## HOPE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING August 11, 2025

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

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

Members Absent: Deborah Jackson

Others Present: Perry Shepard, Chad Curtis, Lisa Shockley-Curtis.

Public Comment: No comment.

**Approval of Agenda:** Tonkin requested to remove Clerk comment from the agenda and the addition of ZBA Alternate Appointment to the agenda under New Business (B). Motion to approve the amended agenda by Lapins, seconded by Homister. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Delton Fire Report:** Perry Shepard provided a report.

County Commissioner Report: No 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 matters. If discussion of an item is required, it will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

- a. Approval of July 14, 2025, Regular Meeting minutes
- b. Reports received: Revenue/Expenditure report; Treasurer report; Library minutes; SWBCSA minutes; Zoning compliance permits.
- c. Approval of Bills and signatures of Board Members:

Motion to approve consent agenda by Tonkins, seconded by Homister. Roll call vote: Yes: Lapins, Homister, Tonkin, Peck; No: None; Absent: Jackson All in favor. Motion carried.

## **Reports/Board Comments:**

Supervisor: No comment.

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

**Clerk:** Jackson reported that the Election Commission will meet after the board meeting. Preparations for the August election are underway.

Trustee(s): Homister reported that the August Planning Commission has been cancelled.

## **Unfinished Business**

- **A. Mercy Ambulance.** Peck reported that information about the ambulance services will be presented at the Hastings Fire Barn on Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
- **B. Playground Equipment.** Tonkin requested that the Board seek legal advice to determine if funds may be allocated for the playground.

## **New Business**

- A. Buy Back cemetery lots from Craig Jenkins; 7 Lots x \$35 = \$245.

  Motion to approve the buy back of lots subject to verification of the original purchase by Homister, seconded by Lapins. All in favor. Motion carried.
- B. ZBA Alternate Appointment.

Motion to appoint Christy Tigchelaar to a three-year term by Tonkin, seconded by Homister. All in favor. Motion carried.

Additional Public Comment: Comment was made.

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m. Motion to close by Tonkin, seconded by Homister.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Deborah Jackson

Doug Peck
Hope Township Clerk

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Doug Peck

Approved Minutes

Date: Sept 8,2075

Status (circle one) Tentative Minutes