

**EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2010**  
**Approved**

Supervisor Laura Shears, at the Eureka Township Hall, 9322 S. Greenville Road, Greenville, MI, called the Regular Meeting of the Eureka Charter Township Board to order on April 12, 2010, at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call found the following Board Members present: Supervisor Laura Shears, Clerk Linda Ruwersma, Treasurer Cindy Hanson, Trustees Rodney Roy, Marty Posekany, Elaine Pendrick, and Brian Zayler. These minutes will not be approved until the May 10, 2010 Regular Board Meeting. The meeting was audio taped.

Approximately twelve others were in attendance, including Deputy Clerk Renee Fountain, County Commissioner Tom Lindeman, Deputy Kevin Germain, Planning Commission Chair Duane Putnam, Zoning Official Tom Faussett, Planning Commission Member Mark Wilkin, Library Representative Ann Roberts, and reporter Danielle Arndt.

During First Public Comment, County Commissioner Tom Lindeman gave a brief update on County issues. Zoning Administrator Tom Faussett reported that free airplane rides will be given on Saturday, May 22, 2010, with registration beginning at 8:30am to 1:30pm at the Greenville Municipal Airport for those 8 to 17 years of age.

Mr. Roy moved, with a second by Mrs. Pendrick to approve the April 12 consent agenda. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approving the consent agenda included accepting the March 8, 2010 Board Minutes as written; accepting the Treasurer's Report submitted with an ending balance of \$459,173.07 as of March 31, 2010; and paying the bills in the amount of \$28,805.37 covering e-bills #37-43 and checks numbering 11460 through 11501.

Also in the consent agenda was the zoning report from Mr. Tom Faussett showing 93.5 hours for the month of March. The Greenville Transit report showed 281 rides and the fire report showed 4 incident reports for the month. The Flat River Library Report showed the monthly penal fines were \$39,459.39. There was no Building report available.

Deputies Doug Houser and Michael Kotenko were assigned to Eureka Township for the month of March and the sheriff report showed a total of 3,062 patrol miles, with 114.5 patrol hours, 17 traffic stops, 13 traffic citation, 40 property inspections, and 6 arrests.

Trustee Roy installed the flag pole at the Township Hall. The fire contract is still pending. Supervisor Shears will be meeting to discuss the fire contract with the City on April 15, and fire protection will continue as in the past until a new contract is signed.

Mr. Roy moved, with a second by Mr. Posekany to have the carpet cleaned at the Hall by Brad's Cleaners, Inc. for their quote of 133.83. This will be done at the end of May. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

At approximately 7:18 pm the Public Hearing concerning the Establishment of a Planning Commission with Zoning Authority was opened. After some discussion the Public Hearing was closed at 7:26 pm.

Mrs. Hanson moved, with a second by Mrs. Pendrick to approve a new ordinance #82 titled "***Eureka Charter Township Ordinance 82 to Confirm the Establishment of a Planning Commission with Zoning Authority***" as required under the Michigan Planning Enabling Act 33 of 2008. In addition the Board approved removing optional Section 12 "Capital Improvements Program" from the ordinance as the township currently does not own or operate a water supply or sewage disposal system. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mr. Posekany moved, with a second by Mr. Roy to approve a resolution for the Eureka Township Board to have the final authority for approval or rejection of the Master Plan as submitted by the Planning Commission. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The next Montcalm Townships Association Meeting/Dinner will be held at Beth Haven Baptist Church, Tuesday, April 20, 2010, at 7:00pm. This will be the annual meeting with an auction. At the March 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting, the MTA voted to raise the cost of each meal from \$9.50 to \$10.00.

Mr. Roy moved, with a second by Mrs. Hanson to contract with the Road Commission for Montcalm County the following roads:

1. to place a 250# bituminous approach on Jenks Road west of M91 (100 feet long x 22 feet wide) for the cost of \$5,507.00;
  2. to place a 165# bituminous overlay on Palmer Road north of Baker Road (0.35 mile long x 20 feet wide) for the cost of \$27,537.00;
  3. to gravel resurface Stakes Road at Baldwin Road intersection for the cost of \$1,882.00;
  4. to place a 165# bituminous mat on Johnson Road from Wise Road south (0.34 mile long x 26 feet wide) for the cost of \$33,438.00; for a combined total of \$68,364.00.
- Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mr. Posekany moved, with a second by Mr. Zayler to approve to set a Public Hearing concerning the amendment of Ordinance #25 Fire Prevention and Suppression, Police Protection, and Emergency Services, for Monday, May 10, 2010, at 7:00pm. Motion carried.

Mrs. Ruwersma moved, with a second by Mrs. Hanson to approve the following language to be placed on the August 3, 2010 Primary Ballot concerning Police Protection after attorney approval: *Shall the Charter Township of Eureka renew a levy up to one (1) mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) in the years 2010 through 2013, inclusive for*

*additional police protection in Eureka Township; approving a renewed one (1) full mill, over-riding the Headlee Rollback under Michigan Compiled Law 211.34d, will collect in the year 2010 an estimated renewal total of \$133,095? Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.*

Mrs. Pendrick moved, with a second by Mr. Roy to approve the following language to be placed on the August 3, 2010 Primary Ballot concerning Fire Protection after attorney approval: *Shall the Charter Township of Eureka levy up to three-quarter (.75) mill (\$.75 per \$1,000 of taxable value; example-a property with a taxable value of \$50,000 would be taxed \$37.50 annually for the millage) in the years 2010 through 2013, to “provide fire protection services” in Eureka Township, over-riding the Headlee Rollback under Michigan Compiled Law 211.34d, will collect in the year 2010 an estimated total of \$95,512.00? Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.*

Mrs. Pendrick moved, with a second by Mr. Roy to approve a motion to grant the division of the following described real property between Joel M. Cadwell and Jennifer A. Cadwell; and Carolyn S. Cadwell Trust:  
*Lots 2, 3, and 4, Burgess Woods, Part of the East ½ of Section 19 and Part of the Southwest ¼, Section 20, Town 9 North, Range 8 West, Eureka Township, Montcalm County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 9 of Plats, Page 29*  
into two parcels consisting of *Lot 2 and the west 1/2 of Lot 3, and the East ½ of Lot 3 and Lot 4,* subsequent to the conditions in the agreement for a restrictive covenant as approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

During Board Member Comments, Clerk Ruwersma let the Board know about the grant from the State for Electronic Poll Books for the Elections. Eureka Township will be receiving two laptops to be used in each precinct during the elections. Trustee Pendrick is still checking into leaf clippings pick up for the Township.

During the Second Public Comment, Ann Roberts mentioned that if we really want the proposals passed for fire and police protection the residents need to get out and let others know how important it is for the future of Eureka Township.

Supervisor Shears adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:23pm.

Linda J. Ruwersma, CMC  
Eureka Charter Township Clerk  
April 19, 2010

