

**TOWNSHIP BOARD**

ERIE TOWNSHIP  
Erie, Michigan

Regular Meeting  
April 7, 2009

Supervisor William Frey at the Township Office, 2065 Erie Road, Erie, MI, called the Regular Meeting April 7, 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**

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

Also present was Attorney Phil Goldsmith.

Baum moved, supported by Cousino to accept and place on file the consent agenda. Motion carried, all in favor.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Upchurch moved, supported by Baum to approve and place on file correspondence items 1 & 2. Motion carried, all in favor.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Upchurch added number 10-SEMCOG Membership to agenda items.

**AGENDA  
AMENDMENT**

Baum moved, supported by Upchurch to allow the Police Dept. officers to withdraw from the Erie Township Pension Plan according to the Resolution permitting the Erie Township Police officers to waive the right to participate. Effective immediately. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Grodi-no, Cousino-no, Baum-yes, Upchurch-yes, Frey-yes  
Clerk Upchurch stated that the Police Dept. officers unanimously opted out of the Township Pension Plan.

**ERIE POLICE DEPT  
PENSION PLAN**

Baum moved, supported by Upchurch to approve and adopt the Policy regarding the use of Township maintained and or owned property for the purpose of exercising the right to free speech, expression, and or assembly, with correction to article # 9 wording change amendment (page 6) sale, solicitation with non-profit organizations would be allowed and wording made clear. Add 8 1/2" by 11" in size entered on (page 6). Enter Monroe Evening News on (page 7). Motion carried, all in favor

**PAMPHLET POLICY**

Cousino moved, supported by Upchurch to authorize Chief Hines to submit Federal Grant application for three (3) police officers with the understanding the Township can accept it or amend it to one (1) or two (2) officers and the option to not take the grant money if the budget does not have funds available. Motion carried, all in favor.

**POLICE FEDERAL  
GRANT  
APPLICATION**

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Grodi moved, supported by Upchurch to accept the lawn mowing bid from Cousino's Lawn Service for 2009 season. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Baum-yes, Cousino-abstained, Grodi-yes, Frey-yes, Upchurch- yes  
Park Commission representative Ken Ballentine recommended Cousino's lawn service for the contract.

**LAWN MOWING  
CONTRACT**

Cousino moved, supported by Baum to approve and place on file the Employment Agreements and direct two of the three Personal Committee members to meet with the dept. heads to discuss and report back to the Board at the next meeting. Motion carried, all in favor.

**EMPLOYMENT  
AGREEMENTS/DEPT.  
HEADS**

Free Dump Day will be May 2, 2009 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at four locations:

1. Telegraph & M-151
2. Headlights Tavern-South Dixie Hwy
3. Erie Township Hall
4. Morin Point Fire Station- Summit St.

**FREE DUMP DAY**

Baum moved, supported by Cousino not to renew the membership to the Monroe County Chamber of Commerce for 2009. Motion carried all in favor.

**CHAMBER OF  
COMMERCE  
MEMBERSHIP**

Upchurch moved, supported by Baum to approve the request from the Library to purchase a baby changing table for the Ladies restroom for \$125.00. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

**LIBRARY BABY  
CHANGING TABLE**

Grodi moved, supported by Cousino to table SEMCOG membership until clarification of fees can be made, also to check into the TMACOG fees. Motion carried, all in favor

**SEMCOG  
MEMBERSHIP**

- Gary Kinsey stated he was concerned over heavy trucks on Candace Rd. The trucks are for the Sterns bridge repair and they will destroy the tar and chip on the road.
- Questions were asked regarding the stimulus package. Supervisor Frey stated, he did not apply because the Township does not have shovel ready projects and that engineering plans must be in place. Planning Commissioner Bill Jacobs asked about Lost Peninsula water, Rauch Rd. and other projects that are shovel ready.
- Police Chief Hines stated that on April 18, 2008 the police will sponsor a Child Identification Day from 12:00p.m. to 5:00p.m. at the Township Hall.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Baum moved, supported by Upchurch to approve the General fund checks #21827-21881 in the amount of \$48,054.96, and Trust and Agency checks #892-898 in the amount of \$18,683.18. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

**BILLS APPROVAL**

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Upchurch moved, supported by Baum to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no objections the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jolene Upchurch  
Erie Township Clerk

Gayle Burlen  
Recording Secretary