

# Hopkins Township Board Minutes

## Regular Meeting

### February 14, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm. By Supervisor Evans.

Roll Call – Alberda, Evans, Modreske, Wamhoff, Morris.

Absent – None.

Motion by Modreske supported by Wamhoff to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Modreske supported by Wamhoff to approve the minutes for the January 10, 2022 meeting as presented. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Alberda supported by Modreske to approve the financial report as presented. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Wamhoff, supported by Morris to approve the bills in the amount of \$25,177.74. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence – Supervisor Evans presented correspondence on drains in the township.

Public Comment- Public comment was opened at 7:38 pm. Bob Beck gave public comment from 7:38 pm to 7:39 pm. There was no additional public comment and public comment closed at 7:39 pm.

Reports:

County Commissioner Report – Commissioner Dugan was not present at this time, he entered the meeting at a later time and gave his report then.

Allegan County Legal Assistance Center - Not here at this time, they entered at a later time and gave their report then.

Old Business:

There was no old business.

New Business:

Discussion was had on the fire board budget. Motion by Alberda supported by Wamhoff to approve to 2022/2023 Hopkins Area Fire Board Budget as presented. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was had on resolution 2022-01 Poverty Guidelines Resolution. Motion by Modreske, supported by Wamhoff to approve the resolution. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was had on Appointment to the Board of Review - Steve Ybema Resolution 2022-02. Motion by Modreske, supported by Alberda. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was had on Resolution 2022-03 Appointment to fill Vacancy of Alternate to Board of Review - Mark Forbes. Motion by Modreske, supported by Alberda to approve resolution 2022-03. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

At this time representatives from the Allegan County Legal Assistance Center entered the meeting and gave their presentation.

Discussion was had on Planning Commission Resignations. Supervisor Evans told the board that he was informed by Fred Morley that he was unable to continue his term and had resigned from the Planning Commission. Supervisor Evans said that he would post the open seat on the Township website and look for a replacements for the planning commission. Motion by Evans, supported by Modreske to accept the resignation of Fred Morley from the Planning Commission. All ayes, motion carried 5-0,

Discussion was had on Resolution 2022-04 Board Compensation Resolution. Motion by Alberda and supported by Wamhoff to approve Resolution 2022-04. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was had on the new addition to the township hall. Discussion was had on bids received for the selection of Architect for Township Hall Addition. Motion by Modreske, supported by Alberda to approve Hoppe Design as the architect for the project and allow Supervisor Evans to sign all related documents to allow the bidding process for construction to begin. Role call vote: Wamhoff - yes, Modreske - yes, Morris - yes, Alberda - yes, Evans - yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Gale Dugan entered the meeting at this time. He gave his Commissioners report from 8:23 pm to 8:45 pm.

Discussion was had on Resolution 2022-05 Authorization to allow Hopkins Township and Hopkins Village to work jointly on a Master Plan. Motion by Modreske, supported by Morris to approve. Roll call vote Wamhoff - yes, Modreske - yes, Morris - yes, Alberda - yes, Evans - yes. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was had on Road Commission Work Order LH400046 - 22nd st. from 130th ave. to 1.25 miles north and 132nd ave. East and West of 22nd st. Motion by Modreske, supported by

Wamhoff to approve the work order in the amount of \$34,500 and allow Supervisor Evans and Clerk Alberda to sign the work order. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Clerk Alberda presented discussion on the 2021/2022 budget and potential amendments that would be recommended in March. Overall the budget year is in good shape and the Township should be under budget for the 2021/2022 budget year.

Supervisor Evans and Clerk Alberda presented the 2022/2023 purposed budget. Discussion was had on the budget and the budget will be voted on at the March meeting.

Public Comment : Public comment was opened at 9:08 pm. Ken Rutgers gave public comment from 9:08 pm. to 9:10 pm. There was no other public comment and public comment closed at 9:10 pm.

Board Comment – Clerk Alberda gave the board an update to the new website which is nearing completion. Discussion was had on adding a DDA checking account. Motion by Morris supported by Wamhoff to open a DDA checking account and allow Evans, Alberda, Morris, and Timmer to be signers on the account. Roll call vote Wamhoff - yes, Modreske - yes, Morris - yes, Alberda - yes, Evans - yes. All ayes, motion carried 5-0. Supervisor Evans also gave an update on the Annexation of Hopkins Township and the City of Wayland.

Motion by Evans supported by Wamhoff to adjourn at 9:25 pm. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Eric Alberda.