

HOPE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MARCH 14, 2017---7:00 P.M.
HOPE TOWNSHIP HALL

BOARD MEMBERS:

Andy Kobisa, Supervisor
JoAnn Wilkie, Clerk
Starleen Eddy, Treasurer
(ARRIVED@ 7:05 P.M.) Mary Letts, Trustee
Bob Davis, Trustee

VISITORS:

List with Clerk's.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

NONE

CLERK'S MINUTES:

The minutes from the Feb. 14, 2017 meeting had been disbursed earlier. It was moved by Starleen and seconded by Bob to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT:

The treasurer had handed out the financial report as of Feb. 28, 2017. It was moved by Bob and supported by JoAnn to accept the report. Motion carries.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

The list of outstanding bills had been distributed earlier for the General, Fire Dept. and Solid Waste. It was moved by Bob and seconded by Starleen to pay the bills: A roll call vote was called-

JoAnn yes Starleen yes Mary yes Bob yes Andy yes

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

John requested to purchase a new fire hose (2 1/2 in. by 400 or 600 ft. long) cost would be about \$1600.00. Extra misc. equipment for department \$650.00. Cliff Blake to attend EMS Expo cost \$350.00, making a total of \$2600.00. Andy moved to purchase equipment & seminar, and Bob seconded. A roll call vote was called-

Starleen yes Mary yes JoAnn yes Bob yes Andy yes

PARK COMMISSION:

First meeting of the season was held Mar. 7, 2017. New officers were selected- Chair-David Yahr, Vice-Cathy Kisser, Treas.-Starla Jordan, members-Doug Shoffner and Jared Russell. Jared will need to get sworn in before next meeting of April 4, 2017. David is going to check to see if the American Legion can get the 4 x 6 flags we need for the township. The township picnic is going to be held on July 22. The park meeting that was to be held on July 4th was changed and they will now meet JUNE 27.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The planning commission met with Rodney Nanny on Feb. and will meet again at their May 3, meeting. They are continuing to update the Master Plan.

CEMETERY / CHAPEL COMMISSION:

Andy checked with Consumers and they do not see a problem of the trees at the cemetery coming down on their lines. We will talk more about this at our next meeting. The next meeting will be held on March 28, at 7:00 p.m. It will be held at the chapel. A company from Farwell is interested in select cutting wood from the cemetery and park property. Discussion was held and input from the park commission was also obtained. Mary moved to NOT accept the offer and Bob seconded the motion and motion carried.

TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

Last month's meeting was held on Feb. 23, 2017. There were 2 building permits and 5 mechanical. This month's meeting will be held on Mar. 23 at 5:00 p.m. at the county building.

WIXOM LAKE ASSOCIATION:

The first meeting of the season will be held April 12 at the Billings Township Hall. The information is on their website. They will be taking a survey in May.

TOWNSHIP ROAD ADVISARY COMMISSION:

The cost for improvement for Adams Road west from Five Mile Road to M-30 came in considerably high. The ditches have not been cleaned in years so cost will have to start from there.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE FOR A BOARD OF APPEALS

Andy moved to adopt the Ordinance and Bob seconded it. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

The township board will be at the MTA annual meeting on April 11 so the meeting will be held on APRIL 18, 2017.

Andy moved to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. and Mary seconded.

Hope township clerk

JoAnn Wilkie