

# Hope Township Board Meeting

April 14, 2009

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Andy Kobisa - Supervisor

Starleen Heath - Treasurer

JoAnn Wilkie – Clerk

Bob Davis – Trustee

Mary Jo Letts - Trustee

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HOPE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 14, 2009, 7:00PM  
HOPE TOWNSHIP FIRE HALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:  
SUPERVISOR

ANDY KOBISA,

CLERK

JOANN WILKIE,

TREASURER

STARLEEN HEATH,

TRUSTEE

BOB DAVIS, TRUSTEE

VISITORS:

MARY JO LETTS,

CLERK'S MINUTES

LIST ATTACHED TO

## CALL TO ORDER:

THE SUPERVISOR CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00PM BY LEADING THOSE PRESENT TO THE PLEDGE TO THE FLAG.

## BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

RUDY TURK WAS PRESENT AND INFORMED BOARD THE FLOODING CONDITION AT HIS PLACE HAD NOT BEEN TAKEN CARE OF. THE COUNTY ROAD COMM. HAD STATED THEY HAD AN IDEA TO HELP RID THE STANDING WATER BUT NOTHING HAS COME OF IT. SUPERVISOR WILL CHECK BACK WITH RD. COMM. AND GET BACK WITH RUDY.

## CLERK'S MINUTES:

THE MINUTES FROM THE MAR. 10, 2009 MEETING HAD BEEN DISPERSED EARLIER. IT WAS MOVED BY BOB AND SECONDED BY MARY JO TO APPROVE THE MINUTES WITH THE CORRECTION OF THE PARK WILL BE USING WOOD SLIDING DOORS. MOTION CARRIED.

## TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT:

IT WAS MOVED BY MARY AND SECONDED BY BOB TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF MARCH 31, 2009. THE MOTION CARRIED.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

THE OUTSTANDING BILLS LIST HAD BEEN DISTRIBUTED EARLIER. IT WAS MOVED BY BOB AND SECONDED BY STARLEEN TO PAY THE BILLS. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS POLLED-

BOB YES STARLEEN YES MARY JO YES JOANN YES ANDY YES

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE CHIEF WAS ABSENT BUT SENT THANK YOU'S FOR SUPPORT DURING TIME OF LOSS OF HIS FATHER. THERE WAS A GRASS FIRE BEHIND HOUSE ON BOMBAY ROAD. FIRE CHIEF REPORTED BY PHONE-4/20/09:9 RUNS IN

MARCH, 8 MEDICAL AND 1 MUTUAL

RUN FOR A STRUCTURAL FIRE WITH EDENVILLE FIRE DEPT. OUR INSURANCE CO. COMPLETED A CHECK OVER FOR RISK MANAGEMENT CONCERNING THE FIRE DEPT.'S POLICIES AND DRIVER'S LICENSE OF PEOPLE WHO WOULD BE DRIVING FIRE TRUCKS. FIRE CHIEF IS LOOKING INTO REQUESTS. BUDGET FOR 2009-2010 WILL BE COMING UP SOON.

PARK REPORT:

BIDS FOR NEW GATE HAVE BEEN OBTAINED. PARK MEMBERS ARE WORKING ON SIGN TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE GRANT MONEY FROM FOUNDATIONS FOR THE WALKWAY AND NEW BUILDING. ALSO NEED SIGN TO STATE NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES ON WALKWAY. THE BOARDWALK WITH MEMORIAL NAMES HAS BEEN CURLING UP ON THE ENDS OF THE BOARDS. PARK MEMBERS HAVE DECIDED TO PUT NAMES ON SIDE OF BUILDING AND REPLACE WALKWAY WITH CEMENT.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

RUDY AND BOB ATTENDED THE SEMINAR IN MT. PLEASANT. THEY FELT IT WAS GEARED MORE TO HEAVIER POPULATED AREAS. MAY 6 IS THE NEXT PLANNING COMM. MEETING AT TOWN HALL.

