

**Erie Township Board
Regular Meeting
Erie, Michigan**

March 10, 2026

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Erie Township Board was held Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at the Erie Township Hall, 2065 Erie Rd. Erie, Michigan. Supervisor Michael Grodi called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The roll was called, and the Pledge of Allegiance recited. Danny Taylor offered an opening prayer.

Supervisor Michael Grodi - Present
Treasurer Cindy Wisbon – Present
Clerk Kimberly Cousino – Present
Trustee Manny Evola - Present
Trustee Steve Mishka - Present

Also present were recording Secretary Jackie Cowdrey.

B. CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1) Minutes Approval of February 10, 2026, Regular Meeting and Public Hearing
- 2) Building Report; February 2026
- 3) Treasurer’s Report, February 2026
- 4) Revenue and Expense Report, February 2026
- 5) Police and Fire Reports; February 2026

S. Mishka moved supported by C. Wisbon to approve the consent agenda items 1-5 waving the reading. Motion carried.

C. CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1) Attorney Tom Graham
- 2) Deputy Drain Commissioner Tim Csurgo
- 3) Matt Snell, Monroe County Road Commission
- 4) Property owners of 2029 & 2037 Manhattan
- 5) Michigan Department of Treasury

C. Wisbon moved supported by K. Cousino to approve correspondence items 1-5; correspondence item four as read. Motion carried.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

E. BUSINESS:

1) Bills Approval:

C. Wisbon moved supported by K.Cousino to approve checks #38897 - #38950 from accounts payable including payroll, ACH, and EFT in the amount of \$156,324.11 and nothing from trust and agency account. Roll called; C. Wisbon – yes, M. Evola – yes, M. Grodi – yes, S. Mishka – yes, K. Cousino – yes. Motion carried.

2) Historical Society essay contest winners:

The Erie Area Historians presented their two essay winners; Hudson Harman and Mackenzie Lasinskas, who read their winning essays aloud.

3) Michigan Par Plan Grant Resolution, revised:

K. Cousino moved supported by S. Mishka to approve the resolution to apply for the Michigan Par Plan Grant for \$1,200 to offset the purchase of howler sirens for the new police vehicle. Motion carried.

4) Morin Point Fire Department: dismissal of probationary fireman:

K. Cousino moved supported by S. Mishka to dismiss Sean Burgoon as probationary fireman from the Morin Point Fire Department per Assistant Chief William Murphy's request. Motion carried.

5) Township garage: quote to install heater and insulation:

S. Mishka moved supported by M. Evola to approve the installation of a heater, insulation, and steel in the township garage up to \$13,000, and an internal transfer of \$7,000 from THG demolition and \$6,000 from police equipment lines. Motion carried.

6) Budget amendments:

C. Wisbon moved supported by K. Cousino to approve the batch add budget amendments as presented. Roll called; C. Wisbon – yes, M. Evola – yes, M. Grodi – yes, S. Mishka – yes, K. Cousino – yes. Motion carried.

7) Cemetery Management and GIS mapping:

K. Cousino presented two proposals for GIS plot mapping and inventory of both Erie Union Cemetery and Brigham Cemetery. The proposals submitted were from Trimedia and Cemsites. K. Cousino recommends contracting with Trimedia as their proposal includes on site work, photographing and documenting every headstone, GPR radar, and a publicly accessible website. Discussion was held.

K. Cousino moved supported by S. Mishka to proceed with Trimedia for cemetery management work as presented, not to exceed \$77,500, funds will be used from the cemetery line and PPI. Roll called; C. Wisbon – yes, M. Evola – yes, M. Grodi – yes, S. Mishka – yes, K. Cousino – yes. Motion carried.

8) Streetlight special assessment:

Supervisor M. Grodi stated he is exploring the possibility of a township wide special assessment for the installation and upkeep of streetlights. Discussion was held, item to be brought back at a future meeting with more information.

PUBLIC AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENT:

Diane La Plante thanked the Police and Fire Departments and complimented the board on approving the contract for cemetery management and mapping.

ADJOURNMENT:

K. Cousino moved supported by S. Mishka to adjourn at 6:50 pm. Meeting adjourned.

Jackie Cowdrey
Recording Secretary

Kimberly Cousino
Clerk