

EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2018
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 12, 2018, 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 10, 2018 Regular Board Meeting.

Approximately seven others were in attendance including Planning Commission Member Linda Weger, Zoning Official Mark Wilkin, County Commissioner Tom Lindeman, newly elected County Commissioner-elect Brendan Mahar, and Secretary Nominee Deb Homant.

Nothing was said at the first Public Comment.

Trustee Pendrick moved, with a second by Trustee Posekany to approve the items on the November 12, 2018 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 8, 2018 Board Minutes as written; and the payment of bills for November in the amount of \$37,738.13 covering e-bills 1018-1030 and checks numbering 16231-16291. The Treasurer's report showed an ending balance of \$875,076.52 as of October 31, 2018.

The consent agenda also included the zoning report from Mr. Mark Wilkin showing 84 hours for October; the Greenville Transit report showing 244 runs; two planning commission reports, the Flat River Library report; and a fire report showing 6 incidents for October. There was no building report available.

The sheriff report showed a total of 4,525 patrol miles, with 202 patrol hours, 30 traffic stops, 6 traffic citations, 144 property inspections, and 2 arrests.

In June, Supervisor Roy completed an application to the Adopt-A-Highway Program, but he still has not heard back from the State of Michigan.

On August 13, 2018, Secretary Angela Adkison turned in her resignation from her position with Eureka Charter Township, and that evening at the Board Meeting, Linda Jones was appointed as the temporary secretary until the end of December. An ad was put in the *Daily News* and the Township received thirty-eight resumes. Six were chosen by the hiring board to interview on November 7 and 8, and Deborah Homant was the recommendation to bring before the Township Board. Deb Homant was present at the meeting and introduced herself to the Board.

After some discussion, Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Clerk Ruwersma to approve Deb Homant as the new Township Secretary beginning immediately at \$12.00 an hour. Motion carried. She will be starting her training with Secretary Linda Jones on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, at 10:00 am.

At approximately 7:09 pm, Supervisor Roy opened the second Public Hearing concerning the Karner Drive Special Assessment. There are twelve parcels involved and in the recent survey the Board received eight yes votes for a ten-year assessment. After some discussion, the public hearing was closed at approximately 7:10 pm.

Trustee Austin then moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve renewing the Karner Drive Special Assessment for \$150.00 per parcel per year, for a ten-year period, beginning in 2019-2028. Motion carried.

The Eureka Township Christmas Party is scheduled for Wednesday, December 12, 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.

At approximately 7:12 pm, Supervisor Roy opened the Public Hearing concerning the proposed Eureka Charter Township Demolition Ordinance #88. After some discussion concerning additions recommended by the Planning Commission, the public hearing was closed at approximately 7:16 pm.

Trustee Posekany then moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve the proposed Eureka Charter Township Demolition Ordinance #88 with the Planning Commission's additional recommendations to #3F. Ayes: 7, Hanson, Austin, Posekany, Pendrick, Kelley, Ruwersma, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried Motion carried.

Two positions on the Township Planning Commission for Randy Klepper and Joyce Sage; one position on the Zoning Board of Appeals for Wes Ruwersma; one position on the Flat River Library Board for Maureen Burns; and all five positions on the Board of Review will expire on December 31, 2018. An ad was put in the *Daily News*, and the Board will be filling all of the positions at the December 10, 2018 Board Meeting.

A brief Board of Review Meeting to take care of corrections for the year is scheduled for Tuesday, December 12, 2018, at 9:30 am at the Eureka Charter Township Hall.

Supervisor Roy gave an update on the roads stating that the RCMC is finished for this year, and the 2019 Road Projects Meeting is scheduled for December 5, 2018, at 10:20 am in Stanton.

The next Montcalm Townships Association Meeting/Dinner hosted by Home and Richland Townships will be held on Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 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.

Trustee Austin moved, with a second by Trustee Posekany to approve a Public Hearing on Monday, December 10, 2018, at 7:00 pm, for a proposed regulatory ordinance called Eureka Charter Township Marihuana Establishments and Facilities Ordinance #89. Motion carried.

Treasurer Hanson moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve a budget transfer of \$500.00 from Contingency Fund 101-250-715 to Fire Maintenance Fund 101-336-977. Ayes: 7, Ruwersma, Hanson, Austin, Posekany, Pendrick, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Clerk Ruwersma moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve Cutting Edge for snow removal for the 2018-19 Season with the rates as follows: \$45.00 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.

Commissioner Tom Lindeman gave a short report concerning County issues, and Trustee Posekany gave a brief Planning Commission report stating the surveys from William & Works should have been mailed by now to township residents.

The 2019 Budget was distributed by the Clerk, along with the Profit and Loss sheets.

After Audience and Board Member Comments, Supervisor Roy adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:35 pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMMC/CMC
Eureka Charter Township Clerk
November 14, 2018