

HOPE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
February 12, 2018

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Feldpausch in the Hope Township Hall, 5463 S. M-43 Highway, Hastings, Michigan.

Members Present: Mark Feldpausch, Deborah Jackson, Arlene Tonkin, David Messelink, Matt Peake.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Jim Lockwood, Perry Shepard, Mark Brandli, Gary Pettit, Don & Alice Hunt, Lisa Shockley-Curtis

Public Comment: Comments were made.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda by Jackson, second by Tonkin. All in favor. Motion carried.

Delton Fire Report: Perry Shepard read report. Report on file.

County Commissioner Report: none

Consent Agenda: *All matters listed under item 6, Consent Agenda, are considered routine by the board and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion of an item is required it will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.*

- a. Approval of January 8, 2018 & January 31, 2018 meeting minutes:
- b. Reports received: Building permits; Library minutes; Sewer minutes; Revenue/Expenditure report; Treasurer report; Zoning officer report
- c. Approval of Bills and Signatures of Board Members: Deborah Jackson

Motion to approve consent agenda by Peake, second by Messelink. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports/Board Comments:

Supervisor: Commented that he is pleased with the work the Ordinance Enforcement Officer is doing.

Treasurer: Tonkin read report. Report on file. Informed the board of a couple of issues the Planning Commission is inquiring about. One issue is regulating short term rental and the other is adopting a solar farm ordinance. Topics are for further review if the board is interested.

Clerk: Reported on library business and their budget workshop. She also reported Lisa Shockley-Curtis is now a registered Notary public. Tomorrow is the last day for Hastings Schools to request an election in May, if not; the next election for Hope Township will be in August.

Trustee(s): Messelink reported on SBCSWA business.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

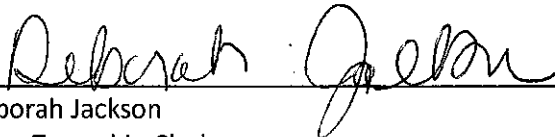
- a. Resolution 2018-3 Salary Resolutions as follows:
 Resolution by Messelink, seconded by Jackson to set the salary of Supervisor at \$15,000.00 effective April 1, 2018. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
 Resolution by Tonkin, seconded by Messelink to set the salary of Clerk at \$22,560.00 to be effective April 1, 2018. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
 Resolution by Feldpausch, seconded by Peake to set the salary of Treasurer at \$26,000.0 to be effective April 1, 2018. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
 Resolution by Jackson, seconded by Tonkin to set the salary of each Trustee at \$5,150.00 to be effective April 1, 2018. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
 Resolutions were declared adopted.

Supervisor Feldpausch noted that the above salaries remain unchanged since 2005.


- b. Resolution 2018-2 Poverty Exemption Guidelines. Motion to approve the resolution and set poverty guidelines at the Federal level and asset test at \$15,000 by Messelink, second by Peake. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Audit engagement letter with Walker, Fluke, & Sheldon. Motion for Supervisor Feldpausch and Clerk Jackson to sign the contract by Jackson, second by Tonkin. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Buy back cemetery lot Cedar Creek 3rd add/lot 133/space 4. Motion to buy back lot in the amount of \$12.50 by Jackson, second by Messelink. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- e. Fire Dept appropriations \$131,300 April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019. Motion to approve the appropriations by Jackson, second by Feldpausch. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Additional Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes): None

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. Motion to close by Peake, second by Tonkin. All in favor. Motion carried.



 Deborah Jackson
 Hope Township Clerk



 Mark S. Feldpausch
 Hope Township Supervisor

Date Feb 22, 2018

Status (circle one) Tentative Minutes Approved Minutes