

**HOPE TOWNSHIP
BARRY COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING
WOODLAND DRIVE ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPE, BARRY COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that as authorized by PA 188 of 1954, as amended, and as a result of petitions from property owners within the Township, signed by the record owners of land constituting more than 50% of the total road frontage of the hereinafter described Woodland Drive Road Improvement Project Special Assessment District for the purpose of removing and repaving all of the Woodland Drive Road surface located in the Hinewood Plat (“Improvement Project”), the Township Board proposes to undertake the Improvement Project through special assessments on the properties within the special assessment district.

The district within which the foregoing Improvement Project is proposed to be undertaken and within which the cost thereof is proposed to be assessed is described as follows:

All lands abutting Woodland Drive located in the Hinewood Plat, as located in Hope Township, Barry County, Michigan and having the following addresses:

<u>Address</u>	<u>Parcel No.</u>
6847 Woodland Dr.	07-130-002-00
6524 Woodland Dr.	07-130-032-00
6851 Woodland Dr.	07-130-003-00
6852 Woodland Dr.	07-130-015-00
6853 Woodland Dr.	07-130-004-00
6853 Woodland Dr.	07-130-013-10
6857 Woodland Dr.	07-130-006-00
6857 Woodland Dr.	07-130-020-00
6859 Woodland Dr.	07-130-007-00
6861 Woodland Dr.	07-130-008-00
6861 Woodland Dr.	07-130-018-00
6863 Woodland Dr.	07-130-009-00
6863 Woodland Dr.	07-130-010-00
6867 Woodland Dr.	07-130-010-00
6868 Woodland Dr.	07-130-001-16
6871 Woodland Dr.	07-130-011-00
6875 Woodland Dr.	07-130-012-00

The Township Board has proposed plans for the Improvement Project in the amount of approximately \$72,000, including administrative and legal costs, and has placed the same on file with the Township Clerk.

The Township Board passed a resolution, tentatively declaring its intention to undertake this Improvement Project and to create the above-described special assessment district at its meeting held on March 16, 2026, at the Township Hall, 5463 S M-43 Hwy, Hastings MI 49058, in the Township, and has found the petitions for the Improvement Project to be in compliance with statutory requirements.

A public hearing on the Improvement Project, the estimate of costs, the special assessment district proposed to be established for the assessment of the costs of such improvement, and any objections to the petitions, will be held at the Hope Township Hall at 5463 S M-43 Hwy, Hastings MI 49058, on **Monday, April 13, 2026 commencing at 6:30 p.m.** in conjunction with a meeting of the Township Board.

At this hearing/meeting the Board will also consider any public comments, and written objections to any of the foregoing matters which are filed with the Board at or prior to the time of the hearing, as well as any corrections or changes to the plans, estimate of costs, or to the proposed special assessment district.

The project plans, estimate of costs, the boundaries of the proposed special assessment district, and the petitions may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk and may further be examined at the public hearing.

If the Township Board determines to create a special assessment district with respect to the proposed project a second public hearing will be held at a later date to be set by the Township Board for the purpose of reviewing and hearing objections to the proposed allocation of the costs of the project among the various properties included in the special assessment district, and appearance and protest at such a second public hearing or as otherwise allowed by 1962 PA 162, as amended, is required in order to preserve a right to appeal the amount of any such special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after the confirmation of a special assessment roll. Formal notice of any such second public hearing will be published in a newspaper and mailed to affected property owners as required by law.

The foregoing hearings and all proceedings associated with these special assessment matters will be conducted in accordance with and pursuant to 1954 PA 188, as amended, the Michigan Open Meetings Act, and any other applicable law.

Hope Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services at the meeting/hearing to individuals with disabilities, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered, upon reasonable notice to the Township. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township Clerk as designated below.

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