

EAST CHINA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

FEBRUARY 6, 2023

CALL TO ORDER – Supervisor Westrick called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., with Clerk Mattei, and Trustees Blackstock, Babel, Knotts, and Reichle. Treasurer Hart absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

MINUTES – Trustee Reichle, supported by Trustee Knotts, moved to approve the Minutes of December 19, 2022 and January 16, 2023 as amended. Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Raleigh Hilla, 5341 River Road, spoke about the code enforcement against his property.

CONSENT AGENDA – Trustee Knotts, supported by Trustee Reichle, moved to accept the Consent Agenda items as follows: St. Clair County Sheriff Report, Marine City and St. Clair Fire reports for January 2023, Planning Commission Minutes for August 2022, Park Commission Minutes for December 2022. Carried.

DISBURSEMENTS – Clerk Mattei, supported by Trustee Babel, moved to approve Invoices \$72,697.28, Payroll Direct Deposits \$50,723.80, EFT's \$63,067.14, Accounts Payable \$112,895.85, E-Checks \$302.30, and Tax Account \$87,567.07. Roll call vote: Yea: Reichle, Knotts, Blackstock, Westrick, Babel, Mattei. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

OB-1 – Clerk Mattei, supported by Trustee Babel, moved to reappoint Donald Wills to the Board of Review with a term ending December 31, 2024. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

NB 1 – Presentations were offered by Robert Goldenbogen from Garan Lucow Miller, P.C.; and Allen Francis from Fletcher Fealko Shoudy & Francis, P.C.

NB 2 – Supervisor Westrick, supported by Trustee Reichle, moved to approve a bid from T.R. Pieprzak in the amount of \$54,998 for Water Main Improvements for the DWSRF. Roll call vote: Yea: Blackstock, Reichle, Knotts, Babel, Mattei, Westrick. Carried.

NB 3 – Trustee Knotts, supported by Trustee Reichle, moved to approve a sewer credit at 4173 River Road due to a leak in the amount of \$154.40. Roll call vote: Yea: Westrick, Reichle, Blackstock, Knotts, Mattei, Babel. Carried.

NB 4 – Trustee Knotts, supported by Supervisor Westrick, moved to approve a request for a waste-water operations course in Mt. Pleasant in the amount of \$726.26 with necessary expenses. Roll call vote: Yea: Knotts, Westrick, Reichle, Blackstock, Babel, Mattei. Carried.

NB 5 – Supervisor Westrick, supported by Trustee Knotts, moved to approve a water meter purchase by DPW Supervisor in the amount of \$22,467.90 plus shipping. Roll call vote: Yea: Westrick, Knotts, Reichle, Blackstock, Babel, Mattei. Carried.

NB 6 – Supervisor Westrick, supported by Trustee Reichle, moved to approve payment to T.R. Pieprzak in the amount of \$15,300 for payment #1 for a water system improvement contract, and authorize the Township Manager to sign the application. Roll call vote: Yea: Knotts, Reichle, Blackstock, Babel, Mattei, Westrick. Carried.

NB 7 – Supervisor Westrick, supported by Trustee Blackstock, moved to approve PCE \$1500 to prepare an estimated cost and preliminary watermain sketch for 6 residences along River Road who currently share an existing line. Roll call vote: Yea: Blackstock, Babel, Reichle, Knotts, Westrick, Mattei. Carried.

NB 8 – Clerk Mattei, supported by Supervisor Westrick, moved to waive all outstanding and uncollectible emergency fire run charges prior to the Ordinance update in 2022. Roll call vote: Yea: Mattei, Westrick, Babel, Blackstock, Reichle, Knotts. Carried.

NB 9 – Supervisor Westrick, supported by Trustee Reichle, moved to refer the recommendation of the Building Official to consider rezoning a parcel known as Little Grocery to residential. Carried.

NB 10 – Trustee Reichle, supported by Clerk Mattei, moved to approve \$2,775 to the St. Clair County Road Commission to install a culvert for our DPW to access a manhole along M-29; funds from Capital Improvements. Roll call vote: Yea: Reichle, Knotts, Blackstock, Babel, Mattei, Westrick. Carried.

NB 11 – Trustee Knotts, supported by Clerk Mattei, moved to approve reimbursement to the Park Manager for expenses of \$197.34, assuring that in the future all required receipts are supplied per the Township policy. Roll call vote: Yea: Knotts, Reichle, Babel, Blackstock, Mattei, Westrick. Carried.

NB 12 – Supervisor Westrick, supported by Trustee Knotts, moved to approve \$9,232.01 to East Jordan for valve replacement materials for fire hydrants along Recor Road. Funds from Water Department Repair/Maintenance Supplies: 591-538-775. Roll call vote: Yea: Westrick, Knotts, Reichle, Blackstock, Babel, Mattei. Carried.

MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS – Supervisor Westrick said that there will be a sewer man-hole replacement at Francis/M-29. Clerk Mattei said that the Board of Review meetings are scheduled for March 13, 2023 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.; and March 15, 2023 from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m.

ADJOURN – Trustee Reichle, supported by Trustee Babel, moved to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. Carried.

Sandra Mattei, Clerk

Verne Westrick, Supervisor

Approved 2.21.2023