

Hope Township Board Meeting

October 14, 2008

Mike Kressler - Supervisor

Joe Lunsford - Treasurer

JoAnn Wilkie – Clerk

Bob Davis – Trustee

Elgin Childs - Trustee

HOPE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER 14, 2008, 7:00PM

HOPE TOWNSHIP HALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

JOANN WILKIE, CLERK
STARLA JORDIN (DEPUTY

TREASURER)

ELGIN CHILDS, TRUSTEE
BOB DAVIS, TRUSTEE
ANDY KOBISA, SUPERVISOR (SWORN

IN @7:10)

CALL TO ORDER:

THE CLERK CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER BY LEADING THE PLEDGE TO FLAG. A MOMENT OF REFLECTION WAS HELD IN MIKE KRESSLER'S MEMORY. IT WAS NOTED THAT THE TREAS., STARLEEN HEATH HAD BEEN IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT AND COULD NOT ATTEND THE MEETING.

THE FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS WAS NOMINATING AN INTERIM SUPERVISOR, WHICH HOLD THE POSITION UNTIL THE GENERAL ELECTION. ELGIN NOMINATED ANDY KOBISA, THE DEPUTY SUPERVISOR, AS SUPERVISOR. BOB SECONDED. NO OTHER NOMINATIONS WERE BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD. THE MOTION FOR ANDY KOBISA AS SUPERVISOR CARRIED.

ANDY TOOK SUPERVISOR POSITION AND CONDUCTED THE BUSINESS FOR MEETING.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

RUDY TURK REPORTED THAT A TUBE IS IN THE ROAD THAT IS CAUSING THE WATER PROBLEM. GENE SMITH HAS LOOKED INTO THE SITUATION AND WILL INQUIRE WHAT THE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION CAN DO. THEY WILL REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD.

TINA BURGER HAS QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE PAYMENT THE TOWNSHIP WOULD BE MAKING TO CONSTRUCT THE LARGER WATER LINE COMING OUT OF MIDLAND. THERE IS \$8,000.00 IN THE WATER

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FUND, THAT CAME FROM THE GRANT, THAT CAN ONLY BE USED TOWARDS THE WATER LINE ENHANCEMENT. THE REST OF THE \$21,000.00, MAKING \$13,000.00 THAT WOULD COME FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND FOR THIS YEAR. NEXT

YEAR'S BUDGET WOULD INCLUDE THE PAYMENT OF \$21,000.00 TO BE INCLUDED IN THE WATER BUDGET. IF IN TIME, THERE WAS NOT ENOUGH INTEREST IN THE WATER, HOPE'S SHARE COULD BE SOLD TO OTHER TOWNSHIPS.

CLERK'S MINUTES:

THE MINUTES FROM THE SEPT. 08 MEETING HAD BEEN DISPERSED EARLIER. BOB MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND ELGIN SECONDED IT. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

THE LIST HAD BEEN ATTACHED TO THE CLERK'S MINUTES EARLIER. ELGIN MOVED TO PAY BILLS AND ANDY SECONDED IT- A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS POLLED-

ELGIN YES ANDY YES BOB YES JOANN YES STARLEEN ABSEN

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE DEPT:

THERE WAS TWO RUNS IN SEPTEMBER, BOTH MEDICAL. 921 LEAKED OIL, (THE NEW FIRE TRUCK), AND HAD TO BE REPAIRED BY CIRCLE K. THE WARRANTY IS ON AND SO NO CHARGE WAS MADE TO FIRE DEPT. OCT. 25 IS FIRE DEPT.'S APPRECIATION DINNER. 6:00PM AT FIRE STATION. ALL BOARD MEMBERS AND SPOUSES ARE INVITED.

PARK COMMISSION:

THE MEMORIALS FOR MIKE KRESSLER WERE SUGGESTED TO GO TO THE HOPE TOWNSHIP PARK. THERE HAS BEEN \$585.00 TURNED IN SO FAR. TWO CEDAR TREES WERE DONATED AND HAVE BEEN PLANTED BY PARK ENTRANCE IN MIKE'S MEMORY. THE PARK BOARD HAS

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SUGGESTED A LARGE BOULDER ALSO IN MIKE'S MEMORY. ANDY AND BOB WILL CHECK WITH FISHER SAND AND GRAVEL. THE WALKWAY SHOULD HOPEFULLY BE DONE WITHIN THE NEXT THREE WEEKS. MARK MUSSELMAN HAS A ROTA-TILLER ATTACHED TO HIS TRACTOR, ANDY WILL CHECK TO SEE IF TOWNSHIP COULD BORROW IT OR MARK WOULD BE WILLING TO DO IT.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

AT THE OCT. 1, 2008 MEETING THERE WERE ONLY TWO MEMBERS PRESENT. NOT ENOUGH FOR A QUORUM. ELGIN MOVED TO PAY MARGE KOBISA AND BOB DAVIS FOR BEING THERE. ANDY SECONDED AND MOTION CARRIED.

