

HOPE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
HOPE TOWNSHIP HALL
MAY 10, 2016- 7:00 P.M.

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS:

Andy Kobisa, Supervisor

JoAnn Wilkie, Clerk
Starleen Eddy, Treas.
Mary Letts, Trustee
Bob Davis

VISITORS:

WITH CLERK'S COPY

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Supervisor leading the pledge to the flag.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Jerry Clark was present to give a petition from residents on Adams Rd., west of Five Mile Road. They had not any road work done in several years. There are more homes on the road now and they would like their road improved. The Supervisor accepted the petition and will turn it over to our township road advisory commission. Andy will let Mr. Clark know when the commission will be meeting again.

CLERK'S MINUTES:

The minutes from the April 12, 2016 meeting had been handed out earlier. It was moved by Starleen and supported by Mary to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT:

Starleen gave the financial report as of April 30, 2016. It was moved by Bob and seconded by Mary to accept the report. Motion carried.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

The list of the outstanding bills for the General, Fire Dept. and Solid Waste had been handed out with the minutes earlier. It was moved by Bob and seconded by Mary to pay the bills. A roll call vote was polled-

Mary yes

Bob yes

Starleen yes

JoAnn yes

Andy yes

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE Depart.

There were 6 runs in April. Five were medical and one was a staging request. The Fire Chief has answered all the questions and was inspected concerning the ISO inquiry. This is to check out Hope's classification for the State's rating of our fire dept. for our insurance ratings. At this point we are rated a nine but with the new classification we could be at a six. This would help with our home owners insurance cost. There is a 4-6 month back log so it will be Nov. or Dec. before we get the new rating. Amber Valley and John Tidwell have passed their classes. Two new guys have indicated they are interested on being on the fire Dept. They are Junior O'Brien and Dave LaFaber, Dave has fireman experience from his previous location and John would like the six month residency requirement exempted. Andy so moved and Bob seconded. Motion carried. The wind storms and new houses being built, our house numbers posts have been depleted. John would like to order 100 new posts. It would cost around \$800.00. Andy so moved and Bob seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called-

Mary yes Starleen yes Bob yes JoAnn yes Andy yes

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Rodney Nanny was unable to attend the May 4 meeting. Marge is calling another meeting to get work done on the Master Plan. Rodney will have more information ready then. The meeting will be held on June 1st, at the township hall @7:00 p.m.

PARK COMMISSION:

Their meeting was May 3, 2016. The winds have done a lot of damage at the park. Two roll up doors on the pavilions was destroyed. The park comm. got an estimate of \$600.00 a piece to replace them. The N.W. ball diamond was estimated at \$3250.00 to be repaired. The N.E. diamond which was destroyed was not used to play ball. The park commission decided to demolish this one. Andy moved to pay the repair cost of \$5,000.00, the receipts would be sent into our insurance co. for reimbursement. Starleen seconded and a roll call vote was called-

Bob yes Andy yes Mary yes JoAnn yes Starleen yes

CHAPEL/CEMETARY COMMISSION:

Mid-Michigan Tree Service did a very good job of cutting down the dead pine tree at the New Cemetery. They ground down the stump and cleaned up the mess completely. A year ago Floyd had ordered 16 trees from Burgess Seed Co., after careful planting, watering and fertilizing the trees, they had all died. Floyd had contacted the company who said they would replace them. After months of contacting them, they have still not replaced them right. Floyd wanted to pay back the township for the expense. The Board felt this was not Floyd's fault, so Andy moved to accept the check and give it to the Park to be used there. Bob seconded the motion and it carried.

TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

The meeting was held April 28 at the County Building. There were three permits for Hope Township in April, one for electrical, one for mechanical and one for plumbing. The next meeting will be May 26 at the County Building.

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WIXOM LAKE ASSOCIATION:

Bob reported the lake is still there. There is work to be done sometime and no one knows when the water will be taken down for the repairs. The first meeting will be Wed., May 11, 2016.

ROAD ADVISARY COMMISSION:

No date has been set for the next meeting at this time. They will notify Jerry Clark when one is set.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) The Resolution to support the Midland County Solid Waste Department to accept the sediment from the Dow Chemical Company in the Tittabawasee River was tabled until next meeting for more information.
- 2) The Midland County Officials Association dinner/meeting will be held June 2, 2016. Bob made a motion to pay expenses for those that wish to attend. Starleen seconded and motion carried.

Bob moved to adjourn and Starleen seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

JoAnn Wilkie
Hope Township Clerk