WATER DIST:

THE PETITION LANGUAGE HAS BEEN TENTATIVELY APPROVED BY TOWNSHIP WATER BOARD NOW IT NEEDS TO GO TO OUR LAWYER TO BE REVIEWED. THEN THE DOOR-TO-DOOR AND MAIL (FOR THOSE WHO OWN PROPERTY IN HOPE TWP. BUT LIVE ELSE WHERE) SURVEYS WILL BEGIN. THE COUNTY NEEDS TO MAKE A COMMITMENT TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR PART OF THE COST FOR THE NEW MAIN LINE EXPANSION PROJECT. THEY HAVE MET ONCE BUT DID NOT COMMIT TO THEIR FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

CHAPEL/CEMETERY:

BOB MOVED TO CHANGE THE PRICE FOR A FOUNDATION POURED FROM THE PRESENT OF \$.40 FOR A SQ. INCH TO \$.45 PER SQ. INCH. MARY SECONDED THE MOTION AND A ROLL CALL WAS CALLED-

STARLEEN YES BOB YES MARY JO YES JOANN YES ANDY YES

TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

A PERMIT FOR SHEARER RD. AND MAXWELL ROAD WERE DRAWN FOR HOPE TWP. MAXWELL ROAD IS FOR THE TOWER. FINANCIAL BALANCE IS \$41338.58. APRIL 27 IS NEXT TCA MEETING @5:00PM.

WIXOM LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD REPORT:

NO REPORT YET.

HOPE TWP. ROAD ADVISORY COMMISSION REPORT:

FOUR PEOPLE FROM MIDLAND COUNTY RD. COMM. AND JIM HOCKAMEYER MET WITH SUPERVISOR, PERTAINING TO THE BAD CONDITION OF E. CURTIS ROAD OFF OF MIDDLE ROAD. THE FIRST MILE HAS BROKEN UP WITH DIRT SHOWING THRU THE ASPHALT. THE CITY HAS PUT REPAIRS OF \$11, 00.00 FIRST YEAR, \$6,000.00 NEXT YEAR AND AT LEAST ANOTHER \$5,000.00 WOULD HAVE TO BE PUT ON THIS YEAR. DEPAK REVIEWED HIS FIGURES AND SAID THEY WERE HIGHER THAN LAST FALL WHEN HE GAVE THE COSTS TO JIM. BECAUSE OF THE SITUATION HE WOULD HONOR THE FORMER FIGURE OF \$155687.00. THERE WAS \$25225.00 CARRY OVER FROM LAST YEAR AND THE COUNTY WILL PUT IN \$37572.00. THAT WOULD LEAVE \$92890.00 LEFT TO PAY FROM ROAD MONEY THIS YEAR. THERE WILL BE A TWP. ROAD COMM. MEETING ON APRIL 23 @7:00PM TO DECIDE WHETHER TO CONTINUE WITH THE TWO OTHER ½ MILES OF ASPHALT OR DO SOMETHING WITH E. CURTIS RD. THE ROADS WERE ½ MILE OF STARK RD., AND MIDLAND/GLADWIN CITY LINE RD.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

PAYNE'S PROPERTY HAS GONE INTO BACK TAXES SALE FROM COUNTY. AT THIS POINT THE COUNTY WILL CHECK WITH TWP., STATE AND SO FORTH BEFORE BEING SOLD FOR BACK TAXES. TOWNSHIP DOES NOT WANT IT. THE BACK TAXES PLUS THE CLEANUP COST WILL BE ADDED TO SALE OF PROPERTY.

NEW BUSINESS:

DISTRICT 13 MEETING AT VALLEY PLAZA ON MAY 27- BOB MOVED AND STARLEEN SECONDED TO PAY EXPENSES FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE ATTENDING THE DISTRICT MEETING. MOTION CARRIED. THOSE ATTENDING ARE- ANDY, BOB, RUDY, JOANN, MARGE, ANN AND MARY JO.

- 1) IT WAS MOVED BY STARLEEN AND SECONDED BY BOB TO PAY RON THOMPSON FOR UPDATING THE WEBSITE SOFTWARE FOR HOPE TWP.  
MARY YES STARLEEN YES BOB YES JOANN YES ANDY YES
- 2) IT WAS MOVED BY MARY AND SECONDED BY BOB TO PAY EXPENSES FOR THOSE ATTENDING THE ACCOUNTING AND PAYROLL SEMINAR. THOSE ATTENDING ARE STARLEEN, STARLA, JOANN AND ANN BLAKE. MOTION CARRIED.
- 3) SUPERVISOR HAD BID FOR TOWNSHIP HALL REPAIRS. THEY TOTALED \$5770.60. THE BOARD HAD TALKED OF HAVING TWO BIDS SO DECIDED THAT EVEN THOU MTA STATED THE BOARD DID NOT NEED TWO IT WOULD BE BETTER TO GO WITH TWO AS IN THE BOARD MINUTES FROM LAST MONTH. THE TOWNHALL BUDGET WILL HAVE TO BE AMENDED AT THAT TIME.

MARY MOVED TO ADJOURN.  
HOPE TOWNSHIP CLERK  
JOANN WILKIE