

HOPKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
February 9, 2015

Meeting called to order by Evans at 7:30 p.m.

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

Motion by Wamhoff, supported by Modreske to approve the Agenda as presented. All Ayes.

Motion by Modreske, supported by Morris to approve the minutes of last month's meeting. All Ayes.

Motion by Modreske, supported by Wamhoff to approve the financial report. All Ayes.

Motion by Morris, supported by Wamhoff to authorize the payment of bills as presented. All Ayes.

Evans & Battjes updated the Board on correspondence.

Public Comment

Bob Beck regarding revenue sharing from tribe

Mindy Genter concerns with Hilliards Park, revenue sharing funds, police protection revenue sharing & meeting public comments

Barb Bennett regarding library seat concerns.

Wamhoff updated Board on Planning Commission

Library report – none

Motion by Evans, supported by Morris to approve Resolution 2-2015 appointment of Traci Rhoades to the Hopkins District Library Board. All Ayes.

Discussion of Gun Lake Tribes response letter regarding recognition for Hilliards Park renovation.

Motion by Modreske, supported by Morris to approve Resolution 3-2015 Compensation Resolution. All Ayes.

Motion by Evans, supported by Wamhoff to approve Resolution 4-2015 Board of Review 2015 meeting dates. All Ayes.

Motion by Modreske, supported Wamhoff to approve Resolution 5-2015 2015 Poverty Guidelines Resolution. All Ayes.

Motion by Modreske, supported by Morris to approve the Fire Board Budget. All Ayes.

Motion by Battjes, supported by Modreske to not use dust control for 2015 season. Battjes, Aye; Morris, Aye; Modreske, Aye; Wamhoff, Aye; Evans, Nay.

Motion by Evans, supported by Wamhoff to complete the four recommended road projects. All Ayes.

Motion by Modreske, supported by Battjes to hire DK Landscape for park and cemetery mowing and maintenance. All Ayes.

Discussion of Budget Amendments for 2014/2015 recommendations.

Discussion of 2015/2016 Proposed Budget.

Jon Campbell updated Board on County issues

Public comment – Ken Blaau, Calvin Tuinstra, Barb Bennett

Motion by Evans, supported by Modreske to adjourn 8:47 pm. All Ayes.

Lisa Battjes, Clerk
Hopkins Township
February 2015

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Mindy Genther - concerns Hilliards park
Concerns w/ Rev sharing funds
Concerns w/ police proct. Rev sharing
Concerns w/ meeting public comments

BARB Bennett -
Library seat concern

BOB Beck - Revenue sharing
From Tribe

HOPKINS TOWNSHIP
ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015

SUBJECT: Collection of check from the Gun Lake Tribe/ Revenue Sharing Board

DATE: January 12, 2015

Whereas, In order to keep a good record and timely deposit of all revenue sharing checks from the Gun Lake Tribe/ Revenue Sharing Board, and

It Is Therefore Resolved That, all revenue sharing checks from the Gun Lake Tribe/ Revenue Sharing Board shall be mailed, electronic bank transfer or hand delivered to the Office of the Hopkins Township Treasurer.


CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY

I, Lisa Battjes, the duly elected Clerk of Hopkins Township, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Township Board of said Township at the regular meeting of said Board on Monday, January 12, 2015, at which meeting a quorum was present.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Supervisor, Mark Evans and supported by Board Member Wamhoff

Ayes: 3

Nays: 2



Lisa Battjes, Hopkins Township Clerk

1-12-15

Date

HOPKINS TOWNSHIP
ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTION # 2-2015

SUBJECT: Appointment to Hopkins District Library Board – Traci Rhoades

DATE: February 9, 2015

Whereas, it is desirable for the Township of Hopkins to officially document its appointments to positions of authority within township government, and

Whereas, the Township Board of Hopkins is empowered by the Hopkins District Library Intergovernmental Agreement to appoint Two (2) of its citizens to staggered terms of membership, and

Whereas, the Township Board of Hopkins has considered the character, commitment and qualifications of the above named individual and found her nomination to be acceptable in every respect.

