

EAST CHINA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

NOVEMBER 1, 2021

CALL TO ORDER – Supervisor Rausch called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m., with Clerk Mattei, Treasurer Hart, and Trustees Babel, Blackstock, Knotts and Reichle.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVE AGENDA – Trustee Reichle, supported by Trustee Babel, moved to approve the Agenda. Carried.

MINUTES – Trustee Blackstock, supported by Trustee Babel, moved to approve the Minutes of October 18, 2021. Carried.

SET PUBLIC HEARING – Trustee Knotts, supported by Treasurer Hart, moved to reschedule the 2022 Budget Hearing to November 15, 2021. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – St. Clair County Sheriff Matt King was present to review changes and improvements at the Sheriff Department.

Jon Johnson was present to review the Township's General Liability Policy Renewal.

CONSENT AGENDA – Clerk Mattei, supported by Trustee Blackstock, moved to accept the Consent Agenda item as follows: October 2021 Building Department Report. Carried.

DISBURSEMENTS – Treasurer Hart, supported by Trustee Babel, moved to approve Invoices \$28,261.12, Payroll Direct Deposits \$32,315.72, Accounts Payable \$130,872.43, EFT's \$54,308.84 E-checks \$302.30, and Tax account \$12,292.67. Roll call vote: Yea: Hart, Babel, Blackstock, Reichle, Mattei, Knotts and Rausch. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

OB 1 – Supervisor Rausch offered the first reading of Ordinance 323.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 480, ACCESSORY BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES, SECTIONS 480-61 F1 AND H2, 480-53 K, 480-67 E AND F.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF EAST CHINA ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Ordinance is to amend the Code of Ordinances, to expand the allowable sizes and setbacks for Accessory Buildings and Structures.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENTS

Section 480-61-F(1), is hereby deleted and replaced with:

480-61 Accessory Buildings and Structures.

F. Detached accessory buildings, including detached private garages.

(1) The floor area of each detached accessory building shall not exceed the following:

Zoning Lot Size (square feet)	Accessory Buildings (square feet)
Up to 21,780	60% of the total lot size or 1,200 sq feet, whichever is less
More than ½ acre up to 2 acres	1,600
More than 2 acres up to 5 acres	2,000
More than 5 acres up to 10 acres	2,500
More than 10 acres	4,500

Section 480-61 H-2 is hereby deleted and replaced with:

480-61 Accessory Buildings and Structures.

H. Location on Lot.

(2) No detached accessory building may be located closer than three feet to any side or rear lot line except as otherwise provided for herein. Setbacks to property lines shall be increased one additional foot for each one foot an accessory building parallel to a lot line exceeds 40 feet in length, and/or taller than the 15-foot allowable mean height adjacent to the said property line.

Section 480-53-K is hereby deleted and replaced with:

480-53 Off-Street Parking for Retail Stores.

Section 480-53 Off-street parking requirements.

K. The minimum number of off-street parking spaces by type of use shall be determined in accordance with the following schedule:

<u>Type of Use</u>	<u>Minimum Number of Off-Street Parking Spaces</u>
Retail stores except as	1 for each 250 square feet of usable floor area
Otherwise specified herein	

Section 480-67-E, is hereby deleted.

480-67 Exterior Lighting.

E. Parking lot lighting shall not exceed an intensity of five footcandles, nor shall it be less than 1.5 footcandles.

Section 480-67-F becomes E; and G becomes F.

NEW BUSINESS

NB 1 - Clerk Mattei, supported by Trustee Knotts, moved to approve the renewal of the Par Plan General Liability Insurance Coverage effective November 1, 2021 to November 1, 2022, in the

amount of \$17,106. Roll call vote: Yea: Mattei, Knotts, Reichle, Blackstock, Babel, Hart, and Rausch. Carried. Treasurer Hart asked about the new generator being added to the policy. The previous two years policy amount was 2019-2020 \$15,690, and 2020-2021 \$14,755.

NB 2 – Trustee Knotts, supported by Trustee Reichle, moved to approve \$2,750 to Jelsch Paving Company for repairs to 4435 Clarke Drive driveway approach which was removed earlier this year to repair a water leak. This price is contingent upon China Township approving a project in China Township. Roll call vote: Yea: Knotts, Reichle, Blackstock, Babel, Hart, Mattei and Rausch. Carried.

NB 3 – Clerk Mattei, supported by Trustee Blackstock, moved to approve \$36,952 to Michigan Pipe Inspection to install fiberglass patches in the sanitary sewer main, as requested by DPW Supervisor Blayn Szyska. Roll call vote: Yea: Mattei, Blackstock, Reichle, Babel, Hart, Knotts and Rausch. Carried. Other quotes were \$41,277 Michigan Underground Specialist; and Plummer’s Environmental Services \$46,900.

NB 4 – Trustee Knotts, supported by Clerk Mattei, moved to approve the employment offer to Jeremy Johnson as a sewer plant operator. In addition, the Wastewater Superintendent may offer the position to an additional qualified candidate if Mr. Johnson declines. Carried.

NB 5 – Trustee Blackstock, supported by Trustee Reichle, moved to adopt Resolution 18-2021. Carried.

RESOLUTION: 18-2021
AUTHORIZING MICHIGAN TOWNSHIP PARTICIPATING (PAR PLAN)
RISK REDUCTION GRANT PROGRAM (RRGP) APPLICATION
East China Charter Township
County of St. Clair, Michigan

WHEREAS, the East China Township Park Commission is pursuing grant funding to finance placing 160 yards of mulch under new playground equipment being installed at Manor Park, in East China Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the East China Township Board approves of the Park Commission applying for the Michigan Township Participating Plan Risk Reduction Grant.

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

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

NB 6 – Trustee Knotts, supported by Trustee Blackstock, moved to appoint George Hoppe to the Planning Commission with a term ending November 1, 2024. Carried.

NB 7 – Clerk Mattei, supported by Trustee Babel, moved to approve the holiday Township Office closure dates of December 23 & 24, 2021 for Christmas and December 30 & 31, 2021 for New Years. Carried.

MEMBER COMMENTS – Treasurer Hart asked about the recording of different meetings by Channel 6. Supervisor Rausch and Treasurer Hart will not be in attendance at the next meeting.

ADJOURN – Trustee Reichle, supported by Trustee Babel, moved to adjourn at 8:54 p.m. Carried.

Sandra A. Mattei, Clerk

Brian Rausch, Supervisor