

Eaton Rapids Township
Eaton Rapids, MI
Eaton County

Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, March 9, 2023
7:00 PM

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 p.m.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present

Board Members Present-Treasurer Gray, Clerk Morgan, Trustee Morgan and Trustee Benkovsky, Wilson was absent.

Clerk Morgan motioned to appoint Trustee Morgan as chairperson for this meeting in the absence of Supervisor Wilson. Motion was seconded by Trustee Benkovsky. Motion approved.

Motion to amend the agenda by R. Morgan to add Bank Card reader and Website update to the agenda. Motion was seconded by B. Morgan. Motion passed. Motion by Benkovsky to add approval of the minutes of the Special Budget Meeting held on February to the agenda. Motion was seconded by R. Morgan. Motion carried. Motion to approve the amended agenda with additions by Benkovsky and seconded by Gray. Motion was approved.

Motion to approve minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 9, 2023 by Gray. Seconded by Benkovsky. Motion passed. Motion to approve the minutes of the Special Budget workshop (meeting) held on February 23 by Benkovsky and seconded by B. Morgan. Motion passed.

Sherriff Report: There were 80 events for the month of February 2023. See printed report.

Fire Department Report: There were 47 runs for the month of March, (34 MFR's, 1 Fire Alarm/Standby, 0 Heavy Rescue, 0 Burn Complaint, 1 Structure Fires, 6 Wires Down, 0 Brush Fire, 2 Personal Injury, 0 Carbon Monoxide Alarm, 0 Grass Fire, 1 Odor Investigations and 2 Miscellaneous.

Brief Public Comment-(General Public, Commissioners, Etc.): Commissioner Rogers (15th District) reported from the Health and Human resources committee that additional mils of .1248 will be considered by the county to fund the addition of 100 beds to the Eaton County Medical Care Facility. Public works and planning committee are working on a plan to beautify the rear grounds of the County Building. Commissioner Holms (14th District) reported that the Information and Technology committee are discussing upgrading IT capabilities in the commissioners meeting room at the county. The public safety committee passed a resolution to reclassify County Dispatch Medical First Responders. The Sheriffs' Department has added a therapy K-9 unit. Discussion for deputies to obtain paramedic credentials (able to administer medication at scene if needed).

R. Goodnoe (resident) commented on the light sensors that have been installed in the city, but inquired why a sensor was not installed on the light at Kinneville/Spicerville roads. He also questioned office phones (treasurer's side) not functioning properly and pot hole in Township Hall driveway.

New Business:

CU-Reeves (R & D Landscape): Motion to approve application by B. Morgan and seconded by Benkovsky. Motion approved.

CU-Barbara Moore: Motion to approve application by Benkovsky and seconded by Gray. Motion approved.

IT Right Contract rate increase: Motion to table until full board is present by B. Morgan. Seconded by R. Morgan. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business:

Bank Card Reader: No update.

Website Update: Information has been sent for all departments, more needed for completion and to be able to launch beginning of April.

Board Reports:

Supervisor: None

Treasurer: Total Fund Assets without current month's interest as of February 28, 2023 is \$609,673.00

Clerk: Clerk Morgan motioned to accept revenues of \$196,411.40 for the month of February 2023. Motion seconded by Benkovsky. Motion approved. R. Morgan motioned to accept expenditures of \$64,113.16 for the month of February. Motion was seconded by Gray. Motion approved. Morgan motioned to approve/ratify the list of bills that were paid in February to avoid penalty and interest & bills that are current to be paid in March in the amount of \$62,087.41 and approval for expenditures for payroll and the sexton should there be a burial. Seconded by B. Morgan. Motion carried.

Budget amendments/ratifications: Motion by R. Morgan to approve budget amendments ratifications. (See report) Seconded by Benkovsky. Motion carried.

Trustee Morgan: Morgan

Trustee Benkovsky: Recycling location, park grant update.

- **Brief Public Comment:** None
 - **The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.**
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