

EAST CHINA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

December 5, 2022

CALL TO ORDER – Supervisor Westrick called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m., with Clerk Mattei, Treasurer Hart, and Trustees Blackstock, Knotts, and Reichle. Trustee Babel absent. Township Manager Cindy Paparelli, and DPW Supervisor Blayn Szyska, also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVE AGENDA – Trustee Reichle, supported by Trustee Knotts, moved to approve the agenda with the addition of C4: St. Clair Fire Authority Report. Carried.

MINUTES – Trustee Reichle, supported by Trustee Blackstock, moved to approve the Minutes of November 21, 2022. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

CONSENT AGENDA – Clerk Mattei, supported by Treasurer Hart, moved to accept the Consent Agenda items as follows: Building Report for November 2022, Deputy Clerk Appointment Patricia Biebuyck, new Part-time employee Sue Slone, and St. Clair Fire Run Report for November 2022. Carried.

DISBURSEMENTS – Treasurer Hart, supported by Trustee Reichle, moved to approve Invoices \$31,553.11, Payroll Direct Deposits \$44,645.69, EFT's \$62,631.97, Accounts Payable \$244,686.36, E-Checks \$302.30, and Tax Account \$3,750.49. Roll call vote: Yea: Hart, Reichle, Knotts, Blackstock, Westrick, Mattei. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 – Supervisor Westrick, supported by Clerk Mattei, moved to approve the proposal from Michigan Pipe Inspection, Inc., in the amount of \$106,458, for the annual sanitary sewer cleaning & CCTV project. Roll call vote: Yea: Mattei, Hart, Blackstock, Reichle, Knotts, Westrick. Carried. Additional proposals were Michigan Underground Specialist \$134,720, and Plummer's Environmental Services \$154,350.

NB 1A – Supervisor Westrick, supported by Trustee Knotts, moved to approve the purchase of a Load Trail trailer from Becks Trailers in the amount of \$15,001. Roll call vote: Yea: Westrick, Mattei, Hart, Knotts, Reichle, Blackstock. Carried.

NB 2 – Clerk Mattei, supported by Trustee Blackstock, moved to approve a sewer credit request for 5599 River Road in the amount of \$154.40. Roll call vote: Yea: Blackstock, Reichle, Knotts, Hart, Mattei, Westrick. Carried.

NB 3 – Supervisor Westrick, supported by Trustee Reichle, moved to approve the St. Clair County Economic Development Alliance membership of \$1,866.50 for the first year. Roll call vote: Yea: Westrick. Nay: Reichle, Blackstock, Knotts, Mattei, Hart. Motion denied.

NB 4 - Supervisor Westrick, supported by Trustee Reichle, moved to approve a Memorial Bench Program designed for residents who would like to donate a memorial bench in the township. Carried.

NB 5 – Supervisor Westrick, supported by Treasurer Hart, moved to send the Zoning Ordinance 480-71 Fences for review by the Planning Commission. Trustee Knotts opposed. Carried.

NB 6 – Trustee Knotts, supported by Trustee Reichle, moved to pay the annual Michigan Municipal League Workers’ Compensation fund premium of \$492 for the 2021/2022 coverage period, after audit. Roll call vote: Yea: Knotts, Reichle, Blackstock, Hart, Mattei, Westrick. Carried.

MEMBER COMMENTS – Clerk Mattei thanked Lisa Meldrum for serving as the Township office temporary counter clerk for the past few months.

ADJOURN – Trustee Reichle, supported by Treasurer Hart, moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Carried.

Sandra Mattei, Clerk

Verne Westrick, Supervisor