

Hope Township Board Meeting

April 8, 2008

Mike Kressler - Supervisor

Joe Lunsford - Treasurer

JoAnn Wilkie – Clerk

Bob Davis – Trustee

Elgin Childs - Trustee

HOPE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
HOPE TOWNSHIP FIRE HALL
APRIL 8, 2008—7:00PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
SUPERVISOR

MIKE KRESSLER,

JOANN WILKIE, CLERK
JOE LUNSFORD, TREASURER
BOB DAVIS, TRUSTEE
ELGIN CHILDS, TRUSTEE

VISITORS:
CLERK'S

LIST ATTACHED TO

CALL TO ORDER:

THE SUPERVISOR CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER BY LEADING THOSE PRESENT TO THE PLEDGE TO THE FLAG.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

CHARLOTTE ELMORE WAS PRESENT TO INQUIRE WHAT COULD BE DONE ABOUT THE BURNED OUT PROPERTY ON SHEARER ROAD. IT HAS BEEN OVER A YEAR AND IS A HEALTH HAZARD. THE BOARD IS IN SYMPATHY WITH HER AND IS PRESENTLY SEEKING ADVICE FROM OUR ATTORNEY TO GET THE AREA TAKEN CARE OF. THE TOWNSHIP HAS TO GO WITHIN THE LEGAL LIMITS OF GETTING THE AREA CLEANED UP. THE SUPERVISOR WILL CONTINUE TO OBTAIN THE LEGAL ROUTE FROM OUR ATTORNEY FOR BOTH SHEARER AND BOMBAY ROADS.

JUDGE MIKE BEALE WAS PRESENT TO INTRODUCE HIMSELF AS HE IS RUNNING AS INCUMBENT FOR JUDGE FOR MIDLAND COUNTY. HE

EXPLAINED SOME OF THE CASES THEY DELIVER OVER. JUDGE BEALE ANSWERED QUESTIONS FROM AUDIENCE.

CLERK'S MINUTES:

MARCH'S MINUTES WERE DISTRIBUTED EARLIER. ELGIN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND BOB SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

FINANCIAL REPORT WAS DISPERSED EARLIER. JOE EXPLAINED THE REAL PROPERTY TAX WAS ALSO TURNED OVER TO COUNTY. THERE WERE SEVERAL THAT WERE QUITE OLD AND NEEDED TO BE DECIDED ON. NORTHERN LEASING, INC., SEA BISCUIT AND VAN'S POLE BUILDINGS. ALSO, PITSEY'S POLES-\$98. JOE MOVED TO REMOVE THEM FROM TAXES DUE AND BOB SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

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ELGIN MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT AND BOB SECONDED IT. MOTION CARRIED.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

A LIST OF THE OUTSTANDING BILLS FOR APRIL WAS ATTACHED TO THE MINUTES. ELGIN MOVED TO PAY BILLS AND BOB SECONDED. A ROLL CALL WAS POLLED-

JOE YES MIKE YES BOB YES ELGIN YES JOANN YES

FIRE DEPT:

FIRE CHIEF REPORTED 4 RUNS IN MARCH. 3 MEDICAL AND ONE GOOD INTENT. CIRCLE K IS PROVIDING ADDITIONAL TRAINING FOR THE FIRE DEPT. THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS ARE APPLYING FOR GRANTS TO THE AREA FOUNDATIONS FOR FUNDING TO REPLACE ARIAL DEFIBRILLATORS. IT WOULD COST \$2500.00 TO REPLACE. THE THERMAL IMAGING CAMERA HAS BEEN DEFECTIVE FOR A MONTH. IT IS TWO YEARS OLD. IT WOULD COST \$200.00 TO REPAIR THE OLD ONE, FIRE CHIEF WILL DECIDE IF IT IS WISER TO GO WITH NEWER ONE.

TOWNSHIP WELL:

THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT HAS INSPECTED THE WELL THAT SERVES THE TOWNHALL AND FIRE DEPT. THERE ARE SEVERAL ITEMS THAT ARE NOT UP TO THE HEALTH DEPT'S REQUESTS. TOWNSHIP HAS UNTIL SEPT. TO REPAIR OR CLOSE UP WELL. SUPERVISOR WILL CONTACT DAN'S WELL CO. TO SEE ABOUT THE COST. HE HAS THE LIST TO BRING WELL UP TO CODES.

