

**Erie Township Board**  
**Special Meeting & Public Hearing**  
**Erie, Michigan**

January 7, 2025

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The special meeting of the Erie Township Board was held Tuesday, January 7, 2025 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.

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

**B. NEW BUSINESS:**

**1) Contract with Monroe County Road Commission for tree removal and stump removal on Erie Rd.:**

S. Mishka moved supported by M. Evola to approve the contract with Monroe County Road Commission for tree removal and stump removal on Erie Rd. in the amount of \$4,300. Roll Called; C. Wisbon – yes, M. Evola – yes, M. Grodi – yes, S. Mishka – yes, K. Cousino – yes. Motion carried.

**2) Public Hearing for 9796 Dixie Hwy. and 2029-2037 Manhattan St.:**

C. Wisbon moved supported by S. Mishka to close the regular meeting and open the public hearing for 9796 Dixie Hwy. and 2029-2037 Manhattan St. at 7:02 p.m. Motion carried.

**9796 Dixie Hwy:**

Charlie Reau - 1633 Dean Rd. – spoke in regards to a purchase agreement and funding for the purchases.

Terry Morrin – 6918 Dixie Hwy. – stated at the December 10 regular meeting the people were against the purchases.

Sandy Dobbs – 9845 Lorden – stated that public funds should not be used to buy commercial property, other alternatives should be sought to assist current businesses, and mentioned existing buildings that are and have been vacant.

Jennifer Augustyniak – stated she is in attendance to learn why the township is interested in the properties.

### **2029 & 2037 Manhattan**

Sandy Dobbs – 9845 Lorden – spoke to the high cost of maintenance and upkeep of the older buildings, shared concerns about revenue loss when the landfill closes.

Sharon Grodi – 2060 Matty Dr – stated she is the treasurer of the Presbytery church, they are closing because their membership has declined, the utility bills and utility costs are not astronomical, they have been keeping up with maintenance, the current renter in the manse building is a great renter.

Rena Bowman – Lorden Dr – shared concerns about who will be taking on the burden of the costs for the buildings when funds run out.

C. Wisbon moved supported by S. Mishka to close the public hearing at 7:16 p.m.  
Motion carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

S. Mishka moved, supported by C. Wisbon to adjourn at 7:16 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

**Kimberly Cousino, Clerk**