

Hopkins Township Board Minutes

Regular Meeting

September 14, 2020

Meeting called to order by Evans at 7:32 p.m.

Board members present: Evans, Alberda, Modreske, Wamhoff, Morris

Board members absent: None.

Motion by Alberda supported by Modreske to approve the agenda with changes to item “D” under Reports. Motion was made to add “Planning Commission Update” to item D in Reports. All Ayes.

Motion by Wamhoff, supported by Morris to approve the minutes of the regular August 10, 2020 regular meeting. All Ayes.

Discussion was had on the financial reports and Clerk Alberda and Treasurer Morris said that reconciliations have been taking place for several months now and it is going very well. Motion by Alberda supported by Wamhoff to approve the financial report. All Ayes.

Motion by Morris, supported by Modreske to pay bills as presented. All Ayes.

Correspondence- Supervisor Evans discussed a letter he received from Brian Silvernail about upcoming meetings with Wayland City. Supervisor Evans said he would be attending the 3rd meeting date. It was also noted that the letter was not received in time to make the first two meetings.

Public Comment- The board held public comment at 7:43 pm. The board heard public comment from Mary Dandrow from 7:43 pm to 7:44 pm. There was no additional public comment and public comment was closed at 7:44: pm.

Reports:

Evans gave a report to the Township Board on the progress of the Township DDA.

County Commissioner Gale Dugan gave his commissioner’s report from 7:46 pm. to 7:57 pm.

Supervisor Evans gave a Fire Board update to the Township Board.

Supervisor Evans and Trustee Wamhoff gave the Board an update to the planning commission.

Old Business:

Discussion was had on the Cemetery and Hillards park aerating and seeding request from K2 Landscaping. Motion by Wamhoff, supported by Modreske to approve the request. All ayes.

New Business:

Trash Containers, Dumpster Enclosure, Fence Painting – Discussion was made on updates to the trash containers, dumpster enclosures, and fence painting at the Cemeteries and Hillards Park. Motion was made by Modreske and supported by Wamhoff to spend up to \$4,500 for these updates on all 3 projects. All ayes.

ORV County Wide Resolution of Intent – The Board heard public comment from 8:20 pm regarding this ordinance. Ken Blaauw and Bob Beck made public comment. Public comment was closed at 8:24 pm. Motion by Modreske supported by Wamhoff to approve resolution 19-2020. Role Call Vote – Wamhoff – yes, Modreske – yes, Morris – yes, Alberda – yes, Evans – yes. Motion passed 5-0.

Appointment of Planning Commission to DDA – Motion by Wamhoff, supported by Modreske to approve Resolution 20-2020. All ayes.

Resolution Opposing Removing Local Mining Authority – Motion by Morris, supported by Wamhoff to approve Resolution 21-2020. All ayes.

Allegan County Recycling Intergovernmental Agreement – Discussion was had on the Allegan County Intergovernmental Agreement and a motion was made by Alberda and supported by Morris to approve the agreement with the removal of section 8 “Indemnification”. All ayes.

Eagle Scout Project at Maplewood Cemetery – Motion by Modreske and supported by Wamhoff to spend up to \$2,000 for a flag pole and military plaques for Maplewood Cemetery for the Eagle Scout Project. All ayes.

Public comment was opened at 8:37 pm. No public comment was made and public comment was closed at 8:37 pm.

Board Comment: Clerk Alberda gave board comment regarding the upcoming November Election.

Motion by Evans, supported by Wamhoff to adjourn at 8:41 p.m. All Ayes.

Respectfully submitted by Eric Alberda, Township Clerk