

**Erie Township Board
Regular Meeting
Erie, Michigan**

January 9, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Erie Township Board was held Tuesday January 9, 2024, at the Erie Township Hall, 2065 Erie Rd. Erie, Michigan. Township Supervisor Michael Grodi called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The roll was called, and the Pledge of Allegiance recited. Prayer provided by Danny Taylor.

Michael Grodi, Supervisor –Present
Cindy Wisbon, Treasurer- Present
Kimberly Cousino, Clerk- Present
Steve Mishka, Trustee – Present
Paul Perry, Trustee – Present

B. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1) Minutes approval from December 12, 2023 Regular Meeting
- 2) Building Report; December 2023
- 3) Treasurer’s Report, December 2023
- 4) Revenue and Expense Report, December 2023
- 5) Erie Police Report; December 2023
- 6) Fire Departments Reports

C. Wisbon moved, supported by P. Perry to approve items 1 – 6 waiving the reading.
Motion Carried.

C. CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1) Michigan Department of Treasury
- 2) Charter Communications
- 3) Monroe County Federal Aid Committee
- 4) Matt Snell, Monroe County Road Commission

K. Cousino moved, supported by C. Wisbon to approve and place on file correspondence items 1-4. Motion carried.

K. Cousino moved, supported by P. Perry to amend the agenda adding Monroe County Road Commission sign shop costs for 'NO engine brake' signs on Luna Pier Rd. and to remove item #13 – Morin Point ambulance. Motion carried.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Diane LaPlante thanked the Erie Township Police Department and recognized them on this law enforcement appreciation day.

E. BUSINESS:

1) Bills Approval:

C. Wisbon moved, supported by K. Cousino to approve checks #36889 - #36946 from the general fund including payroll and ACH & EFT in the amount of \$168,888.24. Checks #1714 - #1721 from the Trust and Agency account in the amount of \$2,392.00. Roll was called. C. Wisbon – yes, P. Perry – yes, M. Grodi – yes, S. Mishka – yes, K. Cousino – yes. Motion Carried.

2) Budget Amendments:

P. Perry moved, supported by C. Wisbon to approve the budget amendments as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all in favor.

3) Quote to Paint Interior of Township Hall from Chris Schoonmaker:

K. Cousino moved, supported by P. Perry to approve the quote from Chris Schoonmaker to paint the interior of the Township Hall in the amount of \$9,600. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all in favor.

4) Poverty Exemption Resolution:

C. Wisbon moved, supported by S. Mishka to approve the poverty exemption resolution as presented, waiving the reading. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all in favor.

5) Erie Fire Department Officers:

P. Perry moved, supported by S. Mishka to accept the Erie Fire Department Officers as presented. Motion carried.

6) MCRC Dust Control Contract for Streeter:

P. Perry moved, supported by C. Wisbon to accept the dust control contract with Monroe County Road Commission for Streeter St. as presented. Motion carried.

7) MCRC Dust Control Contract for Various Local Roads:

K. Cousino moved, supported by C. Wisbon to accept the dust control contract with Monroe County Road Commission for various local roads as presented. Motion carried.

8) MCRC Roadside Mowing Contract for Various Local Roads:

P. Perry moved, supported by C. Wisbon to accept the roadside mowing contract with Monroe County Road Commission for various local roads as presented. Motion carried.

9) MCRC Road Improvement Estimates:

C. Wisbon moved, supported by P. Perry to approve the road improvements as presented by Monroe County Road Commission for Garden Court in the amount of \$5,975; Grodi Rd. in the amount of \$7,552; Marquette Center in the amount of \$3,877; West Dean in the amount of \$7,599. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all in favor.

10) Terry Goad Resignation from Morin Point Fire Department:

K. Cousino moved, supported by P. Perry to accept with regrets the resignation of Terry Goad from the Morin Point Fire Department and recognize and thank him for 26 years of service. Motion carried.

11) Digital Sign

S. Mishka moved, supported by C. Wisbon to approve the purchase of an LED digital sign from Graphic Signs in the amount of \$33,400; the purchase will be funded with ARPA funds. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all in favor.

12) Competitive Bidding Policy

C. Wisbon moved, supported by P. Perry to approve the resolution establishing the competitive bidding policy, increasing the estimated minimum bid to \$20,000. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all in favor.

13) MCRC Sign Shop Cost for ‘No Engine Brake’ Signs on Luna Pier Rd.:

K. Cousino moved, supported by S. Mishka to approve the purchase of ‘no engine brake’ signs from the Monroe County Road Commission, to be installed between Dixie Hwy. and I-75. Motion carried on a roll call vote, all in favor.

F. PUBLIC & BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Kelli Tuller, Mason Consolidated Schools Superintendent, announced there is a vacancy on the school board, they will be accepting candidates until January 17, 2024.

Representative William Bruck announced the house will be back in session on Wednesday, January 10, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT:

K. Cousino moved, supported by C. Wisbon to adjourn at 7:32 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Kimberly Cousino
Clerk