

## APPROVED

### Proposed Minutes

Gerrish Lyon Utility Authority Board  
Special Meeting  
9:00 am August 20, 2024  
Gerrish Township Hall  
2997 E. Higgins Lake Drive  
Roscommon, MI 48653

Special meeting was called to order at 9:03 am.

Present: Jim Barnwell, Phil Czech, Bill Lamb, Eric Carlson, and Tom Metcalf.  
Jerry McKenna and Dave Hall absent.

### Pledge of Allegiance

**Approval of Meeting Agenda:** Phil Czech changed the agenda by adding Susan Semack to the agenda for grant administrator. This item was moved to business item number one.

**Approval of the Revised Meeting Agenda:** Motion by Phil Czech, supported by Eric Carlson. Revised agenda was approved as presented.

### Business Items:

1. The Gerrish Lyon Utility Authority acknowledges and appoints Susan Smack, Grants Administrator, with power to represent the Gerrish Lyon Utility Authority in all aspects of administration related to grants on the organization's behalf. This includes the right to reflect the official signature of GLUA in the online environments for application and other administration, such as status reporting and reimbursement requests, of any said grants. We recognize that this authority was authorized under the motion made at the January 2024 meeting and shall continue until such time as the Board determines to suspend such authority.

**Motion** to support was made by Phil Czech, seconded by Tom Metcalf.

**Discussion:** This position will help with grant schedules in order to fulfill obligations. The vote was unanimous (5 board members), in favor. Zero members voted against.

**Motion carried.**

2. Grant Agreement Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development and Gerrish Lyon Utility Authority. \$100,000 Grant Assistance. **Motion** by Tom Metcalf, seconded by Eric Carlson, to authorize the chairman to sign the \$100,000 Michigan Department of Agriculture Rural Development (MDARD) Grant Agreement.

**Discussion:** This money will be used for hydrogeological work and to pay the insurance policy for GLUA. This is a 70/30 reimbursement grant.

Vote was unanimous (5 board members), in favor. Zero members voted against. M

**Motion carried.**

### Upcoming Pending Grants

(a) Michigan EGLE Non Point Source Grant: \$40,000

**Motion** by Bill Lamb, seconded by Tom Metcalf, to authorize the Chairman to sign the \$40,000 Michigan EGLE Non Point Source Grant Agreement.

**Discussion:** This grant has already been awarded. This motion is to sign and accept. This is a non-matching grant.

The vote was unanimous (5 board members), in favor. Zero members voted against. Motion carried.

(b) Federal Community Project Grant: \$1,000,000

**Motion** by Tom Metcalf, seconded by Phil Czech, to authorize the Chairman to sign the \$1,000,000 Federal EPA Community Grant agreement.

**Discussion**: This is a non-matching grant. The vote was unanimous (5 board members), in favor. Zero members voted against. **Motion carried**.

**Public Comments:** None

**Board Comments:** Tom Metcalf stated his support for GLUA moving forward, despite the outcome of the election. Eric Carlson agreed with Tom Metcalf's statement. Phil Czech clarified the GLUA bylaws which states that GLUA board members may attend meetings via zoom and have the right to vote. This clarification will be brought up again at the next regular meeting.

**Adjournment:** **Motion** by Bill Lamb, seconded by Tom Metcalf. The vote was unanimous (5 board members), in favor. Zero members voted against. **Motion carried**. Meeting was adjourned at 9:47 a.m.