

**HOPE TOWNSHIP BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**March 16, 2020**

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Mark Feldpausch at the Hope Township Hall, 5463 S. M-43 Hwy, Hastings, MI 49058.

**Members Present:** Mark Feldpausch, Arlene Tonkin, Deborah Jackson, David Messelink, Matt Peake.

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Dave Jackson, Perry Shepard, Lisa Shockley-Curtis.

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Agenda:** Jackson requested Office Closure to be added under New Business (k.). Motion to approve the amended agenda by Messelink, second by Jackson. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Budget Public Hearing:**

Supervisor Feldpausch opened the Budget Public Hearing at 6:35 p.m.

- A. Public comment pertaining to the budget: None
- B. Supervisor Feldpausch closed the Budget Public hearing at 6:38 p.m.
- C. Motion by Messelink, second by Tonkin to approve the 2020-2021 budget. Roll call vote. Motion passed unanimously.
- D. Supervisor Feldpausch **opened the Regular Board Meeting at 6:39 p.m.**

**Delton Fire Report:** Perry Shepard gave report. Report on file.

**County Commission Report:** Dave Jackson gave report.

**Consent Agenda:** *All matters listed under item 6, Consent Agenda, are considered routine by the board and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is required, it will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.*

- a. Approval of February 24, 2020 Budget Workshop Minutes
- b. Reports received: Building permits; Revenue/Expenditure report; Treasurer report; Sewer minutes; Library minutes
- c. Approval of Bills and signatures of Board Members: Deborah Jackson

Motion to approve consent agenda by Jackson, second by Tonkin. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.

**Reports/Board Comments:**

**Supervisor:** None

**Treasurer:** Tonkin read report. Report on file.

**Clerk:** Jackson reported the library is closed to the public until further notice due to the coronavirus. The library budget was approved at the last meeting.

**Trustee(s):** Peake reported the Road Commission campus is closed to the public due to the virus. Messelink reported the SWBCSA meeting is tomorrow and the budget was passed at their last meeting.

**Unfinished Business**

None

**New Business**

- a. Resolution 2020-5 Depositories for Hope Township public monies.  
Motion to approve Resolution 2020-5 by Feldpausch, second by Peake.  
Roll call vote: Yeas: Messelink, Jackson, Peake, Tonlin, Feldpausch. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Resolution 2020-6 Designate Primary Bank Depository.  
Motion to approve Resolution 2020-6 by Tonkin, second by Jackson.  
Roll call vote Yeas: Messelink, Jackson, Peake, Tonlin, Feldpausch. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Resolution 2020-4 Treasurer's Tax Motions.  
Motion to approve Resolution 2020-4 by Messelink, second by Feldpausch.  
Roll call vote Yeas: Messelink, Jackson, Peake, Tonlin, Feldpausch. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Resolution 2020-7 Township Board Meeting schedule 2020-21 fiscal year.  
Motion to approve Resolution 2020-7 by Feldpausch, second by Jackson.  
Roll call vote Yeas: Messelink, Jackson, Peake, Tonlin, Feldpausch. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.
- e. Resolution 2020-3 General Appropriations Act.  
Motion to approve Resolution 2020-3 by Jackson, second by Messelink.

Roll call vote Yeas: Messelink, Jackson, Peake, Tonlin, Feldpausch. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.

- f. Library Grant 2020-21 \$39,600.00.  
Motion to approve \$39,600.00 grant to the library by Tonkin, second by Feldpausch. Roll call vote Yeas: Messelink, Jackson, Peake, Tonlin, Feldpausch. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.
- g. Payment of bills through fiscal year end March 31, 2020.  
Motion to approve payment of bills through March 31, 2020 by Jackson, second by Tonkin. Roll call vote Yeas: Messelink, Jackson, Peake, Tonlin, Feldpausch. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.
- h. Cemetery contract for April 1, 2020 – March 31, 2020 with Garrett Lennon.  
Motion to approve the renewal of the contract with Garrett Lennon by Jackson, second by Feldpausch. Roll call vote Yeas: Messelink, Jackson, Peake, Tonlin, Feldpausch. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.
- i. Board Appointments:  
Zoning Board of Appeals (David Messelink term ending 3/31/2023); Planning Commission (Arlene Tonkin, Doug Peck, Eldon Homister term ending 3/31/2023).  
Motion to re-appoint ZBA member David Messelink by Jackson, second by Feldpausch. All in favor. Motion carried.  
  
Motion to re-appoint Planning Commission members Arlene Tonkin, Doug Peck, Eldon Homister by Messelink, second by Peake. All in favor. Motion carried.
- j. SWBCSA Resolution to approve amendment to articles of incorporation (name change).  
Motion to approve Amendment No. 1 to the Articles of Incorporation by Jackson, second by Feldpasuch.  
Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.  
Motion to approve Amendment No. 2 to the Articles of Incorporation by Jackson, second by Messelink.  
All in favor. Motion carried.
- k. Office closure. Due to the current coronavirus issue the township office/hall will close to the public as of Wednesday, March 18 at 3 p.m. until further notice.  
Motion to approve the temporary closure by Tonkin, second by Jackson.  
Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.

**Additional Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes):** None

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m. Motion to close by Feldpausch, second by Peake. All in favor. Motion carried.

*Deborah Jackson* *Mark Feldpausch*

Deborah Jackson  
Hope Township Clerk

Mark Feldpausch  
Hope Township Supervisor

Date: May 11, 2020

Status (circle one)    Tentative Minutes    Approved Minutes