

**EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2016**  
**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, October 10, 2016, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Clerk Ruwersma stated that five Board Members were present, which included the following: Supervisor Rodney Roy, Clerk Linda Ruwersma, and Trustees Elaine Pendrick, Jeremy Austin, and Brad Kelley. Treasurer Cindy Hanson and Trustee Marty Posekany were absent. These minutes will not be approved until the November 14, 2016 Regular Board Meeting.

Approximately eleven others were in attendance including County Commissioner Tom Lindeman, Zoning Official Mark Wilkin, and Greenville Councilmember Sylvia Warner.

During the first Public Comment Commissioner Lindeman gave an update concerning County issues stating the County has laid off approximately twenty employees; the budget has been balanced with a seven-year plan.

Mr. Tim Rozell from Retirement Plan Advisors was present to explain the Deferred Compensation Plan that the Township has been participating with since 2005. He left a few packets for anyone interested.

Tracy Pritchard from the Montcalm County Remonumentation Program was present to explain to the Board that Eureka Charter Township has eight corners to complete the program at \$1,300.00 per corner for a total of \$10,400.00.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve the items on the October 10, 2016 Agenda and the Consent Agenda. Ayes: 5, Ruwersma, Austin, Pendrick, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approving the Consent Agenda included accepting the September 12, 2016 Board Minutes as written; and the payment of the October bills in the amount of \$41,005.09 covering e-bills 745-755 and checks numbering 15074-15117. It also included the Treasurer's reports showing an ending balance of \$940,207.40 as of September 30, 2016.

The consent agenda also included the zoning report from Mr. Mark Wilkin showing 52 hours for September; the Greenville Transit report showing 173 runs; the Flat River Library report; and the Fire report showing 7 incidents. There was no Building report.

Deputies Charlie Mahar and Brandon Allen were assigned to Eureka Township for the month of September. The sheriff report showed a total of 4,730 patrol miles, with 400.5 total hours, 63 traffic stops, 19 traffic citations, 232 property inspections, and 5 arrests.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve Montcalm Township Fire Department to repair the three dry hydrants not to exceed \$1,035.60. Ayes: 5, Ruwersma, Austin, Pendrick, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The next Montcalm Townships Association Meeting/Dinner hosted by Bloomer and Chrystal Townships will be Tuesday, October 18, 2016, at 7:00 pm.

Supervisor Roy gave an update on the new office printer, the 2016 road projects, and the M57 Development Agreement, stating there is really no new information on any of them. He also gave an update on the recent Eureka Charter Township Open House held Saturday, September 24, 2016; stating approximately seventy people came and they went through ninety hotdogs.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve to amend Ordinance #79, Chapter 13 Signs, Section 13.4 General Sign Provisions, adding the following: ***N. Absolutely no signage permitted in any Clear Vision areas along all State roads. Signs permitted along State roads in the Right of Way area may be no closer than thirty feet from the white fog line unless there is curbing; then no closer than three feet and must have permission from the property owner. This pertains to political signs only. All other signs are subject to Township approval with the exception of billboards as they fall under MDOT jurisdiction.***

And also to amend Chapter 13 Signs, Section 13.2 Definitions, adding the following: ***BB. The Right of Way Area: The Right of Way area is the property that runs along both sides of all State roads. CC. The Clear Vision Area: The Clear vision area is defined as the triangle shaped area at all four corners of an intersection only on the State roads. These areas have different dimensions throughout the Township. For the dimensions one would refer to MDOT website under Clear Vision then under Eureka Charter Township.***

Motion carried.

At approximately 8:05 pm, Supervisor Roy opened the Public Hearing concerning the Proposed 2017 Budget. After some discussion the public hearing was closed at approximately 8:23 pm.

Trustee Kelley then moved, with a second by Trustee Pendrick to approve the Proposed Budget for 2017 with the five changes discussed earlier. Ayes: 5, Ruwersma, Austin, Pendrick, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Pendrick moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to donate \$10,400.00 to the Montcalm County Remonumentation Program to finish the following eight corners in Eureka Charter Township: 2L, 4F, 4H, 10J, 10L, 11L, 12J, and 12L, at \$1,300.00 per corner, to be completed in 2017 and paid for out of the 2017 Budget. Ayes: 5, Ruwersma, Austin, Pendrick, Kelley, and Roy. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Clerk Ruwersma will be putting an ad in the paper for the appointments for terms expiring in December on the Zoning Board of Appeals, Board of Review, and Planning Commission.

After a few public comments and discussion about the sign, Supervisor Roy adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:35 pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMMC/CMC  
Eureka Charter Township Clerk  
October 14, 2016