

HOPE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
August 10, 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.

Members Absent: Matt Peake

Others Present: Terry & Sue Bowyer, J.L. McKelvey, Lisa Shockley-Curtis.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda by Jackson, second by Tonkin. All in favor. Motion carried.

Delton Fire Report: None

County Commission Report: None

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 June 13, 2020 Meeting Minutes
- b. Reports received: Zoning Compliance permits; Building permits; Revenue/Expenditure report; Treasurer report; SWBCSA minutes; Library minutes
- c. Approval of Bills and signatures of Board Members: Deborah Jackson

Motion to approve consent agenda by Messelink, second by Feldpausch. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports/Board Comments:

Supervisor: Feldpausch reported on the following: proposal for a security system to be placed at the recycle bin; a proposal for an upgraded sound system; status of a dangerous building.

Treasurer: Tonkin read report. Report on file.

Clerk: Jackson reported on the election and the Absentee Voting Counting Board.

Trustee(s): Messelink reported the SWBCSA will not have an August meeting.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business**a. Resolution Declaration of Intent-Renewal of Wall Lake Weed Control.**

The Supervisor next reported that the Township Board has received a request to continue the aquatic plant control program on Wall Lake in Hope Township and to reestablish a special assessment district under the authority of Michigan Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended, to finance the program.

Motion was made by Tonkin, seconded by Jackson, and unanimously carried that the Township Board, acting on its own motion, direct that plans be prepared for the proposed aquatic plant control project and that estimates of the cost of the same be prepared. These plans and estimates, which had been prepared in anticipation of the Board's action, were then presented to the Board for consideration. These plans and estimates have been placed on file with the Township Clerk. The total estimated treatment cost for the proposed aquatic plant control project was \$150,000 for the treatment period 2021 through 2025.

Motion was then made by Jackson, seconded by Messelink, and unanimously carried ordering the plans and estimates to be filed with the Township Clerk for public examination.

Motion was then made by Jackson, seconded by Tonkin, to have the Township Board adopt the following Resolution No. 2020-WL1:

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTIONDECLARATION OF INTENT TO MAKE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.TENTATIVE DESIGNATION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING.

WHEREAS, Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended ("Act 188") provides that the Township Board may proceed and exercise the powers granted by Act 188 upon the Township Board's initiative to establish a special assessment district to provide for improvements including an aquatic plant control project; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined that it is in the best interests of Hope Township and of the property owners on and in the vicinity of Wall Lake, including abutting property owners and back lot owners, that an aquatic plant control project be continued on Wall Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined to secure plans and cost estimates for the continuation of an aquatic plant control project for Wall Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined the appropriateness and authority of carrying over any remaining unexpended funds in the existing Wall Lake Aquatic Plant Control Special Assessment District to the newly established special assessment district; and

WHEREAS, Act 188 provides the means to finance the proposed aquatic plant control project improvements,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Township Board, acting on its own motion, does hereby tentatively declare its intent to continue an aquatic plant control program on Wall Lake in Hope Township, Barry County, Michigan.
2. That the Township Board has obtained preliminary plans for the aquatic plant control program on Wall Lake from PLM Lake & Land Management Corp, which plans describe the proposed program and contain an estimate of costs, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A.
3. That said plans shall be filed with the Township Clerk.
4. That the Township Board does hereby tentatively designate the special assessment district known as the WALL LAKE AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2020-1, consisting of certain parcels of land, the descriptions of which are set forth herein and attached hereto as Exhibit B and against which all or a portion of the cost of said improvements shall be assessed.
5. That the Township Board shall hold a public hearing on any objections to the project, the cost estimates, the approval of the carryover of any unexpended (surplus) funds from the existing special assessment district to the WALL LAKE AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2020-1 and the proposed special assessment district on Tuesday, September 29, 2020, at 6:00 pm at a meeting of the Township Board at the Hope Township Hall; and
6. That the Township Clerk be instructed to give the proper notice of such hearing by mailing and publication in accordance with the law and statute provided; and
7. That all Resolutions and parts of Resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of the Resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted:

Yeas: Tonkin, Jackson, Feldpausch, Messelink

Nays: None

Absent: Peake

The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the Resolution duly adopted.

b. Resolution Declaration of Intent SA for Healthy Waters Alliance Weed Control.

