

**EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023**  
**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 March 13, 2023, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Deputy Homant stated that the following Board Members were present: Supervisor Darcia Kelley, Clerk Linda Ruwersma, Treasurer Cindy Hanson, Trustees Jeremy Austin, Kristen Lower, and Brad Kelley. Trustee Tim Johnson was absent. These minutes will not be approved until the April 10, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

Approximately eight others were in attendance including Planning Commission Member Marty Posekany and Deputy Tyler Hoskins.

During the First Public Comment, Alissa Hirkaway, 9-1-1 Deputy Director of the Montcalm County Central Dispatch, was present to explain the surcharge proposal which will be on the May 2, 2023 Ballot. Also, a resident was present with some complaints about the fire department and the condition of Lake Road where he lives.

Trustee Lower moved, with a second by Treasurer Hanson to approve the February 13, 2023 Board Minutes as written. Motion carried.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Lower to approve the Treasurer's reports showing a balance of \$987,176.15 as of February 28, 2023. Motion carried.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Austin to approve the payment of the bills paid in March in the amount of \$44,118.02 covering the payroll direct deposits, e-bills 1531-1538, and checks numbering 2432-2461. Ayes: 6, Darcia, Linda, Cindy, Jeremy, Kristen, and Brad. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The reports available were from the Planning Commission, Zoning, Sheriff, the Transit showing 152 runs, and the Fire report showing 4 incidents.

The February sheriff report showed a total of 3,113 patrol miles, with 172.5 patrol hours, 96 traffic stops, 97 property inspections, and 9 arrests. Deputy Hoskins was present to give a brief report and answer any questions from the Board.

Trustee Lower gave a brief Planning Commission report stating there was a request for a private drive to service four houses which was approved. There was some discussion about the Ride All Drive property and also about updating the zoning ordinance.

Two quotes came in for the proposed walking trail to be installed north of the Township Hall. Great Lakes Paving gave a quote of \$57,210.00 for a thickness of 2.5 inches compacted asphalt and \$52,550.00 for 2 inches thick both quotes at 9 feet wide. A-1 Asphalt Inc. gave a quote of \$74,934.00 for a 6-foot-wide path of 2.5 inches asphalt.

Trustee Kelley then moved, with a second by Clerk Ruwersma to contract with Great Lakes Paving for \$57,210.00 for a 2.5-inch x 9-foot path. Ayes: 6, Darcia, Cindy, Linda, Jeremy, Kristen, and Brad. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

There was some discussion of the Township-wide garbage pickup and Supervisor Kelley gave a brief ARPA budget review and explained the allocations for 2023.

Trustee Lower moved, with a second by Trustee Kelley to approve to contract with the Montcalm County Road Commission in 2023 for the following thirteen road projects:

1. **To place an Asphalt Overlay on Fletcher Road from River Road north to River Oaks drive (0.21 miles) for \$25,588.00**
2. **To place Asphalt Overlay on Johnson Road from South County Line Road to Dick Road (1.5 Miles) for \$150,437.00**
3. **To place Asphalt Overlay on River Road from Hebert Drive to Greenville City limits (0.94 Miles) for \$98,912.00**
4. **Gravel re-surface with limestone Fletcher Road from River Oaks Drive to Berridge Road (1.7 miles) for \$55,377.00**
5. **Gravel re-surface with limestone South County Line Road from the Flat River Bridge to Berridge Road (0.50 miles) for \$28,743.00**
6. **Rotomill and Pave Wise Road from West County Line Road to Johnson Road (0.50 miles) for Township cost of \$48,503.00**
7. **Sealcoat with fog seal on West County Line Road from Carson City Road to Wise Road (2.0 miles) for \$44,565.00**
8. **Spray Brush along roadsides for \$2,000.00**
9. **Overband Crack Seal throughout the Township for \$8,775.00**
10. **To add 10 parking spots on the shoulder of Jordan Road at the Eureka Township Hall for \$7,107.00**
11. **To place four applications of chloride on local roads in the Township based on the following: 19.62 miles @ 1,650 GPM x 4 applications x \$.175/gallon for \$22,661.10**

**Eleven contracts total \$492,668.10, minus matching dollars from County ARPA monies of \$69,348.00 for a Township total of \$423,320.10.** Ayes: 6, Darcia, Linda, Cindy, Jeremy, Kristen, and Brad. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Kelley moved, with a second by Trustee Austin to have the Saturday mail held until the next day of mail delivery so the mail is not sitting in the mailbox over the weekend. Motion carried.

There was some discussion about allowing a section of the IHOP parking lot located in the Township on West Washington Street to be annexed into the City of Greenville. Supervisor Kelley will just leave it as it is unless she is approached by the owners.

Supervisor Kelley stated that the Michigan Township Association Annual Conference will be held April 18-20, 2023, for anyone still interested in attending.

After Board Member and Audience Comments, Supervisor Kelley adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:07 pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMMC/CMC  
Eureka Charter Township Clerk  
March 14, 2023