JOANN MADE THE MOTION TO APPOINT MIKE BRALEY, MARGE KOBISA AND DIANE VAUGHN TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION. ELGIN SECONDED AND MOTION CARRIED. THEY WILL BE SWORN IN AT THEIR NEXT MEETING FOR THE STAGGERING YEARS OF 1, 2 AND 3 YEARS TO COMPLY WITH STATE RULES.

WATER DIST.:

LINCOLN OVER ESTIMATED 180 RU'S SO THE COST HAD TO BE READJUSTED BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIPS.

IT WAS MOVED BY JOANN TO SIGN THE CONTRACT TO PAY HOPE TOWNSHIP'S COST OF THE WATERLINE ENLARGEMENT. IT WAS SECONDED BY BOB AND A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS POLLED-

BOB YES ELGIN NO JOANN YES ANDY YES STARLEEN ABSEN

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RESOLUTION TO AMEND ARTICLES

IT WAS MOVED BY BOB AND SECONDED BY JOANN TO SIGN THE AMENDED ARTICLES THAT ALLOWS SOMEONE OTHER THAN JUST THE SUPERVISOR TO REPRESENT THE TOWNSHIP TO BE ON THE DISTRICT #1 BOARD- A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS CALLED-

JOANN YES BOB YES ELGIN NO ANDY YES STARLEEN ABSEN

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CHAPEL/CEMETERY:

WILBUR HAVENS REPORTED THE FENCE IS FINISHED TO THE NEW DRIVEWAY. THANKS TO FOLLOWING PEOPLE-WILBUR HAVENS, DOUG SHOFFNER, ANDY KOBISA, DON DICE AND BOB DAVIS. WILBUR WILL TAKE CARE OF WINTERIZING THE CHAPEL AND PUTTING LIGHT IN WINDOW IN CASE FURNACE GOES OUT.

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TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

OCTOBER 27 IS NEXT MEETING.

WIXOM LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD REPORT:

NO REPORT.

TOWNSHIP ROAD ADVISORY REPORT:

ELGIN CHILDS AND POSSIBLY JODY JODIN MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN BEING ON ROAD COMMISSION. ANDY WILL CHECK INTO. THE WATER DRAINAGE PROBLEM ON BAKER ROAD IS HOLDING UP PROJECT. NEXT MEETING IS NOV. 20.

COMMISSION MEMBERS ARE-JIM HOCKAMEYER, DENNIS GUETHRE AND MATT SMITH.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

BOB MADE THE MOTION TO USE THE FOAM INSULATION AT TOWNSHIP HALL. IT WAS SECONDED BY ELGIN AND MOTION CARRIED.

THERE IS A PLANNING MEETING AT THE HOMER TRAINING FACILITY ON NOV. 6, 2008 AT 6:30. MARGE, ANDY AND BOB INTEND ON ATTENDING.

ELGIN MOVED FOR THE TOWNSHIP TO PURCHASE A NEW WHEELED BALLOT SUPPLY BAG. JOANN SECONDED AND MOTION CARRIED.

BLIGHT SITUATION:

ANDY WILL TALK TO LAWYER FOR CORRECT WORDING TO PLACE COST OF REMOVING BURNED HOUSE ON SHEARER ROAD TO THEIR PROPERTY DEED. ALSO, WILL CHECK ON CORRECT PROCEDURE FOR BLIGHT ON BOMBAY ROAD TO BE REMOVED.

THERE IS A VACANCY ON THE WATER BOARD, BOARD OF REVIEW AND PLANNING COMMISSION. BOARD MEMBERS WILL CHECK TO BRING BACK NAMES OF POSSIBILITIES.

BOB MADE THE MOTION THAT NEW MEMBERS COMING ON THE WATER BOARD SHOULD BE FULL TIME RESIDENTS TO BE ABLE TO ATTEND MEETINGS. ELGIN SECONDED IT AND MOTION CARRIED.

8:55PM ADJOURNED.
HOPE TOWNSHIP CLERK