

TOWNSHIP BOARD

ERIE TOWNSHIP
Erie, Michigan

Regular Meeting
May 12, 2009

Supervisor William Frey at the Township Office, 2065 Erie Road, Erie, MI, called the Regular Meeting May 12, 2009, of the Erie Township Board to order at 7:00 PM. The roll was called and Pledge of Allegiance said.

**CALL TO ORDER-
ROLL CALL-PLEDGE
OF ALLEGIANCE**

Bill Frey, Supervisor	Present
Cindy Baum, Treasurer	Present
Jolene Upchurch, Clerk	Present
David Cousino, Trustee	Present
Michael Grodi, Trustee	Present

Baum moved, supported by Grodi to accept and place on file items #1-5 of the consent agenda. Motion carried, all in favor.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upchurch moved, supported by Baum to approve and place on file correspondence items #1-6. Trustee Cousino requested that one of the Township Board members be sure to attend the meetings being held to amend the Monroe County Solid Waste Management Plan (# 2 of correspondence). Motion carried, all in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE

Upchurch added to the Agenda #21 -Victory Fireworks permit and #23- SEMCA. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Summer youth Employment Program.

**AGENDA
AMENDMENT**

Grodi moved, supported by Baum to accept the bid from Danny Taylor for a 1 year contract for Cutting of Noxious Weeds. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

**CUTTING OF
NOXIOUS WEEDS
BIDS**

The Policy on Pamphlets was approved with the changes, as per the April 7, 2009 Township Board meeting.

PAMPHLET POLICY

Grodi moved, supported by Baum to approve the Seasonal use permit for food, drinks and entertainment for a period of one year for the Frog Leg Inn. Motion carried all in favor.

**ZONING PERMIT
APPLICATION FOR
FROG LEG INN
SEASONAL
OUTDOOR USE**

Cousino moved, supported by Grodi to approve the contract with Monroe County Road Commission for repairs of Erie Rd. over Bay creek in the amount of \$19,294.00. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Majority in favor. Frey- yes, Grodi- yes, Cousino-yes and Upchurch- yes. Baum- no.

**ERIE ROAD BRIDGE
OVER BAY CREEK**

Baum moved, supported by Upchurch to regretfully accept Curtis Gordy's resignation to the ZBA. Chris Cousino will be appointed to fill the position at the recommendation from Mr. Gordy for a replacement. Motion carried, all in favor.

**CURTIS GORDY
RESIGNATION
FROM ZBA**

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Baum moved, supported by Cousino to approve the Employment Agreement with Assessor, Dan Smith with the suggested amendments. Motion carried, on a roll call vote, Majority in favor. Grodi -yes, Baum- yes, Cousino -yes, Upchurch -yes. Frey- no.

**EMPLOYMENT
AGREEMENT
ASSESSOR**

Upchurch moved, supported by Baum to approve the Building Inspectors Employment Agreement with the suggested amendments. Motion carried, on a roll call vote. All in favor.

**EMPLOYMENT
AGREEMENT
BUILDING
INSPECTOR**

Cousino moved, supported by Grodi to table the Employment Agreement for the Chief of Police until the next Board Meeting. Two of the three Officials of the personnel committee will meet with Chief Hines, to go over the Employment agreement. Motion carried all in favor.

**EMPLOYMENT
AGREEMENT CHIEF
OF POLICE**

Cousino moved, supported by Upchurch to review the contract with Cindy Cousino for Janitorial Services for a period of one year. Mrs. Cousino will bring a bid to the Township and it will be brought back to the Board at the next meeting. Motion carried, all in favor

**CONTRACT FOR
JANITORIAL
SERVICES**

Cousino moved, supported by Baum to terminate the contract with Police Attorney Jeff Osment. Motion carried, all in favor.

**PROSECUTING
AGREEMENT WITH
JEFF OSMENT**

Grodi moved, supported by Cousino to approve the membership into TMACOG and SEMCOG for one year. Motion carried, on a roll call vote. All in favor.

**MEMBERSHIPS IN
TMACOG AND
SEMCOG**

Cousino moved, supported by Baum to declare May Motorcycle Awareness Month. Motion carried, all in favor.

