

**EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, JULY 13, 2015**  
**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 July 13, 2015, 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 August 10, 2015 Regular Board Meeting.

Approximately eleven others were in attendance including Planning Commission Members Linda Weger and Randy Klepper; County Commissioner Tom Lindeman, Secretary Renee Fountain, Greenville Mayor pro tem Fran Schuleit, and Deputy Douglas Houser.

Trustee Pendrick moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve the July 13, 2015 Agenda and Consent Agenda. Ayes: 7, Austin, Kelley, Pendrick, Posekany, Ruwersma, Hanson, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approving the Consent Agenda included accepting the June 8, 2015 Board Minutes as written; and the payment of the bills for the month of June paid in July in the amount of \$40,610.59, covering e-bills 590-597 and checks numbering 14372-14396, voiding checks 14385, 14386, and 14387. It also approved the Treasurer's report submitted with an ending balance of \$895,697.44 as of June 30, 2015.

The consent agenda also included the Greenville Transit report showing 174 runs. There were no zoning or building reports available.

Deputies Charlie Mahar and Douglas Houser were assigned to Eureka Charter Township for the month of June. The sheriff report showed a total of 3,725 patrol miles, with 180 patrol hours, 50 traffic stops, 12 traffic citations, 101 property inspections, and 1 arrest.

Trustees Posekany and Pendrick have been working on getting a grant for playground equipment at the Hall. Ted Bosch from Playworld arrived today at 6:00 pm to measure and look around the grounds to see where to put the equipment. He gave a 15-minute presentation explaining the different types of equipment, the installation, prices, and warranties.

During the first Public Comment, Randy Klepper commented on the portable restroom and asked how often it is necessary to have it maintained. He also had a question about if the Township Zoning Administrator should be working on a complaint driven basis or if he should drive around and be looking for violations. Commissioner Lindeman also gave a brief report on County issues.

Also during Public Comment County Prosecutor Andrea Krause was present with Sue Pabst representing IMSAFE (Ionia, Montcalm, Safe and Friendly Environment) Children Advocacy Center asking for funds to help with the program. They gave a 15-minute presentation explaining how the program has agreed to combine resources and work together to promote the welfare of the abused child. They explained that an experienced team of community professionals are committed to the treatment and tracking of child abuse investigations. Deputy Houser also commented on how this program would benefit Eureka Charter Township.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to contract with B & E Coating Services to re-surface the Township's parking lot for \$2,095.00. Other bids were from Blackedout Asphalt Maintenance Inc. for \$1,470.00 and Black Bird Asphalt Sealcoating & Line Striping for \$2,365.00. Ayes: 7, Austin, Kelley, Pendrick, Posekany, Ruwersma, Hanson, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Supervisor Roy gave an update about the Baldwin Lake Agreement with the City of Greenville. He stated that the Baldwin Sewer Agreement Joint Public Hearing was held on Thursday, June 4, 2015, at 7:00 pm at the Greenville Community Center. At this meeting the attorneys explained the draft agreement and answered questions concerning the legality of the process. Another public hearing will be held in the near future concerning qualifications and certification requirements and the costs for the residents.

He also gave a report about the M-57 Development stating the attorneys are still working on the litigation process.

There have been a couple of residents interested to be the Montcalm County Economic Alliance Member, but they have not returned a letter of intent. The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 15, 2015, at 2:00 pm, and Supervisor Roy will be attending.

Supervisor Roy gave a pavilion update stating he has put out a sign for where a grill should be used, and about the added items.

Trustee Posekany gave a brief report on the process of receiving a grant and showed the Board the request sheet. The total project amount requested is \$25,000.00 and would be granted in October if approved.

Trustee Posekany moved, with a second by Trustee Austin to approve a new Eureka Charter Township FOIA Procedures and Guidelines Policy and the six forms within the policy in Appendix 11. Motion carried.

Treasurer Hanson moved, with a second by Trustee Posekany to amend the fee schedule changing the research for FOIA request to \$2.75 per each 15-minute increment. Motion carried.

Clerk Ruwersma and Secretary Fountain gave a brief update on the Eureka Charter Township Cemetery and the changes they are making to have a better cemetery. We will also check into if Eureka Charter Township needs to have a perpetual fund.

There was a request from a resident to install a street light at the west end of Baldwin Lake. Supervisor Roy will check into this and maybe send out letters to the resident at the end of the lake.

The City of Greenville recently had an ambulance donated to them by Life EMS. The vehicle has been painted and the City asked if the Township would consider funding the graphics for the vehicle.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to agree to fund the graphics for the ambulance recently donated to the City of Greenville, not to exceed \$800.00. Ayes: 7, Austin, Kelley, Pendrick, Posekany, Ruwersma, Hanson, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

During second public comment Dale Larsen was present to express his concern about approximately 100 dirt bikers on the Chapin property on Wise Road.

Abraham and Gaffney gave a good report concerning the 2014 audit.

The next Montcalm Townships Association Meeting/Dinner hosted by Home and Richland Townships is scheduled for Tuesday, August 18, 2015, at 7:00 pm.

Supervisor Roy adjourned the meeting at 9:21 pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMC  
Eureka Charter Township Clerk  
July 23, 2015