

**HOPE TOWNSHIP BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING
AND REGULAR BOARD MEETING
March 18, 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: Perry Shepard, Lisa Shockley-Curtis

Public Comment: None

Approval of Agenda: Jackson requested a date change under New Business (i.) Motion to approve the amended agenda by Tonkin, second by Feldpausch. All in favor. Motion carried.

Budget Public Hearing:

Supervisor Feldpausch opened Budget Public Hearing at 6:31 p.m.

- A. Public comment pertaining to the budget: None
- B. Supervisor Feldpausch closed Budget Public Hearing at 6:35 p.m.
- C. Motion by Jackson, second by Peake to approve the proposed 2019-2020 budget. Roll call vote. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Supervisor Feldpausch **opened Regular Board Meeting at 6:36 p.m.**

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

County Commissioner Report: N/A

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 February 7, 2019 Budget Workshop minutes and February 11, 2019 Regular Board meeting minutes:
- b. Reports received: Building permits; Library minutes; Sewer minutes; Revenue/Expenditure report; Treasurer report
- c. Approval of Bills and Signatures of Board Members: Deborah Jackson

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

Reports/Board Comments:

Supervisor: Board of Review was last week. Feldpausch gave credit to Kevin Harris, the assessor, and the BOR members for a job well done. There were eighteen petitions between the two days. Feldpausch asked the Township Board members to hold a joint meeting with the Planning Commission members, a Williams & Works representative, and legal counsel on April 18, 2019 at 6:30pm to discuss the township's position on recreational marijuana.

Treasurer: Tax roll has been turned over to the county treasurer. Tonkin read monthly report. Report on file.

Clerk: The library will be receiving a monetary gift from the Bud Leonard estate. The May 7, 1019 election preparations are underway.

Trustee(s): Messelink reported on the Crooked Lake flood issue. The Drain Commissioner is still looking for a permanent solution. Gilmore Car Museum has asked to be released from the SWBCSWA district in order to join Gull Lake's sewer district. The SWBCSA will discuss at their next board meeting.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

- a. Resolution 2019-4 Depositories for Hope Township public monies.
Motion to approve Resolution 2019-4 by Tonkin, second by Jackson.
Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Resolution 2019-5 Designate Primary Bank Depository.
Motion to approve Resolution 2019-5 by Tonkin, second by Feldpausch.
Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Resolution 2019-3 Treasurer's Tax Motions.
Motion to approve Resolution 2019-3 by Tonkin, second by Peake. Roll
call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Resolution 2019-7 Township Board Meeting schedule 2019-20 fiscal
year.
Motion to approve Resolution 2019-7 by Feldpausch, second by
Messelink. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- e. Resolution 2019-6 General Appropriations Act.
Motion to approve Resolution 2019-6 by Jackson, second by Tonkin.
Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- f. Audit engagement letter.
Motion to sign the engagement letter to hire Walker, Fluke & Sheldon
by Jackson, second by Tonkin. Roll call vote. Motion carried
unanimously.
- g. Library Grant 2019-20.
Motion to approve a \$39,600.00 grant to the library by Messelink,
second by Jackson. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- h. Payment of bills through fiscal year end March 31, 2019.
Motion to approve payment of bills by Jackson, second by Peake. Roll
call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- i. Cemetery contract for April 1, 2019 – March 31, ~~2019~~-2020.
Motion for Supervisor to sign Cemetery Sexton contract for April 1, 2019
– March 31, 2020 with Garret Lennon by Jackson, second by Messelink.
Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.
- j. Cemetery prices: Full burial cost; Holiday, Sunday, & winter charge.
Motion to approve the increase in cemetery prices for full burial \$500,
Winter full burial \$600, Holiday & Sunday additional charge of \$100 full
burial & cremation burial, \$25 additional charge for winter cremation

burial by Feldpausch, second by Tonkin. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.

k. Board Appointments:

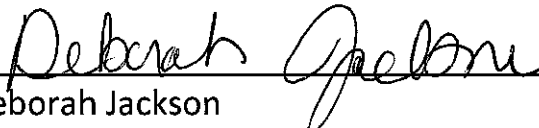
Zoning Board of Appeals (Mark Hubbell, Jill Steele, & Jennifer Saviano term ending 3/31/2022), Planning Commission (Roger Pashby term ending 3/31/2022).

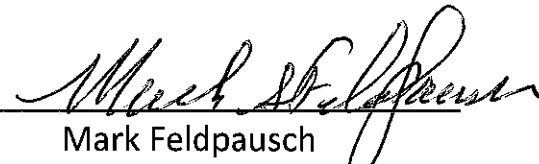
Motion to re-appoint members by Feldpausch, second by Peake. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.

- l. Budget transfer: \$1160.00 from 101-101-880.000 to 101-526-803.00 (Recycling). Motion to approve budget transfer from Community Promotion to Recycling by Jackson, second by Messelink. Roll call vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Additional Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes): Comment was made.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m. Motion to close by Feldpausch, second by Peake. All in favor. Motion carried.


Deborah Jackson
Hope Township Clerk


Mark Feldpausch
Hope Township Supervisor

Date April 8, 2019
Status (circle one) Tentative Minutes Approved Minutes