

**HOPE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
July 8, 2019**

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: Dave Jackson, Perry Shepard, Ken Chandler, Al Lewicki, Lisa Shockley-Curtis.

Public Comment: None

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

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

County Commissioner Report: Dave Jackson gave report.

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 May 13, 2019 meeting minutes
- b. Reports received: Zoning compliance permits; Building permits; Revenue/Expenditure report; Treasurer report; Library minutes; Sewer minutes
- c. Approval of Bills and Signatures of Board Members: Deborah Jackson

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

Reports/Board Comments:

Supervisor: Nothing to report.

Treasurer: Tonkin read report. Report on file. Distributed Quarterly Investment Report to members.

Clerk: The library board is discussing ways to designate a section of the library in memory of Bud Leonard. No August election.

Trustee(s): Messelink reported the SWBCWSA audit went well.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

- a. Resolution 2019-8 Foreclosed Properties as follows:
WHEREAS, the County of Barry has foreclosed on and will be offering for sale the following properties in Hope Township: 07-160-107-00 and 07-160-129-20; and
WHEREAS, Hope Township has the right to buy these parcels before the tax sale to be held on or about August 26, 2019, and
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township is not interested in acquiring the above properties.
AND ADDITIONALLY, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that if the State of Michigan or Barry County does not acquire the above properties, and intends to revert them to Hope Township, Hope Township DOES NOT desire to accept the above properties.
Board member Tonkin, moved adoption of this resolution, supported by Member Jackson.
Roll call vote:
Yeas: Feldpausch, Jackson, Tonkin, Messelink, Peake.
Nays: None
Absent: None
Resolution declared adopted.
- b. Budget amendment Building Fund 249-371-710.000 permit fees increase \$50,000 and 249-000-607.000 Revenue charges for permits increase \$50,000. Motion to approve the amendment by Feldpausch, second by Peake. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Storage room remodel quote. Motion to move forward with the quote from Gary Hammond in the amount of \$40,500.00 for construction and additional \$12,953.53 for shelving and installation by Peake, second by Messelink. Motion carried.
- d. Guernsey Lake Weed control special assessment – Resolution 19-1 as follows:
EXCERPT FROM MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING AT THE TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL ON JULY 8, 2019.
The Supervisor next reported that the Township Board has received the request to continue the aquatic plant control program on Guernsey Lake in Hope Township and to reestablish a special assessment district under the authority of Michigan Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended, to finance the program.
Motion was made by Messelink, seconded by Peake, and unanimously carried that the Township Board, acting on its own motion, direct that plans be prepared for the proposed aquatic plant control project and that estimates of the cost of the same be prepared. These plans and estimates, which had been prepared in anticipation of the Board's action, were then presented to the Board for consideration. These plans and estimates have been placed on file with the Township Clerk. The total estimated treatment cost for the proposed aquatic plant control project was \$100,700.00.
Motion was then made by Jackson, seconded by Feldpausch, and unanimously carried ordering the plans and estimates to be filed with the Township Clerk for public examination.

Motion was then made by Messelink, seconded by Tonkin, to have the Township Board adopt the following Resolution No. 19-1:

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION

DECLARATION OF INTENT TO MAKE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS. TENTATIVE DESIGNATION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING.

WHEREAS, Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended ("Act 188") provides that the Township Board may proceed and exercise the powers granted by Act 188 upon the Township Board's initiative to establish a special assessment district to provide for improvements including an aquatic plant control project; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined that it is in the best interests of Hope Township and of the property owners on and in the vicinity of Guernsey Lake, including abutting property owners and back lot owners, that an aquatic plant control project be continued on Guernsey Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined to secure plans and cost estimates for the continuation of an aquatic plant control project for Guernsey Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined the appropriateness and authority of carrying over any remaining unexpended funds in the existing Hope Township Guernsey Lake Aquatic Plant Control Project Special Assessment District to the newly established special assessment district; and

WHEREAS, Act 188 provides the means to finance the proposed aquatic plant control project improvements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Township board, acting on its own motion, does hereby tentatively declare its intent to continue an aquatic plant control program on Guernsey Lake in Hope Township, Barry County, Michigan.
2. That the Township board has obtained preliminary plans for the aquatic plant control program on Guernsey Lake from PLM Lake & Land Management Corp, which plans describe the proposed program and contain an estimate of costs, a copy of which is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A.
3. That said plans shall be filed with the Township Clerk.
4. That the Township Board does hereby tentatively designate the special assessment district known as the HOPE TOWNSHIP GUERNSEY LAKE AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL PROJET SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRIT NO. 19-1, consisting of certain parcels of land, the descriptions of which are set forth herein and attached hereto as Exhibit B and against which all or a portion of the cost of said improvements shall be assessed.
5. That the Township Board shall hold a public hearing on any objections to the project, the cost estimates, the approval of the carryover of any unexpended (surplus) funds from the existing special assessment district to the HOPE TOWNSHIP GUERNSEY LAKE AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL PROJECT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 19-1 and the proposed special assessment district on Tuesday, September 24, 2019, at 6:30 pm at a meeting of the Township Board at the Hope Township Hall; and
6. That the Township Clerk be instructed to give the proper notice of such hearing by mailing and publication in accordance with the law and statue provided; and
7. That all Resolutions and parts of Resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted "Aye": Feldpausch, Tonkin, Jackson, Messelink, Peake.

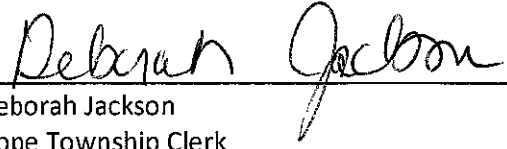
The following vote "Nay": None

Absent: None

The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the Resolution duly adopted.

Additional Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes): None

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m. Motion to close by Messelink, second by Peake. All in favor. Motion carried.



Deborah Jackson
Hope Township Clerk



Mark S. Feldpausch
Hope Township Supervisor

Date Sept 9, 2019
Status (circle one) Tentative Minutes Approved Minutes