

HOPE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
August 9, 2016
HOPE TOWNSHIP HALL-7:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

ANDY KOBISA, SUPERVISOR
JOANN WILKIE, CLERK
STARLEEN EDDY, TREASURER
MARY JO LETTS, TRUSTEE
BOB DAVIS, TRUSTEE

VISITORS:

LIST WITH CLERK'S

CALL TO ORDER:

The Supervisor led those present to the pledge to the flag. Meeting started at 7:00 p.m.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

None

CLERK'S MINUTES:

The minutes from the meeting were handed out earlier. It was moved by Andy and seconded by Starleen to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT:

The financial statements from July 31, 2016 were disbursed earlier. Bob moved to accept the reports and Mary seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

The list of bills for the General Fund, Solid Waste and Fire Dept. were disbursed earlier. Starleen moved to pay the bills and Mary seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called-

Mary yes Starleen yes Bob yes JoAnn yes Andy yes

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE DEPT:

July there was 9 runs, 6 were medical, 1 good intent and 2 fires. The Chief has promoted two firemen to Lieutenants. They are Jeff Courture and John Tidwell. John had some handouts made up, he has handed out about 2/3 of them. Two firemen are going to medical schooling. They are Zack Felcek and David Lafefer. Brian Soloman has requested to join the fire dept. John has gone through all his previous experiences and recommends him to be appointed by the Board. Andy moved to appoint Brian to the fire dept., and Bob seconded the motion. Motion passed. There is presently 17 firemen on the roster. John would like to purchase a minimum of 3 turn out sets for the dept. John would also like to purchase t-shirts and hoodies for the department. T-shirts are \$8.50 and hoodies are \$35.00. Andy moved to spend up to \$3600.00 and Bob seconded it. A roll call vote was polled-

Starleen yes Mary yes JoAnn yes Bob yes Andy yes

PARK COMMISSION:

The park picnic went very well. There were over one hundred people there. All the children that were present received a gift. Rudy Turk and Bob Davis did the grilling and it was great. Many thanks to you two. Also, thank you to all the park members that helped set up and got things organized. The fire dept. had their water ball fight going and that kept everyone cool. We appreciate what a great fire department we have. Also, we had Cathy Vargas with a bouncy house from Mills Center. Kathy had flyers telling what is available at the center. Thanks to Andy & Marge Kobisa for setting up the car, motorcycle & tractor show. We could not have such a great picnic without everyone's help.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The next meeting is Nov. 1, 2016 at township hall @7:00 p.m. E. Wirbel is applying to the Bd. of Appeals for a variance. The public hearing will be held on Nov. 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., at the township hall.

TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

There were 11 permits for the month of July. They were: 2 plumbing, 1 building, 1 electrical, 1 mechanical and 6 water permits. Aug. 25 is the next meeting at the County Building, @ 5:00 p.m.

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CHAPEL/CEMETERY:

The new road is going good at the cemetery. The new area is almost ready to be surveyed. This will give the township about 100 new lots.

WIXON LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD REPORT:

Bob Kelly updated us on the work on Wixom Lake. The last survey was done on July 23. The Board is satisfied with what weeds in the lake has been reduced or done away with.

ROAD ADVISARY COMMISSION REPORT:

The work is going well in Hope Township. Curtis Road, one mile east of Middle Road is ready to pave. The Road Comm. is pleased that the renewal road tax for Hope Twp. passed. This money is used in only Hope Twp. and has helped get more road work done.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Just a reminder of the upcoming conference on Sept. 27 @Frankenmuth. The following people have been signed up for it- Mary, Marge & Andy, Starleen, Starla, Bob, JoAnn, Ann and Cliff.

The MCOA'S meeting is Sept. 1, 2016. The dinner starts at 6:30 and meeting @7:00 p.m. It is held at the Porter Township Hall.

NEW BUSINESS:

DAVID'S DRAIN:

This drain runs through Hope Township. Scott and Melissa Abel are interested in installing a buoy with a No Wake sign in the drain at no cost to the Township. They will be responsible for removing it in the Fall and install in the Spring. This is the only way the DNR can enforce the NO Wake laws on Wixom Lake. Andy moved to approve Scott Able be responsible for this. Bob seconded and a roll call vote was called-

Starleen yes Bob yes Mary yes JoAnn yes Andy yes

Bob moved to adjourn and Mary seconded @8:10 p.m.

JoAnn Wilkie
Hope Township Clerk