

EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2019
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 9, 2019, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Clerk Ruwersma stated that all seven Board Members were present which included the following: Supervisor Rodney Roy, Clerk Linda Ruwersma, Treasurer Cindy Hanson, Trustees Brad Kelley, Jeremy Austin, Elaine Pendrick, and Marty Posekany. These minutes will not be approved until the January 13, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.

Approximately five others were in attendance including Planning Commission Members Linda Weger and Mary Sharp; County Commissioner Brendan Mahar, Zoning Official Mark Wilkin, and Deputy Michael Kotenko.

Nothing was said during the first Public Comment time.

Trustee Pendrick moved, with a second by Trustee Posekany to approve the items on the December 9, 2019 Agenda and the Consent Agenda. Ayes: 7, Ruwersma, Hanson, Posekany, Pendrick, Austin, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approving the Consent Agenda included accepting the November 11, 2019 Board Minutes as written and the payment of the bills for December in the amount of \$43,917.76 covering e-bills 1160-1170 and checks numbering 16823-16862. The Treasurer report showed an ending balance of \$1,033,294.73 as of November 30, 2019.

The consent Agenda also included the zoning report from Zoning Official Mark Wilkin showing 46 hours for November; the Greenville Transit report showing 235 runs; the fire report showing 5 incidents; and the Flat River Library report.

The sheriff report showed a total of 5,310 patrol miles, with 206 patrol hours, 31 traffic stops, 7 traffic citations, 216 property inspections, and 5 arrests.

Supervisor Roy distributed a suggested Township Road Project list for 2020. The meeting with the Road Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, December 18, 2019, 11:40 am, in Stanton.

The next Montcalm Townships Association Meeting/Dinner hosted by Evergreen and Bushnell Townships will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2019, 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 Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve the following for the 2020 calendar year:

Banks: Fifth Third Bank, Huntington Bank, Isabella Bank & Trust, Chemical Bank Montcalm, Choice One, and MI 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

Attorneys: Bloom Sluggett PC; and Mika Meyers

Motion carried.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Treasurer Hanson to contract with Berthiaume & Company for a three-year audit proposal contact paying \$7,000.00 for the audit for 2019; \$7,100.00 for 2020; and \$7,200.00 for 2021, which includes the F65 reports. Ayes: 7, Ruwersma, Posekany, Pendrick, Austin, Hanson, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Treasurer Hanson moved, with a second by Trustee Posekany to approve the newly submitted 2020 Hartlab Insurance Policy with an increase, for a total of \$6,600.00. Ayes: 7, Ruwersma, Posekany, Pendrick, Austin, Hanson, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to appoint Les Lillie and Tim Hyde to the Planning Commission, each for a three-year term, with the terms ending December 31, 2022. Motion carried.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Posekany, to re-appoint Jeremy Austin and Richard Pendrick to the Zoning Board of Appeals, with three-year terms ending December 31, 2022. Motion carried.

Treasurer Hanson moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve the 2020 General Appropriations Act printed as follows: Estimated township general fund revenues for calendar year 2020, including an allocated millage of 0.7966; voter-authorized millage of 2.2320 mills; and other revenues shall total \$918,867.96. Ayes: 7, Ruwersma, Posekany, Pendrick, Austin, Hanson, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Treasurer Hanson moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve the Proposed 2020 Fee Schedule as written with several changes to the wages and fees. (An approved 2020 Fee Schedule will be distributed to the Board Members next month.). Ayes: 7. Ruwersma, Hanson, Pendrick, Austin, Posekany, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve Resolution 2019-002 to Establish the Township Supervisor's Salary, the Township Treasurer's Salary, and the Township Clerk's Salary each at \$17,000.00 yearly for 2020. Ayes: 7. Ruwersma, Pendrick, Posekany, Austin, Hanson, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Trustee Austin to approve Resolution 2019-003 to Establish Township Trustee's Salary at \$145.00 per meeting and \$110.00 per special meeting for 2020. Ayes: 7. Ruwersma, Pendrick, Hanson, Austin, Posekany, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve the Assessor's 2020 yearly salary of \$28,000.00. Ayes: 7. Ruwersma, Pendrick, Hanson, Austin, Posekany, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Treasurer Hanson to approve the Zoning Official's 2020 yearly salary of \$25,000.00. Ayes: 7. Ruwersma, Austin, Pendrick, Hanson, Posekany, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Deputy Kotenko gave a brief police report. Commissioner Mahar explained a few things concerning the two millages that will be placed on the March 10, 2020 Presidential Election.

After the Second Public Comment time, Board Member Comments, and a Planning Commission report by Trustee Posekany, Supervisor Roy adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:13 pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMMC/CMC
Eureka Charter Township Clerk
December 11, 2019