

EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022
Approved

Supervisor Darcia Kelley, at the Eureka Township Hall, 9322 SW Greenville Road, Greenville, MI, called the Regular Meeting of the Eureka Charter Township Board to order on December 12, 2022, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Clerk Ruwersma stated that all seven Board Members were present which included the following: Supervisor Kelley, Clerk Linda Ruwersma, Treasurer Cindy Hanson, Trustees Brad Kelley, Jeremy Austin, Tim Johnson, and Kristin Lower. These minutes will not be approved until the January 9, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

Approximately four others were in attendance including Planning Commission Member Marty Posekany and Deputy Trevor Lincoln.

Nothing was said during the First Public Comment.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Austin to approve the November 14, 2022 Board Minutes as written. Motion carried.

Trustee Lower moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve the Treasurer's report showing a balance of \$798,746.02 as of November 30, 2022. Motion carried.

Trustee Lower moved, with a second by Treasurer Hanson to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of \$54,131.44 covering e-bills 1506-1512 and checks numbering 2364-2391. Ayes: 7, Darcia, Linda, Cindy, Tim, Jeremy, Kristen, and Brad. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The reports available were from the Planning Commission, Zoning, Sheriff, the Transit showing 170 runs, and the Fire report showing 8 incidents.

The November sheriff report showed a total of 5,004 patrol miles, with 219 patrol hours, 26 traffic stops, 0 traffic citations, 262 property inspections, and 0 arrests. Deputy Lincoln gave a brief report.

Trustee Lower gave a brief Planning Commission report concerning the special land use permit for a greenhouse for Jon Behrends.

Supervisor Kelley gave a brief zoning report and an update on the kitchen remodeling scheduled for January 2023.

After Supervisor Kelley gave a brief kitchen remodel report, Trustee Lower moved, with a second by Treasurer Hanson to sell the Township's present refrigerator to Supervisor Kelley for \$75.00, to donate the stove donated to the hall by Joyce Sage to Habitat for Humanity in Greenville, and to sell the microwave to High Grade Materials for \$15.00. Motion carried.

Natalie Tran, part owner and manager of Greenville Nail & Spa, LLC, was present along with her attorney requesting the approval for a Class C liquor license for the property located at 1820 West Washington Street, Greenville.

After a twenty-minute discussion with them, Trustee Lower moved, with a second by Treasurer Hanson to approve a liquor license for Greenville Nail & Spa located at 1820 West Washington Street, Greenville. Ayes: 4, Darcia, Cindy, Kristen, and Brad. Nays: 3, Jeremy, Tim, and Linda. Motion carried.

Treasurer Hanson moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve the Amended Eureka Charter Township Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test Policy #0-12. Motion carried. (The policy is now worded so it will not have to be renewed each year without significant changes.)

Trustee Lower moved, with a second by Trustee Austin to approve the following banks for 2023 calendar year: Fifth Third Bank, Huntington Bank, Isabella Bank & Trust, Choice One, Preferred Federal Credit Union, Michigan One, Edgewater Banking, and MI CLASS. Motion carried.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Johnson to approve the following for the 2023 calendar year:

Monthly Board Meeting dates, time, and place: The second Monday of each month, 7:00 pm, at the Eureka Charter Township Hall, 9322 SW Greenville Road, Greenville

Maintenance: Linda Ruwersma to clean the Township Hall

FOIA Coordinator: Linda Ruwersma

Attorneys: Mika Meyers PLC; and Bloom Sluggett PC Motion carried.

Trustee Lower moved, with a second by Treasurer Hanson to approve the Proposed 2023 Fee Schedule as written with a few changes to the wages and fees. (An approved 2023 Fee Schedule will be distributed to the Board Members next month.). Ayes: 7, Darcia, Linda, Cindy, Tim, Jeremy, Kristen, and Brad. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Lower moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve the 2023 General Appropriations Act printed as follows: Estimated township general fund revenues for calendar year 2023, including an allocated millage of 0.7739; voter-authorized millage of 2.1887 mills; and other revenues shall total \$1,196,658.00. Ayes: 7, Darcia, Linda, Cindy, Tim, Jeremy, Kristen, and Brad. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Johnson moved, with a second by Trustee Lower to approve Resolution 2022-002 to Establish the Township Supervisor's Salary, the Township Treasurer's Salary, and the Township Clerk's Salary each at \$19,200.00 yearly for 2023. Ayes: 7, Darcia, Linda, Cindy, Tim, Jeremy, Kristen, and Brad. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Lower moved, with a second by Clerk Ruwersma to approve Resolution 2022-003 to Establish Township Trustee's Salary at \$160.00 per meeting when in attendance;

\$80.00 per month when not in attendance of the monthly meeting; and \$110.00 per special meeting for 2023. Ayes: 7, Darcia, Linda, Cindy, Tim, Jeremy, Kristen, and Brad. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board of Review schedule for Eureka Charter Township was distributed to the Board with the following dates for 2023: March 7 for an Organizational Meeting; March 13 and 14 for Regular Sessions; and again, on July 18 and December 12.

Treasurer Hanson moved, with a second by Trustee Lower to re-appoint Tim Johnson and Brad Kelley to the Election Committee for 2023. Motion carried.

Trustee Austin moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to re-appoint Kristen Lower as the Eureka Charter Township Board liaison to the Planning Commission for 2023. Motion carried.

The next Montcalm Townships Association Meeting/Dinner hosted by Sidney and Eureka Townships is scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at 6:00 pm, at the Eureka Charter Township Hall.

After the Audience and Board Member Comments, Supervisor Kelley adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:18 pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMMC/CMC
Eureka Charter Township Clerk
December 14, 2022