

# Hopkins Township Board Minutes

## Regular Meeting

April 10, 2023

Held At 142. E. Main St. Library Annex

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

Roll Call – Alberda, Evans, Wamhoff, Morris.

Absent – Modreske who advised he would be late and later showed up at 7:45pm.

Motion by Alberda supported by Morris to approve the agenda with the addition to New Business “D. Election Location”. All ayes, motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Wamhoff supported by Morris to approve the minutes for the March 13, 2023 budget meeting with the addition to the dollar amounts for each budget resolution. All ayes, motion carried 4-0. Motion by Alberda, supported by Morris to approve the March 13, 2023 regular meeting minutes with the addition of Roll Call to the regular meeting minutes and change 2021/2022 to 2022/2023 as well as add “Brigance behind Ralph last name in the RVA Ventures LLC Request. All ayes motion carried 4-0.

The financials were discussed. Motion by Alberda and supported by Wamhoff to approve the financial report. All ayes, motion carried 4-0.

7:45 pm. Bob Modreske entered the meeting.

Motion by Wamhoff, supported by Modreske to approve the bills in the amount of \$39,775.94. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence – There was no correspondence.

Public Comment- Public comment was opened at 7:47 pm. There was no public comment. Public comment closed at 7:47 pm.

Reports:

County Commissioner Report – Was no report this month as the Commissioner was at other meetings.

Republic Recycling Contract Renewal - Discussion was had on the new Republic Recycling contract. Supervisor Evans advised that it was completed.

Audit Engagement Letter - Supervisor Evans advised he completed the Audit and ARPA engagement letters.

Township Hall Addition - Supervisor Evans and Clerk Alberda discussed the new hall addition. It was discussed that the downspouts would be run underground from the existing Library and Hall to prevent freezing in the winter for an additional cost. All downspouts will now be located underground directly into the storm drain.

Hilliards Park Fence - Discussion was had on the repairs needed to fencing at the Hilliards Park. Motion by Modreske, supported by Wamhoff to accept the bid of \$2,000 from Dan Lenhart to complete the work. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

County Resolution to move offices from Dumont Lake - Clerk Alberda gave an update that this has been completed and sent to the County and those who have requested it.

Memorial Day Service & Cemetery Updates - Supervisor Evans gave an update on the Memorial Day services at the Cemetery. Supervisor Evans also discussed the tree damage to the Round Andrews Cemetery.

Annexation Update - Supervisor Evans gave an update on the status of the Annexation and that the Director of LARA office had been contacted to follow up on the Annexation.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

4th of July Fire Works Permit - Discussion was had on the 4th of July Celebration in the Village. Motion by Alberda and supported by Modreske to allow Clerk Alberda and/or Supervisor Evans to sign any needed paperwork to allow the shooting of fireworks by the Village of Hopkins for the 4th of July.

Board Permission to sign work orders for Twp. Hall Construction - Discussion was had on the progress of the new hall. Motion by Alberda, supported by Wamhoff to allow Supervisor Evans and Clerk Alberda to sign work orders as needed for the new building provided that the cost stays within the budget and both Supervisor Evans and Clerk Alberda agree to the work and document such with an email. Roll Call Vote Wamhoff - yes, Modreske - yes, Morris - yes, Alberda - yes, Evans - yes. All ayes 5-0.

22nd St. Resurfacing Bids Tabulator - Discussion was had on the resurfacing of 22nd St. from 132nd to 135th ave. Motion by Modreske, supported by Alberda to allow Supervisor Evans to

sign the work order for the low bid of Rieth-Riley Construction in the amount of \$189,184.00. All ayes, motion carries 5-0.

Election Location - Discussion was had on having to move the election to the Fire Station due to construction at the current hall and accessibility and safety issue. Motion by Alberda, supported by Morris to move the election to the Fire Station located at 200 E. Main St. Hopkins, MI 49328 and give notice as required. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Public Comment : Public comment was opened at 8:13 pm. Bob Beck gave public comment from 8:13 pm. to 8:14 pm. There was no other public comment and public comment closed at 8:14 pm.

Board Comment – Clerk Alberda gave board comment that he was working on getting a claim filed for hail damage to Township buildings.

Motion by Evans supported by Wamhoff to adjourn at 8:22 pm. All ayes, motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Eric Alberda.