

HOPE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

May 10, 2021

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

Members Present: Doug Peck, Deborah Jackson, Arlene Tonkin, Matt Peake, Junior Homister

Members Absent: None

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

Public Comment: None

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

Delton Fire Report: Perry Shepard read report.

County Commission Report: Dave Jackson read 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 April 12, 2021 meeting minutes
- b. Reports Received: Revenue/Expenditure report; Treasurer report; SWBCSA minutes; Library minutes; Zoning compliance permits
- c. Approval of Bills and signatures of Board Members: Deborah Jackson

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Peake, second by Jackson.

Roll call vote: Yes: Homister, Tonkin, Peake, Jackson, Peck; No: None

All in favor. Motion carried.

Reports/Board Comments:

Supervisor: Consumers Energy inspected the township hall and recommended energy savings solutions; contacted several tree service companies to remove a couple of trees at Hope Township Park and Cedar Creek Cemetery, received one quote; Distributed information to the board members regarding the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds program.

Treasurer: Tonkin read report. Report on file.

Clerk: Technology conversions are complete; Hastings Area Schools will have an election in August; Library meeting tomorrow and the new head librarian is working out well.

Trustee(s): Updated the board on the status of the Veteran's Memorial and the Otis Lake gravel pit. Peake reported on SWBCSA.

Unfinished Business

- a. **Veteran's Memorial.** Homister inquired about the electric poles on the premises and is still seeking volunteers for the project.
- b. **Cedar Creek Cemetery vacant land farming.** Peck will contact Lenny Case regarding a formal contract.

New Business

- a. **Long Lake Weed Treatment Special Assessment request.** Motion to approve the Long Lake Associations request to proceed with the process for a 5 year renewal plan, 2022 through 2026 by Peake, second by Homister.

Roll call vote: Yes: Peake, Jackson, Peck, Homister, Tonkin; No: None

All in favor. Motion carried.

- b. **SWBCSA Resolution Amendment** as follows:

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR SOUTHWEST BARRY COUNTY SEWER AUTHORITY

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Jackson and supported by Member Peake.

WHEREAS Act 233 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1955 ("Act 233") authorizes two (2) or more municipalities to incorporate a Joint Sewer and Water Authority for the purpose of acquiring, owning, improving, enlarging, extending and operating a sewage disposal system, water supply system or a combination of said systems; and

WHEREAS the Townships of Barry, Hope, Johnstown and Prairieville (together, the "Constituent Municipalities") all located in the County of Barry, have incorporated the Southwest Barry County Sewer Authority pursuant to Act 233; and

WHEREAS, consistent with Act 233, Article XVII of the Articles of Incorporation for the Southwest Barry County Sewer Authority states in part the following:

"...amendments may be made to these articles at any time if adopted by the legislative body of each Constituent Municipality of which the Authority is composed. Any such amendment shall be endorsed, published and certified, and printed copies thereof filed in the same manner as the original articles, except that the filed and printed copies shall be certified by the recording officer of the Authority."

WHEREAS proposed Amendment No. 3 to the Articles of Incorporation for the Southwest Barry County Sewer Authority, which reduces the number of Commissioners on the Authority Commission from the present five (5) Commissioners to four (4)

Commissioners by eliminating the "Rotating Commissioner" a copy of which is attached hereto Exhibit A, has been presented to the Township Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Amendment No. 3 to the Articles of Incorporation for the Southwest Barry County Sewer Authority is hereby approved in the form attached to the Resolution as Exhibit A. The fact of the adoption shall be endorsed on Amendment No. 3 to the Articles of Incorporation were indicated by the signatures of the Township Supervisor and Clerk and the Supervisor and Clerk are so directed.
2. Following adoption of Amendment No. 3 to the Articles of Incorporation by all the Constituent Municipalities, Amendment No. 3 shall be published, certified and filed in the manner provided by Paragraph 2 of Amendment No. 3.
3. All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Upon roll call vote the following voted "Aye": Homister, Tonkin, Peck, Peake, Jackson

The following voted "Nay": None

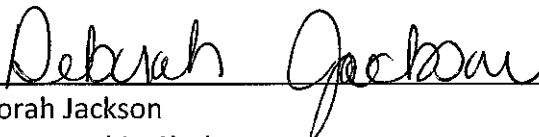
The following were absent: None


RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

- c. **Long Lake Fireworks permit for July 10, 2021.** Motion to approve the permit by Homister, second by Tonkin. All in favor. Motion carried.

Additional Public Comment: No comment.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.


Deborah Jackson
Hope Township Clerk


Doug Peck
Hope Township Supervisor

Date: June 14, 2021

Status (circle one) Tentative Minutes Approved Minutes