pendrick, Kelley, Ruwersma, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Clerk Ruwersma reported that a Berridge Road resident requested for a street light to be installed at the corner of Berridge Road and West Carson City Road. Supervisor Roy will check with the residents on that corner to see if they would object to this and will report back next month.

Clerk Ruwersma moved, with a second by Treasurer Hanson to approve a budget transfer of \$1,500.00 from Election Supplies Fund 101-262-727 to Assessor Office Fund 101-257-727. Ayes: 7, Ruwersma, Hanson, Austin, Posekany, Pendrick, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve to allow the assessors to hire professional services after the first quarter of 2018, not to exceed \$1,600.00, to help them with the BS&A Program. Motion carried.

Trustee Posekany gave a brief Planning Commission report stating the board will be finalizing the solar farms this week.

Supervisor Roy also reported that the cemetery sign is finished and will be installed by the Cutting Edge. They have also raised and straightened the headstones at the Eureka Township Cemetery.

Profit and Loss sheets were also distributed.

After Audience and Board Member Comments, Supervisor Roy adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:20 pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMMC/CMC
Eureka Charter Township Clerk
November 14, 2017