

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF EAST CHINA
OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

APRIL 7, 2008

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

Twenty-seven in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVE MINUTES – Treasurer Beaudua, supported by Trustee Bober, moved to approve the Minutes of March 17, 2008 with the following addition. Carried.

Supervisor Randolph, supported by Treasurer Beaudua, moved to approve the 3-year quote by Executive Landscape management in the amount of \$843.00 for 2008, \$885.00 for 2009, and \$945.00 for 2010. Roll call vote: Yea: Randolph, Beaudua, and Arnold. Nay: Simons. Carried. *The Executive Landscape Management quote was approved due to the 3-year pricing, as requested in the advertisement for quotes.*

PUBLIC COMMENT – Resident J. R. Lindsey thanked the members for the well-kept maintenance along the bike path.

CONSENT AGENDA – Trustee Bober, supported by Trustee Patsalis, moved to accept the consent agenda as follows. Supervisor's letter to the Economic Development Alliance, Marine City Fire report for March 2008, St. Clair Fire report for March 2008, Building Department report for March 2008, Beautification Committee Minutes of March 6, 2008, Mike McLeod's conference report and the Planning Commission Minutes of March 11, 2008. Carried.

DISBURSEMENTS – Treasurer Beaudua, supported by Trustee Knotts, moved to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$103,122.65, payroll in the amount of \$31,882.10, ACH payments in the amount of \$27,386.55, and tax account in the amount of \$84.46. Roll call vote: Yea: Beaudua, Knotts, Patsalis, Simons, Bober, and Randolph. Nay: None. Carried.

MEMBER REPORTS – Treasurer Beaudua, reported on the Historical Commission meeting held on April 2, 2008. The copy machine annual maintenance agreement is being canceled because the cost is rising more than the benefit. Repairs will be made as needed. A new sign will be added at the Red Brick School directing people to the handicap ramp and entrance and non-skid treads will be added to the wooden ramp. A Country Schools of America Association conference will be held June 16-18, 2008, in Oxford, Ohio. The Townships' 150-year Sesquicentennial anniversary is February 2009. The Red Brick School summer open house dates were published in the Times Herald Almanac. New gravel has been added to the parking area and Gerald Emig of St. Clair has several items to donate to the Red Brick School.

NEW BUSINESS - Trustee Patsalis, supported by Trustee Bober, moved to approve attendance by Eric Sheldon at the AWWA class in East Lansing, on April 29, 2008, at a cost of \$90.00, with necessary expenses. Roll call vote: Yea: Patsalis, Bober, Knotts, Simons, Beaudua, and Randolph. Nay: None. Carried.

Trustee Knotts, supported by Trustee Simons, moved to approve a 10-year Mutual Aid Water Agreement with the City of St. Clair, from May 1, 2008 to May 1, 2018. Carried.

Representatives from Detroit Edison were present and discussed the fly ash recycling facility they will be building on their property. The project has been simplified and there will be a much smaller footprint for the building than originally proposed. There will be limited exterior lighting and precautions will be taken to limit noise from the surrounding neighbors. Trucks will load fly ash by airtight hoses into enclosed tanks and dust should be minimal under ordinary conditions. Trucks hauling the fly ash will be using state "Class A" roads only. During the day they may use the road on Edison property that extends west from M-29 to King Road. Trucks haul 50-tons of fly ash each load and truck traffic volume is expected to be about six loads a day with a maximum of fourteen loads on peak days. Berms and trees are planned for the north side and might be added on west side along M-29 for screening.

Trustee Knotts, supported by Trustee Bober, moved to accept the Revenue and Expenditure report for December 2007. Carried. Trustee Knotts commented that the staff has done a good job keeping spending in line with the budget.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS – Trustee Knotts asked when the Hathaway Drain project is schedule for completion and when the drainage problem will be fixed at the end of Manor Park. He requested that new metal nets be installed at the basketball courts at Manor Park. The temporary road patching applied on Bree Road during the Hathaway Drain project needs to be redone.

Trustee Bober said the rough asphalt patching on Bree Road needs to be redone and he appreciates the efforts by staff to keep spending under control and stay within the budget.

Trustee Simons said the new attic staircase is complete and looks good.

Treasurer Beaudua is looking into purchasing coins with the Township logo to offer to residents during the Township's sesquicentennial festivities next year. Some historical commission members are interested in helping plan festivities and they are inviting ideas from residents, board members or anyone interested in helping.

ADJOURN – Trustee Bober, supported by Trustee Simons, moved to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Carried.

John A. Randolph, Supervisor

Gary J. Arnold, Clerk