PARK COMMISSION:

KAREN DAVIS HAS BEEN DILIGENTLY WORKING ON GRANT FORMS TO GET IN BY APRIL 14, 2008. SEVERAL PEOPLE MET AT PARK AND MEASURED OUT THE FOOTAGE FOR THE PROPOSED WALK AROUND THE PARK. THE FOOTAGE WOULD BE 3100 FEET. PARK IS GETTING READY FOR THE APRIL 15 OPENING. WATER NEEDS TO BE TURNED ON. IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT TOM CLARK HAS DONE IT PREVIOUSLY AND WOULD HELP IF NEEDED. JIM HAS CHECKED INTO REPLACING THE OLD (18 YRS) FLAIL MOWER. THE COST WOULD BE \$2799.00. JOE MOVED TO PURCHASE NEW MOWER AND BOB SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

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PLANNING COMMISSION:

BOB HAD A BROCHURE FOR TRAINING FOR PLANNING COMM. CLERK NEEDS TO CHECK WITH DIANE, MIKE B., MARK S., MARGE K. BOB PLANS ON ATTENDING. ANDY KOBISA WILL LET CLERK KNOW CONCERNING MARGE AND HIM. A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD CONCERNING THE RV RULES AT THE NEXT MEETING. DIANE WILL PUT IN PAPER.

WATER DIST.:

SUPERVISOR WOULD LIKE TO GET BETTER IDEA OF THE COST TO HOME OWNERS FOR THE WATER LINE BEFORE GOING DOOR TO DOOR WITH PETITIONS. BOARD AGREED.

CHAPEL:

ELGIN WILL GET GRASS SEED AND FERTILIZER TO PLANT NEW AREA.

TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

TCA IS SEEING ABOUT GETTING AN AUDIT DONE. BURNSIDE AND LANG HAVE GAVE A BID OF \$3800.00. THEY ARE DECIDING WHAT TO DO WITH OLD RECORDS THAT STILL NEED TO BE KEPT. IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT TCA CHECK TO SEE IF THE COUNTY BUILDING HAD STORAGE FOR RENT IN BASEMENT OR THIRD FLOOR. NEXT MEETING WILL BE APRIL 28, 2008 AT 5:00PM.

WIXOM LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD REPORT:

NO MEETING. SUPERVISOR HAS TRIED TO NOTIFY ED BRIGGS THAT HE IS STILL ON WATER BOARD. HE HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO CONTACT HIM YET.

ROAD ADVISORY COMMISSION:

NEXT MEETING IS APRIL 24, 2008. 7:00PM AT TOWNSHIP HALL.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

MTA SPRING MEETING IS MAY 19, 2008 AT MT. PLEASANT. THE OLD HOLIDAY INN IS THE LOCATION. MIKE, BOB AND ANDY WILL NOTIFY CLERK FOR SURE IF ATTENDING.

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THE TOWNSHIP BUDGET WORKSHOP IS SET FOR MAY 15 AT 6:30PM AT TOWNHALL.

JOE SUGGESTED IT IS TIME TO SEND OUT A NEWSLETTER AGAIN.
LET JOE KNOW IF THERE IS SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED.

TIRE COLLECTION:

THE SUPERVISOR WILL PARK HIS TRAILER AT FIRE DEPT ON MAY
10, 2008 FROM

8:00AM----12:00PM

TO COLLECT OLD TIRES FOR RECYCLING. IF THERE IS A WHEEL
ATTACHED A ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00) WILL BE CHARGED.

**THE TIRE COLLECTION FOR COUNTY WILL BE HELD ON
MAY 17, 2008 FROM:**

**9:00AM UNTIL 12:00PM THE LOCATION TO BE
2210 W. PINE RIVER ROAD IN PORTER TOWNSHIP
PHONE # 989-631-1668 TO RESERVE SPACE**

BOB MOVED TO ADJOURN. 9:00PM.

HOPE TOWNSHIP CLERK
JOANN WILKIE