

EAST CHINA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS (TELEPHONIC PUBLIC MEETING)

JANUARY 4, 2021

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Supervisor Brian Rausch.

ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Brian Rausch, Clerk Martin Good, Treasurer Nicole Hart,
Trustee's Allen Reichle, Deborah Babel, Herbert Blackstock, Ralph Knotts. Absent: none

Others present: Township Manager Cynthia Paparelli and St. Clair County Sheriff

APPROVE AGENDA – Motion by Trustee Blackstock supported by Treasurer Hart to approve the tentative agenda. Motion Carried

APPROVE MINUTES – Motion by Trustee Knotts by supported by Trustee Babel moved to approve the minutes of December 16, 2020 as presented. Motion Carried

PRESENTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS: St. Clair County UnderSheriff Matt Paulus was present “virtual” and reviewed with the BOT the 4th quarter activity report. Along with that UnderSherriff Paulus wanted to share with the board an update on a critical car crash back on January 27, 2020. The crash team did a heavily investigation and the determination was that the driver that was killed was at fault. Officer Paulus shared the changes happening with the ~~SSCSD~~ SCCSD the newly elected St. Clair County Sheriff Matt King ~~along with the~~ Paulus transition of as the new Undersheriff ~~assigned~~ and introduced Deputy Captain Jim Stadafore

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

CONSENT AGENDA – Motion by Treasurer Hart supported by Trustee Babel to receive the consent items as follows: Financial Report none, St. Clair County Sheriff 4th Quarter Report and St. Clair River Sewer/Water Authority December 2020 minutes.

DISBURSEMENTS – Motion by Trustee Babel supported by Trustee Knotts moved to approve payables as follows: Invoices \$117,085.09, Accounts Payable \$589,125.69, Payroll \$70,681.75, EFT \$23,202.12, Tax account \$114,109.18 total \$914,203.83. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Hart, Blackstock, Babel, Knotts, Reichle, Good, Rausch Nayes: None. Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS – Appointment of James Foucher to the Park Commission for the remainder of the term. Motion by Trustee Blackstock, supported by Trustee Babel. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS-none

ANNOUNCEMENTS- Supervisor Rausch shared with the BOT vandalism in the East China Park over the holidays with only minor damage. A report was made to the St. Clair County Sheriff department. Rausch also mentioned that there are open positions on The Cemetery Board that needs to be filled.

MEMBER COMMENTS

Trustee Babel shared with the board her interest in the Cemetery Board.

Treasurer Hart would like to follow-up on the discussion regarding board members compensations.

Clerk, Good concurred with Treasurer Hart. And added that the township should look into adding part-time personal to the office as currently the staff is stretched rather thin. When the office is re-opened to the public it will only increase if someone is absent for whatever reasons.

ADJOURN Motion by Trustee Knotts, supported by Trustee Blackstock to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. Motion Carried.

Brian Rausch, Supervisor

Martin Good, Clerk