

## **TOWNSHIP BOARD**

ERIE TOWNSHIP  
Erie, Michigan

Regular Meeting  
And Public Hearing  
August 11, 2009

Supervisor William Frey at the Township Office, 2065 Erie Road, Erie, MI, called the Regular Meeting and Public Hearing August 11, 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 Upchurch to accept and place on file items #1-6 of the consent agenda. Supervisor Frey questioned the Comparison sheet of the Treasurer's report. Treasurer Baum stated, the tables are correct, but the fund 206 was not listed and she would print a new sheet with the corrections. Motion carried, all in favor.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Upchurch moved, supported by Baum to approve and place on file correspondence items #1-7 Motion carried, all in favor. Lola Santure requested that the letter from Phil Goldsmith to Ms. Whipple –FOIA request be read. Deputy Clerk, Diane LaPlante read the letter from Attorney Phil Goldsmith to Ms. Whipple re-FOIA.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- Amy Whipple questioned the costs incurred for her Freedom Of Information request, also the retention schedule.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Supervisor Frey stated we can not make a profit on FOIA requests.

Trustee Grodi stated that \$.20 per copy is not out of line

Baum moved supported by Upchurch to stay status quo with Tony Konopka as acting Police Chief for an additional 60 days and address the issue at the October 2009 Township Board meeting. Motion carried majority in favor.

**CHIEF OF POLICE  
POSITION**

Cousino moved, supported by Baum to have acting Police Chief Tony Konopka price Crown Victoria's, including lease of equipment from Herkimer Radio, not to exceed \$30,000.00 and present the information at the September 2009 Township Board meeting Motion carried, all in favor

**POLICE CARS**

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Cousino moved supported by Baum to direct the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Prosecuting Agreement with Lennard, Graham and Goldsmith as presented. Motion carried, majority in favor.

**PROSECUTING  
AGREEMENT FOR  
POLICE DEPT**

Baum moved, supported by Grodi to close the regular meeting at 7:46p.m. Motion carried all in favor.

**CLOSE REGULAR  
MEETING**

Supervisor Frey opened the Public Hearing at 7:47 P.M., for setting aside mowing requirements for Joe Robison of 9500 Baycreek. All board members present.

**OPEN PUBLIC  
HEARING  
JOE ROBISON  
9500 BAYCREEK**

Grodi moved, supported by Upchurch to waive the mowing requirements for 9500 Baycreek per the recommendation from Mike Demski, Building and Zoning official with the understanding Mr. Robison will cut the noxious weeds. Motion carried all in favor.

**SET ASIDE MOWING  
REQUIREMENTS**

Joe Robison explained the (CRP) Conservation Reserve Program that he is involved in. He is currently enrolled for 10 years and can sign on for an additional 5 years.

Grodi moved, supported by Cousino to adjourn the public hearing at 7:50P.M. Motion carried all in favor.

**ADJOURN PUBLIC  
HEARING**

Supervisor Frey opened the Public Hearing at 7:56 P.M. for Joe Robison 9500 Baycreek-Pond. All Board members present.

**OPEN PUBLIC  
HEARING  
9500 BAYCREEK**

Grodi moved, supported by Cousino to accept the plans as submitted for the CRP Conservation Reserve Program-Wetland Restoration for Joe Robison 9500 Baycreek with the required \$1,500.00 bond. The bond will be returned to Mr. Robison when the project is complete pursuant to the plans that Joe Robison submitted with the understanding our Building/Zoning Official Mike Demski and CRP's engineer will do the inspections. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all in favor.

**JOE ROBISON  
POND**

Joe Robison did a presentation on the pond including a hand out detailing (CRP) Conservation Reserve Program- Wetland Restoration Program.

Grodi moved, supported by Baum to close the public hearing at 8:00 P.M. Motion carried, all in favor.

**ADJOURN PUBLIC  
HEARING**

Supervisor Frey opened the Public Hearing at 8:50 P.M. for Roger Nichols 850 Lotus. All Board members are present.

**OPEN PUBLIC  
HEARING  
850 LOTUS**

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Grodi moved, supported by Cousino to cancel the Dangerous Building order per the recommendation of Mike Demski the Building Official and Bill Jacobs the Dangerous Building Official. Motion carried, all in favor.

**850 LOTUS  
DANGEROUS  
BUILDING**

Clerk Upchurch stated that all issues with this property have been resolved according to Mike Demski the Building Official and Dangerous Building Official-Bill Jacobs. Mr. Nichols is to keep up with the repairs and to take care of the blight issues.

Grodi moved, supported by Baum to close the public hearing at 8:05 P.M  
Motion carried, all in favor.

**ADJOURN PUBLIC  
HEARING**

Supervisor Frey re-opened the regular meeting at 8:08 P.M. All Board members are present.

**RE-OPEN REGULAR  
MEETING**

No public comments at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Baum moved, supported by Cousino to approve checks #22168-22261 in the amount of \$319,073.05, with the additional checks #22262-22269 in the amount of \$62,304.98 for a grand total of \$381,378.03. No Trust and agency checks. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all in favor.

**BILLS APPROVAL**

Upchurch moved, supported by Cousino to adjourn the meeting @ 8:10p.m.  
Motion carried, all in favor.

**ADJOURN**

Respectfully Submitted

Jolene Upchurch  
Erie Township Clerk

Diane LaPlante  
Recording Secretary

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