The Supervisor next reported that the Township Board has received a request to undertake an aquatic plant control program on Cloverdale Lake, Wilkinson Lake, and Jones (Mud) Lake in Hope Township and to establish a special assessment district under the authority of Michigan Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended, to finance the program.

Motion was made by Feldpausch, seconded by Messelink, and unanimously carried that the Township Board, acting on its own motion, direct that plans be prepared for the proposed aquatic plant control project and that estimates of the cost of the same be prepared. These plans and estimates, which had been prepared in anticipation of the Board's action, were then presented to the Board for consideration. These plans and estimates have been placed on file with the Township Clerk. The Total estimated treatment cost for the proposed aquatic plant control project was \$335, 580 for the treatment period 2021 through 2025.

Motion was then made by Jackson, seconded by Tonkin, and unanimously carried ordering the plans and estimates to be filed with the Township Clerk for public examination.

Motion was then made by Messelink, seconded by Jackson, to have the Township Board adopt the following Resolution No. 2020-HW1

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION

DECLARATION OF INTENT TO MAKE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

TENTATIVE DESIGNATION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended ("Act 188") provides that the Township Board may proceed and exercise the powers granted by Act 188 upon the Township Board's initiative to establish a special assessment district to provide for improvements including an aquatic plant control project; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined that it is in the best interests of Hope Township and of the property owners on and in the vicinity of Cloverdale Lake, Wilkinson Lake, and Jones (Mud) Lake including abutting property owners and back lot owners, that an aquatic plant control project be established on Cloverdale Lake, Wilkinson Lake, and Jones (Mud) Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined to secure plans and cost estimates for the continuation of an aquatic plant control project for Cloverdale lake, Wilkinson Lake, and Jones (Mud) Lake; and

WHEREAS, Act 188 provides the means to finance the proposed aquatic plant control project improvement.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Township Board, acting on its own motion, does hereby tentatively declare its intent to establish an aquatic plant control program on Cloverdale Lake, Wilkinson Lake, and Jones (Mud) Lake in Hope Township, Barry County, Michigan.
2. That the Township Board has obtained preliminary plans for the aquatic plant control program on Cloverdale Lake, Wilkinson Lake, and Jones (Mud) Lake from PLM Lake & Land Management Corp, which plans describe the proposed program and contain an estimate of cost, a copy of which is attached to the Resolution as Exhibit A.
3. That said plans shall be filed with the Township Clerk.
4. That the Township Board does hereby tentatively designate the special assessment district known as the CLOVERDALE, WILKINSON, AND JONES (MUD) LAKES AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2020-2, consisting of certain parcels of land, the descriptions of which are set forth herein and attached hereto as Exhibit B and against which all or a portion of the cost of said improvements shall be assessed.
5. That the Township Board shall hold a public hearing on any objections to the project, the cost estimates, and the proposed special assessment district on Tuesday, September 29, 2020, at 7:00 pm at meeting of the Township Board at the Hope Township Hall; and
6. That the Township Clerk be instructed to give the proper notice of such hearing by mailing and publication in accordance with the law and statute provided; and
7. That all Resolutions and parts of Resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted:

Aye: Tonkin, Jackson, Feldpausch, Messelink

Nay: None

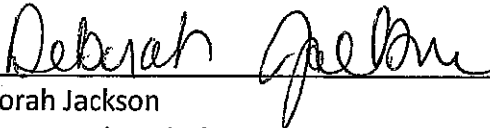
Absent: Peake

The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the Resolution duly adopted.

- c. **Principal payment for CLL sewer.** Motion to approve the additional payment of \$100,000.00 by Tonkin, second by Messelink. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. **Request to BC BOC to appoint Al Gemrich as Township Designee for BC Conservation Easement Board.** Motion to request the appointment to the Barry County Board of Commissioners by Jackson, second by Feldpausch. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Additional Public Comment: Comment was made.

Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m. Motion to close by Tonkin, second by Jackson. All in favor motion carried.



 Deborah Jackson
 Hope Township Clerk



 Mark Feldpausch
 Hope Township Supervisor

Date: Sept 14, 2020
 Status (circle one) Tentative Minutes Approved Minutes