

**HOPE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 14, 2017-7:00 P.M.
HOPE TOWNSHIP HALL**

BOARD MEMBERS:

**ANDY KOBISA, SUPERVISOR
JOANN WILKIE, CLERK
STARLEEN EDDY, TREASURER
MARY LETTS, TRUSTEE
BOB DAVIS, TRUSTEE**

VISITORS

List with Clerk's copy

CALL TO ORDER:

The supervisor lead those present to the pledge to the flag.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

NO BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

CLERK'S MINUTES:

The clerk's minutes had been disbursed earlier. It was moved by Starleen and supported by Mary to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT:

The financial report from Oct. 31, 2017 was received.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

It was moved by Bob and seconded by Starleen to pay the bills. A roll call vote was called-

Starleen yes Bob yes Mary yes JOaNN YES Andy yes

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE DEPT.:

There was a total of 14 runs for October. They were Medical-06, Public Assist-01, Fire-02 and Down Power Line-05. Our Fire Chief, John Reisig turned in his resignation as fire chief effective Dec. 07, 2017. John has done an excellent job and our Township Board is sad to see him go. He will remain on the fire department as a fireman. Cliff Blake updated the board of the events they have participated in. The Fire Dept. "Open House" was a huge success, there was almost 50 people there and we hope it is an inspiration to have more firemen help. The Meridian High School invited the fire dept. to participate in their "trunk or treat", was a nice way to show off our department. One fireman donated \$50.00 of candy to pass out there. The Fire Dept. headed up the first annual "chili cook off. It was well attended and next year our dept. will have at least two chilies' in the entrants. The silent auction raised \$2,750.00 for the Secret Santa program. The Fire Dept. did an excellent job of controlling traffic for the annual "Hope Township Trunk or Treat." There was between 250 to 300 kids there not including parents, venders and people handing out candy. Andy moved to accept John Reisigs letter of resignation and Bob seconded it. Motion carried. Andy then moved to appoint Brian Solomon as the new fire chief. Bob seconded and motion carried.

PARK COMMISSION:

The park will be closed Nov. 12, 2017. Starla reported she is waiting to hear back from one grant to help finance the new handicapped bathrooms. They should be letting them know very shortly. The Park has obtained one grant to help finance the bathrooms. The next meeting will be in Mar. of 2018.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The planning commission met with Rodney Nanny on Nov. 1, 2017. They worked on the nuisance ordinance. It was put back together with the noise and blight ordinance. There will be a notice published in the paper and then 30 days later it will be in effect.

CEMETERY/CHAPEL COMMISSION:

The cemetery is cleaned up of old flowers, wreaths and litter for the winter. Brett has all the graves taken care of and dirt leveled off. Clerk will remind Brett of snow fence needed to be put up.

TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

The last meeting was Oct. 26. There are six new houses being built in Hope this year. One is a replacement of a burned out home. November 16, is the next meeting. The date was changed because of Thanksgiving.

WIXOM LAKE AUTHORITY :

They are done for this season. They will meet in the spring to decide what needs to be done.

ROAD ADVISARY COMMISSION:

Nothing new, no meeting scheduled.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

No business to be brought before the board.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Resolution to approve the Updated Master Plan, the Planning Commission recommended. This will be published in the paper and 30 days after will go into effect. Andy moved to adopt the Ordinance and Starleen supported. A roll call vote was called-
Andy yes Mary yes JoAnn yes Starleen yes Bob yes
- 2) Marsh's request for 3 parcels' to be put in PA116. Andy is following up on the paper work and communication with Mrs. Marsh.
- 3) Bob moved and Starleen seconded the motion to pay for expenses for the MCTOA dinner/meeting. It will be held at Valley Plaza on 11/30/2017. Cost is \$30. apiece.
- 4) A bid was received from Howden's concerning the snow plowing for the Firehall, townhall and cemetery. The bid was less than last year's cost. The cost quoted was-\$35.00 -fire hall, \$25.00 for salting (if needed), Cemetery-\$75.00, Town hall-\$55.00, \$25.00 for salt.

Mary moved to adjourn and Starleen supported at 8:05 P>M>

Hope Township Clerk
JoAnn Wilkie