Hopkins Township Board Minutes
Regular Meeting
December 12, 2022
Held At 142. E. Main St. Library Annex

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

Roll Call – Alberda, Evans, Morris, Wamhoff.

Absent – Modreske who arrived at 7:56pm.

Motion by Alberda supported by Wamhoff to approve the agenda with the addition to new item "C. Resolution to Document Township Information".. All ayes, motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Morris supported by Wamhoff to approve the minutes for the November 14, 2022 meeting with the addition of adding "Resolution 2022-21" to the Ross Rezoning paragraph. All ayes, motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Alberda supported by Wamhoff to approve the financial report as presented. All ayes, motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Wamhoff, supported by Morris to approve the bills in the amount of $46,636.44. All ayes, motion carried 4-0.

Correspondence – Supervisor Evans gave information regarding new areas receiving access to fiber optic internet. Clerk Alberda gave the board information on the Tribal Revenue Sharing meeting and noted he would be attending.

Public Comment- Public comment was opened at 7:44 pm. There was public comment. Public comment closed at 7:44 pm.

Reports:

County Commissioner Report – Commissioner Dugan was not present at this time and presented later in the meeting.

Township Hall Addition Update - Supervisor Evans gave an update on the progress of the new building project and that the proposal of bids would be going out in January and posting of accepting those bids would occur at that time as well.

County Commissioner Update - Commissioner Dugan entered the meeting and gave his report from 7:50 pm. to 8:08 pm.

At this time Trustee Modreske entered the meeting at 7:56 pm.

Update on US 131 Annexation Status - Supervisor Evans gave the board an update as to the status of the US 131 annexation. At this time no official ruling has been sent to Hopkins Township. Evans noted that legal council was checking into the status of the ruling.

Election Update - Clerk Alberda gave an update on the status of the November 2022 general election. He noted that things went smoothly overall. He also noted that in order to provide as many voting booths as possible and reduce wait times, the flow of where voters entered and exited the building had to be changed. However, election staff noted that most voters quickly saw the change and citizens flowed through the building much better then in 2020. It was also noted that wait times were much shorter than in 2020.

Old Business:

County Resolution to move offices to Dumont Lake - Motion by Modreske, supported by Alberda to table until next month. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

New Business:

2023 Board Meeting Dates - Discussion was had on Resolution 2022-22 Board Meeting Dates. After discussion a motion was made by Alberda, supported by Wamhoff to approve Resolution 2022-22 with the following correction: Change the address on page 2 from 118 Oak St. to 142 E. Main St.. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Ambulance Board Appointment - Discussion was had on Resolution 2022-23 Ambulance Board Appointment. Motion by Wamhoff, supported by Alberda to approve resolution 2022-23. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Resolution to Document Township Information - Discussion was had on Resolution 2022-24 Documenting Township Information. Motion by Modreske, supported by Wamhoff to approve. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Public Comment : Public comment was opened at 8:27 pm. Andrew Veenstra gave public comment from 8:27 pm. to 8:28 pm. There was no other public comment and public comment closed at 8:28 pm.

Board Comment – There was no other board comment.

Motion by Evans supported by Wamhoff to adjourn at 8:29 pm. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Eric Alberda.