

EATON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
August 5, 2021

Supervisor Roberts opened the regular August meeting with the pledge to the flag of our Country.

Present at the Township Hall were Supervisor Roberts, Treasurer Dolman, Clerk Patterson, and Trustee Droscha and Trustee Bankhead.

Supervisor Roberts moved to approve the August agenda. **Trustee Droscha supported. Seconded by Trustee Bankhead. MOTION CARRIED.**

Clerk Patterson read the synopsis of unapproved minutes from the July meeting. **Motion made by Trustee Droscha to accept the Clerk's synopsis. Trustee Bankhead supported. MOTION CARRIED.**

Treasurer Dolman presented the Treasurer's report in written form. **Trustee Droscha moved to accept the Treasurer's report as written. Motion supported by Trustee Bankhead. MOTION CARRIED.**

Supervisor Roberts moved to pay current bills. Supported by Trustee Droscha. MOTION CARRIED.

Sheriff Report: A printed report was provided to the board and Undersheriff Cook presented the report in-person as well. He reported that Sgt. Walter contacted M-DOT and they are going to add an additional stop sign on Perkey Rd. and reflectors to visually help motorists. There were a few questions from the public that were addressed by the Undersheriff. Supervisor Roberts expressed some concerns regarding issues on Brookfield Rd. with erratic behavior that residents didn't feel were addressed.

CORRESPONDENCE: Supervisor Roberts discussed a notice of violation that was issued for a resident burning a camping. Tyger Fullerton reported more details of the situation that occurred. Permits are only issued to burn brush and the fire department has to enforce the code.

PUBLIC COMMENT: A resident called with concerns of a used car lot on Island Hwy. Supervisor Roberts said Planning and Zoning would need to be contacted for enforcement.

Commissioner Droscha commented on a report he received from a public safety meeting regarding erratic behavior and how it's handled by law enforcement.

NEW BUSINESS

Home Business Application CU-9-21-7 (Margaret Kyser)

Margaret Kyser would like to open a used furniture store to sell furniture with 100% of the proceeds going to Hospice Palliative Care. The board asked questions regarding the commercial business location and square footage. Concerns were also expressed.

A motion was made by Trustee Bankhead to support the conditional use permit application. Supported by Trustee Droscha.

Roll Call:

**Trustee Droscha- Yay Clerk Patterson- Yay Trustee Bankhead- Yay Treasurer Dolman-
Nay Supervisor Roberts- Nay**

Supervisor Roberts said a letter would be sent to the planning and zoning committee.

MOTION CARRIED.

2020/2021 Fiscal Year Analysis

Larry Tiejema provided the board with the audit report summary. Mr. Tiejema said he plans to retire next year. He commended the township for managing their buildings and finances well.

Tina Lane and Kristen Way Special Assessment

Treasurer Dolman provided information on Tina Lane and Kristen Way on the possibility of having a special assessment done to pave the private roads. This assessment would be significantly higher than the assessment that was previously approved on Guernsey Dr. There was a public comment from a resident on Kristen Way.

A motion was made by Trustee Droscha that Eaton Township would not collect township operating property taxes. Supported by Trustee Bankhead. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORTS

County Commissioner: Commissioner Droscha invited the board to a broadband meeting on September 1, 2021. The survey has been completed at Crandall Park. There was information given on a potential tornado siren being installed near the lake.

Library: Mrs. Borrelli stated the charging station and the post are getting used regularly. The open library seat vacated from the City of Charlotte has been filled.

Rural Fire: Supervisor Roberts reported on the meeting that was held last Monday. Each township in the rural fire organization had a representative at the meeting. There isn't a conflict with the firemen. The issue is in regards to the budget. The board would like representation in regards to the budget. Supervisor Roberts suggested that the board attend the next rural fire meeting on August 23rd. On August 12th there is a meet and greet for the public to meet the 2 fire chief candidates. A resident spoke with concerns on who will fight the fires if there aren't any volunteers to fight them. The citizens are the ones being impacted.

CECC: Treasurer Dolman showed pictures of the completed gutter guards that were added. The group that has been renting on Friday's is now renting on Tuesday's as well.

Recreation Co-op: Trustee Bankhead reported that the building of the dugout structures will begin August 10th. There will be some late summer use on the field. There has been difficulty with getting benches.

Assessing: The July Board of Review looked at 11 cases.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:19 P.M.

Danielle Patterson, Eaton Twp Clerk