

**HOPE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2018- 7:00 P.M.
HOPE TOWNSHIP HALL**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

VISITORS:

List with Clerk's Copy

CALL TO ORDER:

The Supervisor lead those present to the pledge to the flag at 7:00 P.M.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Kaitlyn Breamer, student from an area high school was present to observe how a Township meeting was conducted. The Board was complimented on how well the meeting went and questions answered.

CLERK'S MINUTES:

The minutes from the December 12, 2017 meeting had been disbursed earlier. It was moved by Bob and seconded by Starleen to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

The financial report was given as of December 31, 2017. The report was accepted to be filed on record.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

A list of all the bills since the day after our last meeting was handed out with the minutes tonight. It was moved by Bob and supported by Mary to pay the bills. A roll call vote was called-

Starleen yes Bob yes Mary yes JoAnn yes Andy yes

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE DEPT.

Our new fire chief, Brian Solomon gave the report tonight for the fire dept. There were 12 calls for December, 2017. The firemen appreciation dinner will be held Feb. 10. The Chief would like a count

of how many Board members and guests plan on attending as soon as possible. They would like to start getting supplies purchased. Fire truck 950 was taken over to Chuck's Garage to have a blown head gasket replaced. The bill came in at \$1682.08, clerk will make out the check and Brian would like to take it over to Chuck's. The fire chief has appointed a grant committee to look into purchasing a new fire truck to replace 950, which is a 1989 model and also grants for the air packs and bottles the firemen wear into the fires. They are good for only so many years. Andy made a motion to pay Chuck's Garage the \$1682.08 and Mary seconded and a roll call vote was polled-

Bob yes Starleen yes Andy yes JoAnn yes Mary yes

PARK COMMISSION:

The park is closed until spring. Everything is set to start the new bathrooms project as soon as the weather breaks.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The Planning Commission will meet on April 4, 2018.

CHAPEL/CEMETERY COMMISSION:

The commission will be meeting in the spring to plan projects for 2018. Floyd requested that the 10% annuity be drawn as soon as possible. The furnace has had several breakdowns and it is 20 years old. The commission will be looking into replacing it this year. Discussion was held concerning a memorial for Andrew Braley, he was a Hope son, who lost his life in World War 11. He was in the submarine, Swordfish, which was lost just months before the end of the war. He was one that gave everything for our freedom. This will be discussed at our planning meeting.

TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

The last meeting was Dec. 21, 2017 and the next one will be Jan 25, 2018. The meetings are held in the County Building at 5:00 p.m. It is an open meeting and everyone can attend.

WIXOM LAKE AUTHORITY:

No meeting until spring.

ROAD ADVISARY COMMISSION:

The Commission will be meeting the first Tues. of Feb, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. They will be discussing road work for 2018.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

The Supervisor had the Poverty guidelines from the County for tax reductions. Andy moved to approve the guidelines and Bob seconded the motion. A roll call vote was polled-

Mary yes Starleen yes Bob yes JoAnn yes Andy yes

Adjourn: ANDY 2ND STARLEEN

TIME: 7:26 P.M.

JOANN WILKIE, CLERK
