

EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 13, 2019
Approved

Supervisor Rod 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 May 13, 2019, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Clerk Ruwersma stated all Board Members were present, which included the following: Supervisor Rod Roy, Clerk Linda Ruwersma, Treasurer Cindy Hanson, Trustees Jeremy Austin, Marty Posekany, Elaine Pendrick, and Brad Kelley. These minutes will not be approved until the June 10, 2019 Regular Board Meeting.

Approximately four were in attendance including Planning Commission Member Linda Weger, City Councilmember Sylvia Warner, Deputy Greg Syrjala, and Zoning Official Mark Wilkin.

Nothing was said during the first Public Comment.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve the May 13, 2019 Agenda and Consent Agenda. Ayes: 7, Roy, Ruwersma, Hanson, Austin, Kelley, Pendrick, and Posekany. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approving the Consent Agenda included accepting the April 8, 2019 Board Minutes as written. It also approved the Treasurer's report submitted with an ending balance of \$1,236,284.30 as of April 30, 2019; and the payment of the April bills in the amount of \$38,587.14 covering e-bills 1084-1094 and checks numbering 16512-16555.

Also, in the consent agenda was the Flat River Library report, the zoning report from Mr. Mark Wilkin showing 54 hours for April, and the Greenville Transit report showing 211 runs for the month. The fire and building reports were not available.

The sheriff report showed a total of 4,973 patrol miles, with 224.5 patrol hours, 17 traffic stops, 3 traffic citations, 148 property inspections, and 1 arrest.

Supervisor Roy gave a brief road contract report stating that seventeen approved road projects are scheduled to be completed by fall.

The Township Cleanup Day on Saturday, May 11, 2019, was again a huge success. Six dumpsters were set up and filled on the Township's vacant lots across Jordan Road; five dumpsters for trash and one dumpster for steel. Over seventy residents came with forty-six tires being collected for a fee of \$2.50 each. The tires will be taken to Pitsch Sanitation on Tuesday by resident Wes Ruwersma. Marty Posekany, Brad Kelley, Linda Weger and Tim and Mary Reno volunteered to assist Supervisor Roy during the cleanup.

Supervisor Roy reported that articles for the newsletter are still being collected until May 31, 2019.

The 2018 yearly audit was conducted on April 29, 2019, by Berthiaume & Company audit firm. Treasurer Hanson will contact the firm and have a representative come at one of the next meetings to give us a report.

At last month's meeting, four bids for the hall addition came in from Hubbert's Home Improvement for \$30,680.00; Jeremy Austin Construction for \$29,256.00; Scheid Jonas Builders for \$31,800.00; and Tissue Construction for \$23,850.00. It was decided to focus on the two bids from the Township residents. However, there were a few prices on the Tissues Construction bid that were not what the blue print asked for, so Supervisor Roy contacted Mr. Tissue who submitted a new bid for \$27,688.00. A more precise bid was also submitted from Jeremy Austin Construction with the same price as last month of \$29,256.00.

Last month the Board approved for Trustee Austin to abstain from voting on the approval of the bid for the addition at the Hall.

Trustee Posekany then moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve to contract with Tissue Construction to build the addition for the archive room at the Township Hall for \$27,688.00. Ayes: 6, Roy, Ruwersma, Hanson, Kelley, Pendrick, and Posekany. Nays: 0. Abstain: 1, Austin. Motion carried.

Supervisor Roy stated that the generator that was approved last month will be installed at the end of this month; and that the 2019 Tri Greenville Triathlon & Duathlon is scheduled for Saturday, June 1.

Supervisor Roy reported that recently the Montcalm County Planning Commission Members have been discussing the issue of renewable energy in the County, and would like the Townships in Montcalm County to have a unified set of guidelines that would be in the best interest of all involved when dealing with wind mills and solar panel farms. Supervisor Roy will be receiving a sample Ordinance in the near future concerning this.

The next Montcalm Township Meeting/Dinner will be Tuesday, June 18, 2019, 7:00 pm, hosted by Pine and Douglass Townships.

Deputy Syrjala gave a brief Sheriff report, and Trustee Posekany gave a brief Planning Commission report stating that there was discussion about the regulation of barn activities.

During the Second Public Comment and Board Member Comments there was some discussion about installing security cameras at the hall. After a few other comments, Supervisor Roy adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:05 pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMMC/CMC
Eureka Charter Township Clerk
May 14, 2019