

EAST CHINA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

MAY 2, 2016

CALL TO ORDER – Supervisor Simons called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., with Treasurer Beaudua, and Trustees Blackstock, Knotts, Patsalis, and Horn. Clerk Kramm excused.

Four in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVE AGENDA – Trustee Horn, supported by Trustee Patsalis, moved to approve the agenda. Carried.

APPROVE MINUTES – Treasurer Beaudua, supported by Trustee Horn, moved to accept the minutes of April 18, 2016. Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA – Trustee Knotts, supported by Trustee Patsalis, moved to approve the April 19, 2016 Sewer and Water Authority minutes. Carried.

DISBURSEMENTS – Trustee Knotts, supported by Treasurer Beaudua, moved to approve payment of the invoices in the amount of \$31,072.27, accounts payable in the amount of \$142,604.20, payroll in the amount of \$11,103.21, payroll direct deposits in the amount of \$17,902.29 and ACH and EFT payments in the amount of \$35,845.16. Roll call vote: Yea: Knotts, Beaudua, Blackstock, Horn, Patsalis, and Simons. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS – Trustee Patsalis, supported by Trustee Knotts, moved to approve \$2,193 to Contractors Connection for a DPW water trash pump. Roll call vote: Yea: Patsalis, Knotts, Horn, Blackstock, Beaudua, and Simons. Carried.

Trustee Horn, supported by Treasurer Beaudua, moved to approve an Agreement with the St. Clair County Council on Aging in the amount of \$500.00. Roll call vote: Yea: Horn, Beaudua, Knotts, Blackstock, Patsalis, and Simons. Carried.

Trustee Knotts, supported by Trustee Blackstock, moved to approve the \$18,591 payment to Michigan Municipal Worker's Compensation Fund for the policy term of July 1, 2016 to July 1, 2017. Roll call vote: Yea: Knotts, Blackstock, Patsalis, Horn, Beaudua, and Simons. Carried.

Treasurer Beaudua, supported by Trustee Horn, moved to appoint Simon Douglass to the Historical Commission with a term ending October 3, 2018. Carried.

Trustee Horn, supported by Trustee Patsalis, moved to approve a two year Contract with SVS for managed care vision benefits in the amount of \$7.94 per month per employee effective July 1, 2016. Roll call vote: Yea: Horn, Patsalis, Blackstock, Knotts, Beaudua, and Simons. Carried.

DPW Supervisor Blayn Szyska explained the condition of the truck fleet and asked if a replacement plan for aging vehicles could be put in place. There is about \$104,000 in the DPW Equipment Replacement Fund and he requested purchasing a new ½ ton 4x4 truck with an 8-foot bed. Trustee Knotts, supported by Trustee Blackstock, moved to approve Blayn seeking quotes for a new truck. Carried.

Supervisor Simons, supported by Trustee Horn, moved have DPW Supervisor Blayn Szyska seek quotes to purchase a new 72” lawn mower. Carried.

Trustee Knotts, supported by Treasurer Beaudua, moved to begin procedures to fill the open position at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Nay: Horn. Carried. Trustee Horn asked that a selection to fill the vacant position be made after the Union contract negotiations. Trustee Knotts and Treasurer Beaudua objected due to the current work levels.

RESOLUTION 2-2016 – Supervisor Simons, supported by Trustee Blackstock, moved to adopt Resolution 2-2016 – Increasing Water Consumption Rates. Carried.

**RESOLUTION 2 - 2016
INCREASING WATER CONSUMPTION RATES**

WHEREAS, the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 453-14, “Water service rates,” provides in Section A. that water consumption rates shall be set by resolution of the Township Board of Trustees, and

WHEREAS, East China Township has approved a millage to pay for the capital cost of construction of a new water filtration treatment facility, and

WHEREAS, the cost of repairs, operation and maintenance of the East China Township water distribution system are anticipated to increase, and

WHEREAS, the current water consumption charge before adoption of this Resolution is stated at Five Dollars and Fifty-Six Cents (\$5.56) per thousand gallons.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the water consumption charge for users of the East China Township water supply system shall be the per thousand gallon rate of Five Dollars and Fifteen Cents (\$5.15) with a Ready To Serve charge based on meter size. The water hauler rate is \$1.00 per 100 gallons. Water taken from fire hydrants is \$6.00 per 1,000 gallons.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the water consumption charges shall take effect retroactively to October 1, 2015.

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.

RESOLUTION 3-2016 – Trustee Knotts, supported by Supervisor Simons, moved to adopt Resolution 3-2016 – Increasing Sanitary Sewage Disposal System Rates. Carried.

**RESOLUTION 3-2016
INCREASING SANITARY SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM RATES**

WHEREAS, the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 453-15, “Sewer use charges,” provides in Section A. that sewer usage rates shall be set by resolution of the Township Board of Trustees, and

WHEREAS, the cost of repairs, operation and maintenance of the East China Township sewage disposal system are anticipated to increase, and

WHEREAS, the current sewage disposal charge before adoption of this Resolution is stated at Five Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$5.20) per thousand gallons.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the sewage disposal charge for users of the East China Township sewage disposal system shall be the per thousand gallon rate of Five Dollars and Nineteen Cents (\$5.19) with a Ready To Serve charge based on meter size.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sewer usage charges shall take effect retroactively to October 1, 2015.

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.

MEMBER COMMENTS – Members expressed condolences to the Kramm family. Supervisor Simons, Treasurer Beaudua and Trustee Knotts congratulated the Park Commission for a good job done and said to come out and vote for the school millage election tomorrow, May 3, 2016.

ADJOURN – Treasurer Beaudua, supported by Trustee Horn, moved to adjourn at 8:23 p.m. Carried.

Herbert Blackstock, Recording Secretary

Larry J. Simons, Supervisor