**MAY-MOTORCYCLE
AWARENESS
MONTH**

Cousino moved, supported by Baum to adopt the revised Erie Township Meetings and Commissions Fee Schedule. It had not been updated for a few years. Motion carried all in favor.

**ERIE TOWNSHIP
MEETINGS AND
COMMISSIONS FEE
SCHEDULE**

Cousino moved, supported by Upchurch to approve the Chloride Contract with Monroe County Road Commission. The cost of the Chloride contract is \$17,413.44. The Streeter contract was not approved because Streeter is a private road. Motion carried on a roll call vote. All in favor.

**MONROE COUNTY
ROAD COMMISSION
CONTRACTS**

Grodi moved, supported by Baum to accept the bid from Monroe Glass in the amount of \$4,132.00 for the Handicap Operators for the Township Hall's main entrance doors. Building Inspector Mike Demski will arrange for an electrician for the project. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all in favor.

**HANDICAP
OPERATORS FOR
MAIN ENTRANCE
DOORS**

Baum moved, supported by Cousino to adopt the resolution to close Manhattan between Summit Street and Dixie from Elm to the West side of St. Joseph Church for their annual church festival. Motion carried, all in favor.

**St. JOSEPH
CHURCH FESTIVAL
ROAD CLOSURE
RESOLUTION**

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Cousino moved, supported by Grodi to table participation in the Monroe County Conservation District, until the next Township Board meeting. All in favor motion carried.	MONROE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT PARTICIPATION
Cousino moved, supported by Grodi to table the purchase for a defibrillator for the Township, until the next Township Board meeting. All in favor, motion carried.	DEFIBRILLATOR FOR TOWNSHIP HALL
Cousino moved, supported by Baum to have the Planning commission along with Mike Demski take a look at the legal non-conforming properties in Erie Township. Trustee Cousino also stated that the Planning Commission is continuing to look at the Noise Ordinance. Motion carried, all in favor.	LEGAL NON- CONFORMING USES-PLANNING COMMISSION
Supervisor Frey called for a Budget Meeting to be held on Monday, May 18, 2009 @ 3:30p.m. In the Township Board Room.	BUDGET WORK SHOP
Upchurch moved, supported by Baum to approve the application for Dan Floyd to the Erie Fire Department with a two (2) year probationary period. Motion carried, all in favor.	DAN FLOYD APPLICATION TO ERIE FIRE DEPT.
Upchurch moved, supported by Baum to deny the request form Debora Hass to dismiss charges for cost recovery. The clerk will send her a letter suggesting that she submit the bill to her insurance company for payment. Motion carried, all in favor.	DEBORA HASS COST RECOVERY BILL
Baum moved, supported by Cousino to approve the fireworks permits for Flash and Thunder, Cicerella's and Victory Fireworks. Motion carried, all in favor.	FIREWORKS PERMITS
Upchurch moved, supported by Baum to meet with the Monroe County Road Commission for Budget Planning on Monday, July 13, 2009 from 10:00 – 12:00 with an alternate date of Tuesday, July 14, 2009 from 10:00 – 12:00. Motion carried, all in favor.	MONROE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION MEETING DATES
Baum moved, supported by Cousino to participate in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Summer Youth Employment Program. If this program costs any money we will not join. Motion carried, all in favor.	SEMCA PROGRAM
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Garry Kinsey wanted to know if we could look into a new sound system for the Township Board room and what are we doing about handling blight. Mike Demski stated as the complaint forms come in he deals with them appropriately.	PUBLIC COMMENTS
Baum moved, supported by Upchurch to approve checks #21854-21959 totaling \$345,162.59. With the exception of check number 21950 in the amount of \$977.22, waiting for an explanation from Chief Hines as to what this was for. Trust and Agency checks #899-904 totaling \$7,863.30. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all in favor.	BILLS APPROVAL
Cousino moved, supported by Upchurch to adjourn the meeting @ 8:50p.m.	ADJOURNMENT

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Motion carried all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted

Jolene Upchurch
Erie Township Clerk

Diane LaPlante
Recording Secretary