

EAST CHINA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS (TELEPHONIC PUBLIC MEETING)

FEBRUARY 1, 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

APPROVE AGENDA – Motion by Clerk Good supported by Trustee Knotts moved to accept agenda as presented. Motion Carried

APPROVE MINUTES – Motion by Trustee Knotts supported by Trustee Babel moved to accept the minutes of January 18, 2021 as presented. Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

CONSENT AGENDA – Motion by Trustee Babel, supported by Treasurer Hart to accept the Consent items as presented. Motion Carried.

DISBURSEMENTS – Motion by Treasurer Hart, supported by Trustee Babel moved to approve the disbursements as follows: Bills (invoices) \$25,039.82, Accounts Payable \$118,389.35 (35916-359580, Payroll \$28,865.53 (DD6405-DD6422), EFT \$10,435.19 (EFT-531), Tax Account \$53,379.59 (3702-3704) with the total of \$236,109.48. Roll Call- Ayes: Unanimous Nays: None. Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion by Clerk Good, supported by Trustee Blackstock to affirm Supervisor Rausch appointment of John Jolly to the East China Township Planning Commission to fulfill a partial term due to the resignation of Mr. Gary Love with the term ending on 12/31/2023. Motion Carried
2. Resolution 02-2021 Agreement for Tax Administration Fee and Penalty Fee
The following resolution was offered by Trustee Knotts and supported by Treasurer Hart Resolution 02-2021 read by Trustee Knotts. Roll Call- Ayes: Unanimous Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**RESOLUTION 02- 2021
AGREEMENT FOR TAX ADMIN FEE &
PENALTY FEES ON WINTER PROPERTY TAXES**

East China Charter Township
County of St. Clair, Michigan

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of East China Charter Township, County of St. Clair, Michigan, held virtually due to the MDHHS Pandemic Order, on the **1st day of February 2021** at 7:30pm.

PRESENT: Supervisor Brian Rausch, Clerk Martin Good, Treasurer Nicole Hart, Trustee's Allen Reichle, Deborah Babel, Herbert Blackstock, Ralph Knotts.

ABSENT: None

The following Resolution was offered by Trustee Ralph Knotts and supported by Treasurer Nicole Hart

WHEREAS, the Township Board of East China Township directs the Township Treasurer to waive the 1% property tax administration fee for the 2020 Winter ad valorem taxes paid after February 16, 2021 and before March 1, 2021, as authorized under Act No. 88, Public Acts of 1983 and Section 44 of Act No. 206 of Public Acts of 1893, as amended by Act No. 503 of Public Acts of 1982, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Treasurer will collect a late penalty tax equal to 3% of such tax on all 2020 Winter ad valorem taxes paid after February 16, 2021 and before March 1, 2021.

All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

AYES: Reichle, Hart, Babel, Knotts, Blackstock, Good, Rausch

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Martin Good, Clerk
East China Charter Township

3. Resolution 02-2021 Agreement for 2021 Collection of Summer Property Taxes between RESA and East China Charter Township
The following resolution was offered by Treasurer Hart and supported by Trustee Babel
Resolution 03-2021 read by Treasurer Hart. Roll Call- Ayes: Unanimous Nays: None.
Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 03-2021
AGREEMENT FOR 2021 COLLECTION OF SUMMER PROPERTY TAXES
BETWEEN RESA AND EAST CHINA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

East China Charter Township
County of St. Clair, Michigan

Minutes of a regular meeting held by the Township Board of East China Charter Township, County of St. Clair, Michigan, held virtually due to the MDHHS Pandemic Order, on the **1st day of February, 2021** at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: PRESENT: Supervisor Brian Rausch, Clerk Martin Good, Treasurer Nicole Hart, Trustee's Allen Reichle, Deborah Babel, Herbert Blackstock, Ralph Knotts.

ABSENT: None

The following Resolution was offered by Treasurer Nicole Hart and supported by Trustee Deborah Babel.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of St. Clair County Regional Educational Service Agency has invoked for 2021 its previously adopted ongoing resolution imposing a summer tax levy of all (100%) of annual school property taxes including debt service, upon all property located within the District; and

WHEREAS, the East China Charter Township officials have negotiated a one-year agreement, renewable annually, with the St. Clair County Regional Educational Service Agency to collect said property taxes and deliver these tax collections semi-monthly with the interest generated thereon retained by the Township; and

WHEREAS, the negotiated agreement stipulates the School District shall also pay the Township all reasonable expenses normally incurred for the collection of such school taxes which shall be in the amount of \$2.00 per parcel,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees does hereby approve the summer school tax collection agreement for 2021, renewable annually, negotiated between East China Charter Township and the St. Clair County Regional Educational Service Agency and authorizes the Township Supervisor to sign said agreement.

AYES: Reichle, Hart, Babel, Knotts, Blackstock, Good, Rausch

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

Martin Good, Clerk
East China Charter Township

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

MEMBER COMMENTS: Trustee Babel related that the Historical Commission meeting had been cancelled because of Covid-19 restrictions and the meeting would resume with the March meetings to be held in the School House.

ADJOURN – Motion by Trustee Knotts supported by Trustee Babel to adjourn at 7:45 PM.
Motion Carried

Brian Rausch, Supervisor

Martin Good, Clerk