

# Hope Township Board Meeting

January 13, 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  
HOPE TWP FIRE HALL  
JANUARY 13, 2009, 7:00PM

TOWNSHIP BOARD PRESENT:  
SUPERVISOR

ANDY KOBISA,

JOANN WILKIE, CLERK  
STARLEEN HEATH,

TREASURER

MARY LETTS,

TRUSTEE

BOB DAVIS, TRUSTEE  
LIST WITH CLERK

VISITORS LIST:

CALL TO ORDER:

THE SUPERVISOR LED THOSE PRESENT TO THE PLEDGE TO FLAG.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

NONE

CLERK'S MINUTES:

THE CLERK'S MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER MEETING HAD BEEN DISPENSED EARLIER. MARY MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AND BOB SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

THE TREASURER GAVE FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008. IT WAS MOVED BY BOB AND SECONDED BY MARY TO ACCEPT THE REPORT. MOTION CARRIES.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

A LIST OF THE GENERAL BUDGET AND FIRE DEPT BILLS WERE DISPENSED EARLIER. BOB MOVED TO PAY BILLS AND STARLEEN SECONDED MOTION. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS CALLED-  
MARY YES JOANN YES BOB YES STARLEEN YES ANDY YES BIL  
LS WILL BE PAID

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE DEPT:

DEC. 2008, THERE WAS 9 RUNS. 4 DURING THE POWER OUTAGE, 4 MED. AND 1 MUTUAL AID WITH EDENVILLE. THE STATE HAS BACKED OFF AT THIS POINT ON INSISTING ON THE MEDICAL FIRST RESPONDER'S EDUCATION. THE FIRE DEPT. WILL BE USING THE RECORDS STORAGE ROOM AT THE CHAPEL TO STORE SOME OF THEIR OLD RECORDS. TWP. BOARD HAS AGREED TO THIS PREVIOUSLY.

PARK COMMISSION:

THERE WAS NO MEETING IN JANUARY. KAREN DAVIS REPORTED THE CHECK FOR \$25,000.00 WAS RECEIVED FROM THE DOW FOUNDATION. THIS WILL GO TOWARDS THE WALKWAY AT THE PARK. THE CHAIN WAS BROKEN AT PARK ENTRANCE AND SOMEONE HAD DROVE IN THERE. NO DAMAGES HAS BEEN NOTICED.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD FEBRUARY 4, 2009.

HOPE TWP WATER ADVISORY COMMISSION:

THE PRESIDENT'S NEW STIMULUS PROGRAM HAS PLANS IN IT TO HELP TWPS. WITH PROJECTS THAT ARE SHOVEL READY TO GO. THIS WOULD BE WITH PLANNING FOR NEW JOBS. HOPE AND EDENVILLE ARE NOT SHOVEL READY. LEE TOWNSHIP IS READY AND A POSSIBILITY OF GETTING HELP FROM GOV. THE PAYMENTS WOULD BE PAID DURING APRIL, JULY AND OCT. OF 2009. THE MUNICIPALITIES COULD QUALIFY FOR THEIR PORTION OF THE MAIN TRANSMISSION PIPE EXTENSION. POSSIBILITY OF THE PLAN COVERING THE TOTAL COST. THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOANS HAVE BEEN PUT ON HOLD UNTIL THE FEDERAL GRANTS ARE AVAILABLE. HOPE'S WATER BOARD IS WORKING ON WORDING FOR THE DOOR TO DOOR PETITION. THEY HOPE TO HAVE THEM DONE BY MARCH.

CHAPEL/CEMETERY:

THE FURNACE IS THE CHAPEL HAS BEEN REPAIRED. THE LIGHT WILBUR HAVENS PUT IN WINDOW CAME ON AND BOB DAVIS AND ANDY KOBISA GOT A HOLD OF FURNACE GUY TO REPAIR IT. IT WAS NOTED THERE IS TWO RAILS OFF OF THE FENCE IN FRONT OF CEMETERY BY THE ROAD. ONE HAS BEEN FIXED BUT SNOW IS TOO DEEP TO FIND THE OTHER ONE. IT WILL BE DONE IN THE SPRING.

THE TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

NEXT MEETING IS JANUARY 26, 2009. IT IS AT THE COUNTY BUILDING AT 5:00PM. QUESTIONS CHECK WITH BOB DAVIS.

WIXOM LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD REPORT:

NO MEETING UNTIL SPRING.

ROADS:

COMMISSION MET JANUARY 8, 2008. THE ROADS THAT WERE DISCUSSED WERE:

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½ MILE OF STARK RD.	\$ 68690.00
½ MILE OF MID/GLAD CTY LINE RD	55932.00
1 MILE OF CURTIS RD	155687.00
1 MILE OF HULL ROAD	114305.00
1 MILE OF BAKER ROAD	107035.00
½ MILE OF FIVE MILE ROAD	30532.00

THE TWP. ROAD ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDED THAT STARK AND MIDLAND/GLADWIN COUNTY LINE ROAD BE DONE THIS YEAR. THE TOTAL WILL BE \$124,629.00. BOB MOVED THAT THE TWO ROADS RECOMMENDED BE APPROVED FOR 2009. MARY SECONDED THE MOTION AND A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS CALLED-

BOB YES STARLEEN YES MARY YES JOANN YES ANDY YES ROADS WILL BE DONE.

BOARD OF REVIEW:

THE DECEMBER BOARD OF REVIEW WENT WELL. TWO POVERTY EXEMPTIONS WERE HEARD. THE BOARD WOULD LIKE TO GO TO TRAINING SESSION AT MT. PLEASANT. IT WAS MOVED BY BOB AND SECONDED BY STARLEEN TO PAY FOR ANY OF THE BD. OF REVIEW MEMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND. MOTION CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

AN APPLICATION WAS TURNED INTO THE CLERK FROM PETER MAXWELL TO PUT THE LAND HE HAD PURCHASED ON HULL ROAD INTO PA116. THE FORMS, DEED AND DRAWINGS WERE ALL INCLUDED. THE BOARD DISCUSSED MATTER AND THEN MARY MOVED TO APPROVE THE PA116 REQUEST. BOB SECONDED MOTION AND A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS CALLED-

MARY YES STARLEEN YES BOB YES JOANN YES ANDY YES MOTION DECLARED APPROVED-

THE CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT IN SANFORD HAS MIDLAND COUNTY PLATT BOOKS FOR SALE AT \$30.00 EACH. BOB MOVED TO PURCHASE THREE (3) PLATT BOOKS, I-PLANNING COMM., 1 FOR SUPERVISOR AND 1 FOR FIRE DEPT. MARY SECONDED AND MOTION CARRIED.

THE PAYNE SITUATION WAS DISCUSSED AGAIN. THE SUPERVISOR IS SEEING ABOUT WORDING TO PUT COST OF TEARING DOWN OLD BUILDING ON THE DEED. MRS. PAYNE HAS AGREED TO GET SOMETHING DONE. WE NEED TO

CHECK IF THE PREVIOUS OWNERS HAVE TO SIGN ALSO. THEY HOLD A LAND CONTRACT WITH PAYNES.  
TOM CLARK HAS AGREED TO CONTINUE TO BE OUR ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.

ADJOURNED 8:20PM  
JOANN WILKIE  
HOPE TOWNSHIP CLERK

