

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

April 14, 2026

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Erie Township Board was held Tuesday, April 14, 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

B. CONSENT AGENDA:

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

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

C. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. 2026 taxable values
2. Monroe County Drain Commissioner
3. Provident privacy policy
4. SLFRF Annual Compliance Report
5. Michigan Public Service Commission
6. Bicentennial Committee

S. Mishka moved supported by M. Evola to approve correspondence items 1-6, waiving the reading. Motion carried.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jason Bert, Mason Consolidated Schools Tech Director shared information regarding the upcoming countywide technology proposal on the May 5, 2026 election ballot.

E. BUSINESS:

1) Bills Approval:

C. Wisbon moved supported by K. Cousino to approve checks #38951 - #39027 from accounts payable including payroll, ACH, and EFT in the amount of \$159,882.52 and checks #1794 - #1975 in the amount of \$828.00 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) Monroe County Library System:

Nancy Bellaire, Barbara Krueger, and Ashley Liford, representatives from the Monroe County Library System, presented their request for support from the township for their application to the Ralph C. Wilson Legacy Fund Grant for the purchase and installation of outdoor musical instruments.

K. Cousino moved supported by C. Wisbon to adopt the resolution to support the purchase and installation of outdoor musical instruments at the Erie Branch Library as presented. Motion carried.

3) Sixty-day review of listing of bank property:

Supervisor Grodi presented an activity report provided by listing agent, Kyle Jurgenson from Miller Diversified, of the property located at 9796 Dixie Hwy. Discussion was held.

M. Evola moved supported by S. Mishka to reduce the listing price of 9796 S. Dixie Hwy. to \$215,000 and reduce the lease rate to \$10.00 per square foot, and to request another activity report as of August 31, 2026, and re-visit the listing at the September 2026 meeting. Motion carried.

4) SEMCOG membership renewal:

S. Mishka moved supported by C. Wisbon to renew the 2026 membership with SEMCOG for \$987.00. Motion carried.

5) Purchase offer of Morin Point 1999 rescue squad:

Supervisor Grodi presented a purchase offer from Mercy's to purchase the 1999 E350 Super Duty Rescue Squad for \$7,500, as well as supporting documentation of the value of the vehicle provided by Assistant Chief Murphy. Discussion was held.

S. Mishka moved supported by M. Evola to accept the purchase offer of \$7,500 for the 1999 rescue squad as presented. Motion carried.

6) Race for the Kids local road closure request:

M. Evola moved supported by C. Wisbon to approve the request from Race for the Kids to close local roads as presented on June 13, 2026. Motion carried.

7) Race for the Kids resolution:

K. Cousino moved supported by C. Wisbon to adopt the resolution for Race for the Kids as presented, waiving the reading. Motion carried.

8) Race for the Kids state highway closure and performance resolution:

M. Evola moved supported by C. Wisbon to approve the request from Race for the Kids for a state highway closure and performance resolution as presented, waiving the reading. Motion carried.

9) Spicer Group engagement for storm water reporting:

Supervisor Grodi presented a proposed engagement with Spicer Group for assistance with obtaining a new National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Storm Water Discharge MS4 Permit. The township engaged with Spicer in 2020 for similar services. Discussion was held.

S. Mishka moved supported by K. Cousino to enter into agreement with Spicer to obtain a new MS4 permit as presented, up to \$17,000.00. Motion carried.

10) Purchase offer for Telegraph Rd property:

Supervisor Grodi presented an offer from Jason Kuehnlein and Kuehnlein Concrete to purchase 2.8 acres on Telegraph Rd. from the township in the amount of \$50,000, under a two-year land contract. Discussion was held.

M. Evola moved supported by S. Mishka to approve the letter of intent to purchase 2.8 acres on Telegraph Rd. as outlined in proposal. Roll called; C. Wisbon – yes, M. Evola – yes, M. Grodi – yes, S. Mishka – yes, K. Cousino – yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENT:

Diane La Plante offered her assistance in locating documents submitted to the DEQ from the Storm Water Commission she served on years ago.

Trustee Evola asked Supervisor Grodi if we can press MDOT to make repairs to S. Dixie Hwy. Supervisor Grodi stated MDOT is aware of the poor condition of S. Dixie Hwy, he is in regular communication with Craig Heidelberg about the condition of S. Dixie and executing recommendations from the Road Safety Audit that was conducted.

Trustee Mishka assured the public that despite the sale of the 1999 rescue, both Fire Departments have adequate equipment to respond to emergencies.

Clerk Cousino informed the public that dump day is May 30 from 7 am to 11:30 am, dumpsters will be located at Erie Township Hall and Morin Point Fire Department; provided a reminder of the May 5 election and absentee ballots have been mailed.

Supervisor Grodi stated the pre-construction meeting for the downtown improvement project is scheduled for May 15; the pump station is being installed on S. Dixie Hwy for the sewer extension project; residents interested in tapping into the sewer or with questions on the project are encouraged to call the township hall; Monroe County Health Department sent a mailer with recycling opportunities as well as tire disposal; encouraged public to inform the township if they notice illegal roadside dumping.

ADJOURNMENT:

S. Mishka moved supported by C. Wisbon to adjourn at 6:35 pm. Meeting adjourned.

Kimberly Cousino
Clerk