EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2026
Unapproved

Clerk Linda Ruwersma, at the Eureka Township Hall, 9322 SW Greenville Road, Greenville, MI, called the Regular Meeting of the Eureka Charter Township Board to order on Monday, November 9, 2026, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Clerk Ruwersma stated that the following Board Members were present: Treasurer Cindy Hanson and Clerk Linda Ruwersma; and Trustees Jeremy Austin, Shayne Becher, Paul Ruwersma, and Tim Johnson. Supervisor Kristen Lower was absent. These minutes will not be approved until the December 14, 2026 Regular Board Meeting.

Approximately three others were in attendance including Zoning Administrator Darcia Kelley.

With Supervisor Lower absent, Clerk Ruwersma asked the Board to select a chairperson for the meeting. Trustee Jeremy Austin agreed to chair the meeting.

Nothing was said during the first Public Comment.

Trustee Becher moved, with a second by Trustee Johnson to approve the October 12, 2026 Board Minutes as written. Motion carried.

Trustee Ruwersma moved, with a second by Trustee Becher to approve the Treasurer's report showing a balance of $1,249,641.96 as of October 31, 2026. Motion carried.

Trustee Ruwersma moved, with a second by Trustee Johnson to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of $88,264.87 covering e-bills 1903-1911 and checks numbering 3772-3811. Ayes: 6, Tim, Linda, Cindy, Shayne, Jeremy, and Paul. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The reports available were from the Sheriff and Zoning, with the Transit showing 153 runs, and the Fire report showing 5 incidents.

The October Sheriff report showed a total of 59 patrol hours, 12 traffic stops, 27 property inspections, and 1 arrest.

There was no Planning Commission Meeting in October. Zoning Administrator Kelley reported that October was another busy month with building and land divisions. She also stated that the M57 Corridor Transportation Group has changed the bylaws and the meetings will be held quarterly at the Eureka Charter Township Hall. There will be a Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting on Monday, November 30, 2026, concerning a split on Youngman Road.

The Law Enforcement Services Agreement was reviewed and will be decided on next month.

Trustee Becher moved, with a second by Trustee Ruwersma to approve the Accessory Dwelling Units Ordinance Resolution #2026-004 as presented. After approval this will be referred to as Chapter 3, Section 3.52. Ayes: 6, Tim, Linda, Cindy, Shayne, Jeremy, and Paul. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Trustee Johnson moved, with a second by Trustee Becher to approve the proposed 2027 insurance plan from EMC Insurance Hartleb Agency for a total account premium estimate of $12,034.00. Ayes: 6, Tim, Linda, Cindy, Shayne, Jeremy, and Paul. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Annual Eureka Township Christmas Party is scheduled for Tuesday, December 8, 2026, with dinner at 6:00 pm, at the Eureka Charter Township Hall. All elected and appointed members from the Township and their guests are invited.

The Proposed 2027 Fee Schedule was handed out for Trustee review. Potential changes will be discussed next month. Next month we will also discuss a yearly uniform pay increase with a policy that can be created after the first of the year.

The cemetery cleanup has been done and any figurines that were in the cemetery are behind the Township Hall for residents to pick up.

The next Montcalm Townships Association Meeting/Dinner will be held on Tuesday, December 1, 2026, at 6:00 pm. The Montcalm County Road Commission has agreed to pay for the meals of each elected Township official attending the dinner.

The 2027 Budget was distributed by the Clerk, along with the Profit and Loss sheets.

After the Audience and Board Member Comments, Trustee Austin adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:25 pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMC
Eureka Charter Township Clerk