

HOPE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
JULY 14, 2015, 7:00 P.M.
HOPE TOWNSHIP HALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Supervisor: Andy Kobisa
Clerk: JoAnn Wilkie (absent)
Treasurer: Starleen Eddy (7:12)
Trustee: Mary Letts
Trustee: Bob Davis
Deputy Clerk: Ann Blake

VISITORS:

WITH CLERK'S MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

The Supervisor called the meeting to order by leading the pledge to the flag AT 7:00 P.M. Starleen arrived at 7:12 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

NONE

CLERK'S MINUTES:

It was moved by Andy and seconded by Mary to approve the minutes with the addition that Starla had applied and received the \$8,000.00 grant from Dow Corning. Thanks to Starla for all the hard work. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The financial report was given from June 30, 2015. It was moved by Bob and seconded by Mary to accept the report. Motion carried.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

The outstanding bills were listed for the General Fund, Fire Dept and Solid Waste funds. It was moved by Starleen and seconded by Mary to pay the bills. A roll call vote was called-

Bob yes Starleen yes Mary yes Andy yes JoAnn absent

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE DEPT.:

Mike Coston gave report as John is out of town. Standard of Procedure was reviewed and has been presented to Twp. Board for approval. Andy moved to approve the SOP and Bob seconded it. Motion carried. The fire Dept. would like to purchase a humidifier for the meeting room at the fire

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station. Andy moved to purchase a humidifier for around \$200.00 and Bob seconded motion. A roll call vote was polled- Mary yes Starleen yes Bob yes Andy yes JoAnn (absent) There were 7 runs for June. They were 6 medical and 1 fire run. Run 42 brought three extra hours for the fire fighters.

PARK COMMISSION:

The painting is all done on pavilion A and concession stand. The walking trail is sort of repaired. Picnic tables have been sanded in pavilion A. All township board members are asked to furnish 2 doz. cookies for picnic. Fireworks were set off in the park on a Fri. and Sat. night. There was a mess of debris left and the grass was scorched. The park commission and twp. Board will be looking into no fireworks on township property.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The next meeting will be Aug. 5th at the township hall at 7:00 p.m. We are still looking for another member for this board.

WATER REPORT:

- (1) Civil Engineers-\$7,568.25It was moved by Andy and seconded by Bob to pay Civil Engineers. A roll call vote was called-
Mary yes Andy yes Bob yes Starleen yes JoAnn (absent)
- (2) Consumers \$239.07, it was moved by Andy and seconded by Starleen to pay Consumers. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

There were 3 electrical and 4 water permits for Hope Twp. Last month. The next meeting is July 23, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. on the ground level.

HOPE TOWNSHIP ROAD COMMISSION:

At the Feb. meeting it was decided to chip and seal the last 1/2 mile of E. Curtis Rd. This is east of Middle Road. This would help keep that part of the road from further destruction. The cost will be \$16,320.00.

CHAPEL/CEMETERY REPORT:

There was a short meeting at 6:00 p.m. of the commission. Floyd thanked the Twp. Board for allowing the members to attend the state cemeteries seminar. They found out more of our ordinances have to be updated. We will be working on them. The Old Cemetery has a tree that is rotting and needs to be removed. Floyd got two bids, one from Mid-Michigan for \$1,350.00 and one from Robert Hughes-Trees Extracted for \$500.00. Both are insured and will have their insurance binders to the clerk before starting work. Andy moved to go with Trees Extracted and Bob seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called-

Mary yes Starleen yes Bob yes Andy yes JoAnn (absent)

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Floyd reported that he had ordered 32 trees and planted them for a wind block for the cemetery. May 28, Floyd planted the trees into 2 rows of 1-row of 9 and the second row was 8 trees. Mid-June 15 of the 17 trees were dead. We are having the soil tested to see if there is something that is not right in the soil. Floyd came every other day and watered the trees. We can get \$107.00 back if nothing wrong where they were planted.

WIXOM LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD REPORT:

Bob gave a report concerning the survey that had been done. There was a graph sheet showing the progress of the weed treatment results.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

FOIA –Andy moved to adopt the new FOIA forms for obtaining information. Starleen seconded and motion passed.

NEW WEBSITE-It will be a week to ten days and the new website will be up and running.

MTA WORKSHOP FOR PLANNING COMMISSION:

Andy moved and Mary seconded for the planning commission members that want to attend the workshop at Frankenmuth on Aug. 11 could go. Marge, Bob, Diane & Wendy would like to attend.

Starleen yes Mary yes Bob yes Andy yes JoAnn (absent)

2016 RESOLUTION FOR ABANDED PROPERTY

Andy moved and Starleen seconded the resolution. The motion carried.

TOWNSHIP INSURANCE

Andy moved and Starleen seconded to pay the insurance for a year. A roll call vote was polled-

Mary yes Starleen yes Bob yes Andy yes JoAnn (absent)

Bob moved to adjourn and Mary seconded-carried 8:12 p.m.

Minutes taken by Ann Blake and typed by JoAnn Wilkie