

Hope Township Board Meeting

June 12, 2007

Mike Kressler - Supervisor

Joe Lunsford - Treasurer

JoAnn Wilkie – Clerk

Bob Davis – Trustee

Elgin Childs - Trustee

CALL TO ORDER

The Supervisor called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

BUSINESS FROM FLOOR:

Supervisor reviewed the new budget and line item amounts for residents present. The new salary amounts were reviewed. at 7:25p.m. the public hearing was closed.

CLERK’S MINUTES:

Minutes from May 8, 2007 were dispensed earlier. Bob moved and Elgin seconded to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Treasurer gave financial report and it was moved by Elgin and seconded by Bob to accept the report. Motion carried.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

A list of the outstanding bills had been dispersed earlier. Elgin moved to pay bills and Bob seconded. A roll call vote was called:

| BOARD MEMBER | YES | NO |
|--------------|-----|----|
| JOE | ✓ | |
| ELGIN | ✓ | |
| BOB | ✓ | |
| JOANN | ✓ | |
| MIKE | ✓ | |

DEPARTMENT REPORT

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

6 runs for May. The Fire Department held a spaghetti dinner for the John Payne family. Their house was destroyed by fire. Was a good turn out and the Fire Department donated spaghetti that was left to places that would see people with needs would benefit from it.

The water line from the pump house to fire hall needs replacing. Supervisor will contact Ron Witte concerning replacing line. Don and Diane Dice are repairing and painting the well house. It was moved by Joe and seconded by Bob to spend up to \$14,400 on the following items:

- 2 minitors @ \$450 each
- Air packs for a total of \$13, 900
- Petty cash - \$500.00

A roll call vote was called:

| BOARD MEMBER | YES | NO |
|--------------|-----|----|
| JOE | ✓ | |
| ELGIN | ✓ | |
| BOB | ✓ | |
| JOANN | ✓ | |
| MIKE | ✓ | |

Jim will be having surgery and will be down for six weeks. John Reisig will be acting chief until Jim returns. The parking lot was discussed and decided it would be helpful to put one car garage there for extra storage for Fire Department. DOT has certified the Fire Department's trucks.

PARK COMMISSION:

There was not a quarum so Mary and Lori met and checked on items for Hope picnic. Pat Taylor has resigned from park. Mary had sample to take to Staples for picnic notices. They will be put in with tax notices. The wood chips are still at park. Anyone wanting chips for free are welcome to get some. It was decided that some new railroad ties are needed for around parking lot.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Will meet on August 1, 2007. The keyhole policy will be discussed. Other townships already have a policy in place. Commission has a sample from one of the townships.

WATER DISTRIBUTION:

A special meeting will be called to divide the \$365,000.00 between the townships. Supervisor would like a better honest cost to present to residents. The water board is planning a meeting to discuss a cost estimate.

CHAPEL COMMITTEE:

The chapel committee met on May 22, 2007. It was decided a lot of repair work was needed. Plans to have brushes and trees stumps removed was decided on and to check with three contractors for bids to create a new section in the cemetery. Painting of the outside and inside stairs, door framing and under pavilion roof need done. A fence between park and cemetery was discussed and Wilbur will look into cost and installation of it. Bob moved to use up to \$3,000.00 for fence, Elgin seconded and motion carried.

TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

Meeting was held May 21, 2007. Ed Gannon has stated he will help out the Code Authority for six weeks. There is \$16,638.37 in savings and \$4,723.04 in checking. Next meeting is June 25 at 6:30pm in county building.

WIXOM LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD REPORT:

No meeting.

TOWNSHIP ROAD ADVISORY COMMISSION:

No meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET

Whereas the budget for 2006-2007 in some instances has changed the budgeted amounts. A resolution amending the budget was moved by Bob Davis and seconded by Elgin Childs. A roll call vote was polled and all voted "aye".

NEW BUSINESS

Starleen Heath is becoming the new deputy treasurer, with the possibility of Joe's home being sold. It is probable that a new treasurer will need to be ready to step in. Summer taxes are going to be collected starting in July and Starleen can start there with getting the needed experience. Andy Kobisa has become supervisor's new deputy. Joann will do the oath of office for them. Bob moved to pay Starleen \$200.00 per month for support assistance to Joe for the months of July and August. Motion carried.

A street light at the corner of Middle and Saiko roads was moved by Bob and seconded by Elgin. Motion carried. Supervisor will contact Consumer's.

Elgin moved that all interested persons that can attend the zoning meeting at Frankenmuth on July 31, be paid for expenses. Joe seconded and motion carried.

Meeting closed at 9:24pm.

MEETING FOR ADOPTING 2007-2008 BUDGET

Meeting opened at 9:30pm.

SALARY RESOLUTION FOR 2007-2008

The salary increases were set at 3% from present salaries. It was moved by Elgin and seconded by Bob to adopt the foregoing resolution. A roll call vote was polled and all voted "aye". No nays.

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT 2007-2008 BUDGET

Bob made a motion to adopt the budget as presented and Elgin supported. A roll call vote was polled. All voted "aye" and no one voted "nay". Budget adopted.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm

JoAnn Wilkie
Hope Township Clerk