

HOPE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2013—7:00P.M.
HOPE TOWNSHIP HALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Andy Kobisa, Supervisor
JoAnn Wilkie, Clerk
Starleen Eddy, Treasurer
Mary Jo Letts, Trustee
Bob Davis, Trustee

CALL TO ORDER:

The Supervisor called the meeting to order by leading the pledge to the flag.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Mark Norton is on vacation so there was no update from Civil Engineers, Supervisor will give further news in water department.

Ken Lind, our insurance agent was present and gave an update on our insurance policy. We have changed the code number to act with their volunteer status. If any of the firemen were to get hurt, they should not be penalized and have part of their insurance pay reduced if they went on workman's comp. The life insurance for the fire fighters' went up to \$20,000.00 if they were killed on duty. The premium went down to \$10,580.00 from \$11,000.00.

CLERK'S MINUTES:

The minutes from the July 9, 2013 meeting had been disbursed earlier. It was moved by Bob and seconded by Mary to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The financial report was dispersed earlier. It was moved by JoAnn and seconded by Bob to accept the report as of July 31, 2013. Motion carried.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

The list of outstanding bills had been passed out earlier with the minutes. It was moved by Starleen and seconded by Mary to pay the bills. A roll call vote was polled-

Mary yes Starleen yes JoAnn yes Bob yes Andy yes

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE DEPT:

The fire chief reported 10 runs in July, 7 medical, 1 car fire, 1 gas leak and 1 tree down. The fire trucks are going in to Circle K for their annual check to make sure everything is in working order. The new fire truck is back at Circle K getting the minor bugs fixed. The fire chief has got a bid of \$2750.00 on the 1976 fire truck. He was asking \$3500.00. The Board agreed the amount was fair and Bob moved to accept the bid. It was seconded by Mary and motion carried. The fire dept. received a donation from Edenville Fire Dept. of a portable pump. Cliff Blake will be teaching more classes for the fire fighters that need more credits.

FIRE DEPARTMENT AUILIARY:

The auxiliary is working on their fund fest. The raffle tickets have been selling very well. Ann & Cliff are going to Flint to have an interview with Rebecca Trylich for WJRTV-channel 12. The interview is at 8:45 A.M. and will be on tv on Sunday.

PARK COMMISSION:

The first item on their agenda was to replace Karen Davis who resigned last month. Karen has agreed to finish up this year with the reservations for the park. She is also going to continue to apply for grants for the park. Three people were interested in the park position; they were Kari Jordan, Lee Henderson and Casey Johnson. The park commission recommended Casey Johnson for the position. Bob Davis moved to appoint Casey to the park commission and Mary seconded it. Motion carried. Clerk will swear Casey in right after meeting. David Yahr has put all the name plaques back up on wall of pavilion B. David also went back to company and they replaced the plaque in memory of Larry Maxwell. The new jumpy toy has been installed and is nice because it is also handicapped compatible. Bob Pyle cleaned out the garage. It is estimated there were 52 children attending the picnic and 150 adults. Everyone had a good time and enjoyed visiting with neighbors and friends. A five dollar donation was received.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The next meeting will be Nov. 7, 2013. They are held at the town hall at 7:00 P.M. Our RV Ordinance has been challenged and the Supervisor will check with other townships to see how they handle their RV Ordinances.

WATER SYSTEM:

The Supervisor brought everyone up to date on the water lines going in the township. This coming week should see some residents being hooked up to city water. There is 14 miles of water lines in. That is 36% done. Restoration will take up to next year. December 27 is the day everything is supposed to be completed. There were four bills turned concerning the water construction.

- (1) Civil Engineering Con. four bills of \$4170.00, \$6054.00, \$4260.00 & \$48,892.95
It was moved by Bob and seconded by Starleen to pay the bills. A roll call vote was called-
Bob YES JoAnn yes Starleen yes Mary yes Andy yes
- (2) Bilacic Trucking Contract #1 \$201515.45. It was moved by Bob and seconded by Mary to pay the bill. A roll call vote was polled-

JoAnn yes Mary yes Bob yes Starleen yes Andy yes

(3) Bilacic Trucking Contract # 2 \$846,659.37. It was moved by Bob and seconded by Starleen to pay the bill. A roll call vote was called-

Mary yes JoAnn yes Starleen yes Bob yes Andy yes

(4) Sterling Excavation \$356,057.43. It was moved by Bob and seconded by Andy to pay the bill. A roll call vote was polled-

Starleen yes JoAnn yes Bob yes Mary yes Andy yes

(5) Wm Fahey, attorney, \$418.00. It was moved by Bob and seconded by Mary to pay the bill. A roll call vote was called-

Mary yes JoAnn YES Starleen yes Bob yes Andy yes

CHAPEL/CEMETERY:

The commission met just before the Board meeting. Discussion was held on naming the inner roads in both cemeteries for some of our families that have been here a long time. Floyd will get a list of names to be considered. They would like to put in at least two concrete benches this fall. The parking lot could be expanded to the west. The new area needs to be marked out and the roads to be marked also. The two old willow trees that were in the old Cemetery have been removed. The wood is there and anyone that needs wood is welcomed to it. Andy will put this on our home page.

TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

There were 2 mechanical permits and 1 electrical permit for Hope in July. The office will be opened on Tues., Wed. and Thursdays. The next meeting will be Aug. 22, 2013 at the County Building at 5:00 p.m.

WIXOM LAKE ASSOCIATION:

There will be a weed survey done by Stryker's' Marina and Hope Twp. side of the lake. The next meeting will be Aug. 14, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the Billings Township Hall.

TOWNSHIP ROAD ADVISARY COMMISSION:

The water lines going through the township has made the road construction to be put on halt for the time being. The work that has to be done to put the water lines in will make the bill for the road work cost less. Andy made a motion to wait until next year to do the pavement on Five Mile Road and Hull Road. It was seconded by Bob and motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Andy did some research on the phone bills and it was discussed that the program of Log In did not do all the work it was thought it was going to do. The deputies are working at the Treasurer and Clerk's office. It was moved by Andy and seconded by Mary to not pay the deputies phone bills. Motion carried.

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NEW BUSINESS:

The MCTOA meeting will be held at the Porter Town Hall. The date is Sept. 5, 2013 at 6:30 P.M. Bob moved to send whoever was available to attend. It was moved by Bob and seconded by Starleen. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 8:37 P.M.

Hope Township Clerk
JoAnn Wilkie