

HOPE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

July 13, 2026

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, Deborah Jackson, Doug Peck, Junior Homister, Chris Lapins

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Perry Shepard, Chad Curtis, Dave Jackson, Ronna Lewis, Mary Beth Adyniec, Lisa Shockley-Curtis.

Public Comment: Comment was made.

Approval of the Agenda: Jackson noted the Election Commission will meet following the regular board meeting. Motion to approve the agenda by Homister, seconded by Jackson. All in favor. Motion carried.

Delton Fire Report: Perry Shepard provided a report.

County Commission Report: Dave Jackson provided a 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 of an item is required, it will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.*

- a. Approval of June 8, 2026, Public Hearing & 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: Deborah Jackson

Motion to approve consent agenda by Lapins, seconded by Homister.

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

Reports/Board Comments:

Supervisor: Peck reported on a quote he received for parking lot striping. After discussing the proposed line striping, the Board agreed to accept the quote with modifications to the layout, which should reduce the original \$500.00 quote.

Motion to accept the quote with modifications by Homister, seconded by Jackson. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer: Tonkin provided a report. Report on file.

Clerk: Jackson reported she and the treasurer have been working with the new auditor. She also reported the public accuracy test of the voting equipment will take place this week and absentee ballots are available.

Trustee(s): Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business

New Business

A. 2026-LL-1 Long Lake Weed Control 5-year renewal.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-LL-1

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION

DECLARATION OF INTENT TO MAKE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS
TENTATIVE DESIGNATION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT
AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended (“Act 188”) provides that the Township Board may proceed and exercise the powers granted by Act 188 upon the Township Board’s initiative to establish a special assessment district to provide for improvements including an aquatic plant control project; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined that it is in the best interests of Hope Township and the property owners on and in the vicinity of Long Lake, including abutting property owners and back lot owners, that an aquatic plant control project be continued on Long Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined to secure plans and cost estimates for the continuation of an aquatic plant control project for Long Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined the appropriateness and authority of carrying over any remaining unexpended funds in the existing Long Lake Aquatic Plant Control Special Assessment District to the newly established special assessment district; and

WHEREAS, Act 188 provides the means to finance the proposed aquatic plant control project improvements,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Township Board, acting on its own motion does hereby tentatively declare its

intent to continue an aquatic plant control program on Long Lake in Hope Township, Barry County, Michigan

2. That the Township Board has obtained preliminary plans for the aquatic plant control program on Long Lake from Aquatic Nuisance Control INC, which plans describe the proposed program and contain an estimate of costs, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A.
3. That said plans shall be filed with the Township Clerk.
4. That the Township Board does hereby tentatively designate the special assessment known as the LONG LAKE AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2026-1, consisting of certain parcels of land, the description of which are set forth herein and attached hereto as Exhibit B and against which all or a portion of said improvements shall be assessed.
5. That the Township Board shall hold a public hearing on any objections to the project, the cost estimates, the approval of the carryover of any unexpended (surplus) funds from the existing special assessment district to the LONG LAKE AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2026-1 and the proposed special assessment district on Monday, September 14, 2026, at 6:30 pm at a meeting of the Township Board at the Hope Township Hall; and
6. That the Township Clerk be instructed to give the proper notice of such hearing by mailing and publication in accordance with the law and statute provided; and
7. That all Resolutions of parts of Resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

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

The following voted "Nay:" None

Absent: None

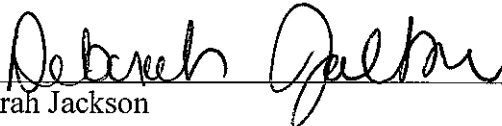
The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the Resolution duly adopted.

B. Addresses for accessory buildings. Board reviewed the letter Zoning Administrator, Nathan Mehmed drafted to send to Barry County Planning & Zoning requesting they assign addresses to vacant parcels when needed in Hope Township. Motion to approve the letter with a modification by Tonkin, seconded by Jackson. All in favor. Motion carried.

Additional Public Comment: Comment was made.

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m. Motion to close by Homister, seconded by Tonkin.

All in favor. Motion carried.


Deborah Jackson
Hope Township Clerk


Doug Peck
Hope Township Supervisor

Date: Sept 14, 2028

Status (circle one) Tentative Minutes

Approved Minutes)