

## **HOPE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

### **July 12, 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:** Jim Dull, Kelly Dull, Steve Case, Doug Banfield, Perry Shepard, Brandon Shepard, 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:** 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 14, 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, Peck, Jackson, Peake; No: None

All in favor. Motion carried.

#### **Reports/Board Comments:**

**Supervisor:** Update on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for the township.

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

**Clerk:** The township has received a couple more FOIA requests.

**Trustee(s):** Homister reported the Planning Commission meeting is cancelled this month.

**Unfinished Business**

a. **Veteran's Memorial.**

**New Business**

a. **QuickBooks conversion for Treasurer.** Motion to approve conversion training with Laurie Tamez by Tonkin, second by Homister. All in favor. Motion carried.

b. **Drain Commission Resolution** as follows:

Board member Homister, supported by Board member Peake, moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 2021-14**

**CLOVERDALE DRAIN**

**WHEREAS**, the Cloverdale Drain ("Drain") is a county drain located in Barry Township, Hope Township, and Prairieville Township, Barry County, and established pursuant to the Michigan Drain Code, Public Act 40 of 1956, as amended ("Drain Code"); and

**WHEREAS**, a petition was filed on March 20, 2018, for the maintenance and improvement of the Drain ("Maintenance and Improvement"); and

**WHEREAS**, on May 30, 2018, a Board of Determination found the Maintenance and Improvement of the Drain necessary and conducive to the public health, convenience, or welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the Maintenance and Improvement of the Drain, a portion of the Drain will be constructed within the county road right-of-way for Guernsey Lake Road, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Sections 321 and 74 of the Drain Code, the Barry County Drain Commissioner has obtained a resolution from the Barry County Board of Road Commissioners authorizing the construction of the Drain within the county road right-of-way; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 13 of Public Act 368 of 1925, as amended ("General Highway Law") the Barry County Drain Commissioner must also obtain the consent of the governing body of the city, village or township through or along which lines are to be constructed and maintained.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The Hope Township Board, pursuant to Section 13 of the General Highway Law, hereby authorizes the Barry County Drain Commissioner to construct the Drain within the county road right-of-way for Guernsey Lake Road, located within Hope Township.
2. All resolutions and parts of resolutions are, to the extent of any conflict with this Resolution, rescinded.

**YEAS:** Homister, Tonkin, Peake, Jackson, ~~Peake~~. Peck

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

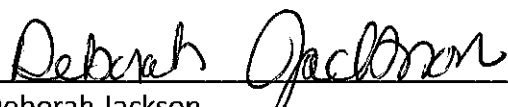
**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

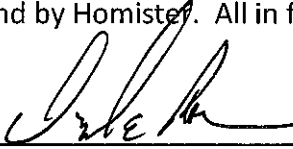
- c. **RFP – open bids and award bids.** Two bids were submitted to the board for the Township Hall Cleaning. Peck read the bids in detail. The lowest bid was from Steve Case in the amount of \$300.00 per month with an additional \$50.00 charge per occurrence if needed. Motion to award bid to Steve Case by Tonkin, second by Peake. Roll call vote: Yes: Homister, Peake, Jackson, Peck, Tonkin; No: None  
All in favor. Motion carried.  
One bid was submitted to the board for the Township Facility & Grounds Maintenance. Steve Case submitted a bid in the amount of \$33,900.00 per year in addition to snowplowing the Township Hall at a rate of \$100.00 per occurrence; Cloverdale Park \$50.00 per occurrence; Brush Ridge Cemetery \$90.00 per occurrence; salt and shoveling at Township Hall \$40.00 per occurrence. Motion to award bid by Homister, second by Tonkin.  
Roll call vote: Yes: Peake, Jackson, Peck, Tonkin, Homister; No: None  
All in favor. Motion carried.
- d. **Bids for mower sale.** Motion to advertise bids for mowers, trailer and gas cabinet in paper by Jackson, second by Homister. All in favor. Motion carried.
- e. **Long Lake Weed Control 5-year plan.** Doug Banfield presented to the board the two proposals for the weed management on Long Lake. Motion to accept the five-year plan from Aquatic Nuisance Plant Control and request the township attorney to prepare the first resolution for the Long Lake Weed Control special meeting by Tonkin, second by Peck.  
Roll call vote: Yes: Peake, Jackson, Homister, Tonkin, Peck; No: None  
All in favor. Motion carried.

Tonkin suggested baby changing stations be installed in the men and women’s restrooms at a cost less than \$1000.00. Motion to approve the expense by Homister, second by Peake. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Additional Public Comment:** None

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:59 p.m. by Peake, second by Homister. All in favor. Motion carried.

  
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 Deborah Jackson  
 Hope Township Clerk

  
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 Doug Peck  
 Hope Township Supervisor

Date: Aug 9, 2021

Status (circle one)    Tentative Minutes    Approved Minutes