Hope Township Special Meeting Hope Township Hall June 23, 2022 6:00 pm

Board Members:

Rita Goul, Supervisor Carol Coyle, Clerk Starleen Eddy, Treasurer Mary Jo Letts, Trustee Daniel Mieske, Trustee

<u>Visitors</u>: List with Clerk's copy

SPECIAL MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Township Board Special meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Supervisor, Rita Goul.

Roll call of the Board Members: *Dan Mieske* <u>Present</u>, Mary *Jo Letts* <u>Excused Absent</u>, *Starleen Eddy* <u>Present</u>, *Carol Coyle* <u>Present</u>, *Rita Goul* <u>Present</u>.

Motion to approve the agenda by Rita and seconded by Dan.

All in favor 4----Opposed 0.

Park spokesperson, Starla Jordan reported how the initial Grant from the Michigan Baseball Association was obtained for \$5000.00 to be used for the creation of a "Tot Lot" at the park. Township Board approved the use of \$5000.00 from the ARPA funds as a matching amount. Starla was going to obtain the balance through additional grants. The down payment would be refundable 30 days prior to manufacturing of the product. The invoice has been received. The manufacturing is scheduled to begin June 24th, 2022 and the Clerk questioned paying the invoice prior to obtaining the remaining funds. Discussion on how to obtain the remaining balance due to the fact the additional grant is not able to be applied for before July 15th (18th?). (Both dates were stated). Starla requested the money to be borrowed from the Tree Cutting (previously earmarked for the establishment of the disc golf course) or from the available ARPA funds. Discussion from the audience and Board members. The resulting motion is as follows: "To approve the Parks to use the \$10,000 (\$5000.00 from the Loons-\$5000.00 from the ARPA) for the Tot Lot. If Snider is unable to do the work in increments as the money comes in, the project with Snider will be cancelled. Motion made by Rita and seconded by Starleen.

Roll call vote: Dan YES, Starleen YES, Carol YES, Rita YES. Motion carried.

Clarification from the audience that the whole project will not be cancelled, just the current one with Snider.

Motion to adjourn at 7:22 pm by Rita and Supported by Starleen.

All in favor 4----Opposed 0.

Respectfully submitted

Carol Coyle

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