

EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 10, 2023
Approved

Supervisor Kristen Lower, at the Eureka Charter Township Hall, 9322 SW Greenville Road, Greenville, MI, called the Regular Meeting of the Eureka Charter Township Board to order on July 10, 2023, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Deputy Clerk Deb Homant stated that there was a quorum, which included the following Board Members: Supervisor Kristen Lower, Treasurer Cindy Hanson, and Trustees Jeremy Austin, Dennis Magirl, Shayne Becher, and Tim Johnson. Clerk Linda Ruwersma was absent. Deputy Clerk Deb Homant was present to take the minutes. These minutes will not be approved until the August 14, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

Approximately seven others were in attendance including Planning Commission Members Linda Weger, Marty Posekany, and Mary Sharp, as well as Flat River Community Board Representative Jan Wheelock.

Supervisor Lower stated that the Public Hearing regarding the county-wide blight ordinance had been cancelled.

During the first Public Comment, Flat River Community Board Representative Jan Wheelock gave a brief report on the popularity of their Summer Reading Program and how they are also a free children's lunch site for the summer.

Treasurer Hanson moved, with a second by Trustee Becher to approve the June 12, 2023 Board Minutes as written. Motion carried.

Trustee Johnson moved, with a second by Trustee Magirl to approve the Treasurer's reports showing a balance of \$1,107,207.88 in the general fund as of June 30, 2023. Motion carried.

Trustee Johnson moved, with a second by Trustee Austin to approve the payment of the bills paid in the amount of \$110,201.99 covering e-bills 1566-1569 and checks numbering 2549-2577. Ayes: 6, Hanson, Johnson, Austin, Becher, Magirl, and Lower. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The reports available were from the Planning Commission, Zoning, Sheriff, the Transit showing 217 runs, and the Fire report showing 4 incidents.

Trustee Becher gave a brief Planning Commission report.

The June sheriff report showed a total of 3,072 patrol miles, with 153.5 patrol hours, 88 traffic stops, 10 traffic citations, 117 property inspections, and 7 arrests.

Supervisor Lower explained that the county has decided not to pursue a county-wide blight ordinance so there is no change necessary to the Township Blight Ordinance. She

also gave updates on the progress of the parking spaces along Jordan Road for the Hall and the completion of the pickleball courts. A recently updated security camera system and some additional high-definition cameras will help to monitor that area.

Updates on the recent MTA dinner regarding the new 9 days of early voting and the changes at the circuit court level to meet the recent Clean Slate rulings were also shared.

Treasurer Hanson gave a brief overview of this year's Township Audit.

Supervisor Lower shared the results she has received so far from the Consolidated Waste Disposal survey to gauge interest in Township wide trash service.

Zoning Official Kelley gave details on the Board of Determination Meeting she recently attended for the Greenville West Drain Extension regarding the formation of a new Drainage District. The County will now take on the liability instead of the City and Township.

Supervisor Lower brought up the possibility of replacing or refreshing the Township sign above the outdoor digital sign. Trustees were asked to take a look and share their thoughts later.

Trustees were also asked for input on a request from the Physical Education teacher from Flat River Academy to use the pickleball courts for a three-week period, either in the fall or spring from 11:30 to 2:05 daily. It was decided that it would be okay.

The next Montcalm Townships Association Meeting/Dinner hosted by Maple Valley and Pierson Townships is scheduled for Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at 6:00 pm.

After a few comments during the second public comment time, Supervisor Lower adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:38 pm.

Deb Homant
Deputy Clerk

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMMC/CMC
Eureka Charter Township Clerk
July 17, 2023