

HOPE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
August 8, 2022

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Doug Peck at the Hope Township Hall, 5463 S. M-43 Hwy, Hastings, MI 49058.

Members Present: Arlene Tonkin, Deborah Jackson, Doug Peck, Junior Homister, Chris Lapins

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Perry Shepard, Ronna Lewis, Dave DeHaan, Dave Jackson, Clayton Lawler, Lisa Shockley-Curtis.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Agenda: Jackson made a request to add Walker, Fluke & Sheldon, PLC audit report under 5 (B.) and to add Closed Session under New Business (E.) Motion to approve the amended agenda by Tonkin, seconded by Homister. All in favor. Motion carried

Delton Fire Report: Perry Shepard gave report.

County Commission Report: Dave Jackson gave report.

Walker, Fluke & Sheldon, PLC: Dave DeHaan presented and reviewed the annual audit report with the board members. Hope Township was given a clean and unqualified audit opinion. Discussion was had regarding ARPA funds.

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 needed, it will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.*

- a. Approval of July 11, 2022, regular meeting minutes
- b. Reports received: Revenue/Expenditure report; Treasurer report; Library minutes; Sewer minutes; Zoning compliance permits.
- c. Approval of Bills and signatures of Board Members: Deborah Jackson

Motion to approve consent agenda by Homister, second by Jackson.

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

All in favor. Motion carried.

Reports/Board Comments:

Supervisor: Peck reported he is waiting to hear back from a builder regarding the new addition to the township hall.

Treasurer: Tonkin read report. Report on file.

Clerk: Election went smooth. A total of 376 absentee voters and 512 in person voters. Received a FOIA requesting election information.

Trustee(s): Homister reported the Planning Commission will meet next week. Lapins inquired if the Planning Commission and/or the Zoning Board should review legal lake level high water marks for new construction.

Unfinished Business

A. Veterans Memorial. No update.

New Business

A. Budget Amendment: Increase Road fund by \$100,000 to include transfer from ARPA fund. Increase line item 204-449-930.00 from \$200,000 to \$300,000.

Motion to approve transfer by Jackson, second by Tonkin.

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

All in favor. Motion carried.

B. Water softener & water filter. Board discussed options and decided it is not needed at this time.

C. Refund Doreen Kent \$50 for hall rental. Motion to refund the money by Tonkin, second by Homister.

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

All in favor. Motion carried.

D. Wyoming Asphalt – Oakwood/Elmwood. Motion to pay the Wyoming Asphalt Paving, Inc. \$175,100.00 invoice by Peck, seconded by Homister.

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

All in favor. Motion carried.

E. Closed Session. Peck moved that the Township Board meet in a closed session under Section 8(1)(h) of the Open Meetings Act, pursuant to section 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act, regarding a written legal opinion.

Motion seconded by Jackson.

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

All in favor. Motion carried.

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:16 pm.

Motion by Tonkin to allow the township's attorney and zoning administrator to continue discussions with Guernsey Lake Mobile Home Park owners attorney, seconded by Lapins.

Roll call vote: Yes: Lapins, Jackson, Peck, Tonkin, Homister; No: None
All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. Motion to close by Homister, second by Tonkin.
All in favor. Motion carried.

Deborah Jackson
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Hope Township Clerk

Doug Peck
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Hope Township Supervisor

Date: Sept 12, 2022
Status (circle one) Tentative Minutes Approved Minutes