It Is Therefore Resolved That, Supervisor, Mark Evans and Treasurer, Sandy Morris hereby nominate and the Township Board appoints, Traci Rhoades, contingent only on her willingness to accept appointment and perform the oath of office, to serve a term beginning February 9, 2015 and ending December 31, 2018, or until a successor is qualified.

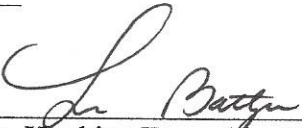
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The foregoing resolution was offered by Supervisor, Mark Evans
And supported by Treasurer, Sandy Morris.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0



Lisa Battjes, Hopkins Township Clerk

2-9-15

Date

HOPKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD
Compensation Resolution 3-2015
Effective April 1, 2015

Mileage reimbursement to coincide with IRS yearly rates.

*Cola increase of 1.016 (rounded down to nearest dollar per month. Wages take effect April 1, 2015.

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The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member

Modreske

And supported by Board Member Morris

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Lisa Battjes

Lisa Battjes, Hopkins Township Clerk

2-9-15

Date

HOPKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD
 Compensation Resolution 3-2015
 Effective April 1, 2015

	2014/2015	INCREASE	2015/2016
Supervisor, (Per Year)	\$12,792	1.016	\$12,996
Clerk, (Per year)	\$13,320	1.016	\$13,524
Treasurer (Per Year)	\$14,712	1.016	\$14,940
Trustees (Per Meeting)	\$147	0	\$147
Board of Review			
Full day	\$125	0	\$125
Half day	\$65	0	\$65
Planning Commission (Per Meeting)			
Chairman & Secretary	\$100	0	\$100
Other Board Members	\$75	0	\$75
Township Board Member	\$147	0	\$147
Board of Appeals (Per Meeting)			
Chairman & Secretary	\$100	0	\$100
Other Board Members	\$75	0	\$75
Township Board Member	\$147	0	\$147
Ambulance Board Members (Per Meeting)	\$30	0	\$30
Fire Board Members (Per Meeting)			
Officer of Fire Board	\$50	0	\$50
Other Board Members	\$30	0	\$30
(Exception: Township Board Member always \$30)			
Seminars and Special meeting Attendance Compensation			
Any member of any board			
Full day	\$100	0	\$100
Half day or evenings	\$50	0	\$50
Deputy: Clerk, Treasurer, Supervisor, Office (Per Hour)	\$12.33	1.016	\$12.53
Assessing (Per Year)	\$17,040	0	\$17,304
Sexton (per Month)	\$193	1.016	\$196
Election Officials (Per Day)	\$150	0	\$150

HOPKINS TOWNSHIP
ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTION # 4-2015

SUBJECT: Board of Review Alternate Starting Dates.

DATE: February 9, 2015

Whereas, the Township Board of Hopkins is authorized by Michigan State law, the general property tax act, **Act 206 of 1893, 211.30 Sec. 30. (2)**, to set an alternate date of the start date of the March Board of review, and

Whereas, the Township Board of Hopkins sets new dates of the March Board of Review to: the first Tuesday and Wednesday following the second Monday in March of each year, and

It Is Therefore Resolved That, the Township Supervisor declares by a majority vote of the said Board, the alternate dates of the Board of Review are approved.

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The foregoing resolution was offered by, Mark Evans, Supervisor
And supported by Board Member Wamhoff

Ayes: 5
Nays: 0



Lisa Battjes, Hopkins Township Clerk

2-9-15

Date

HOPKINS TOWNSHIP
ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTION # 5-2015

HOPKINS TOWNSHIP

2015 GUIDELINES FOR POVERTY EXEMPTIONS

The following policy and guidelines, adopted by The Hopkins Township Board, shall be followed by the Hopkins Board of Review when considering poverty exemptions:

Income Guidelines

The income guidelines used by the Board of Review have been established in accordance with P.A. 390 of 1994 and shall be adhered to unless accompanied by special circumstances. In determining qualifications for tax exemption, the Board of Review shall consider every variable on the application, including total household income, the nature and duration of the income stream, the state equalized value of the subject property, the quality and accuracy of the information submitted and any other such evidence as they feel appropriate in making their decision. In general however, these guidelines shall assist the Board of Review in their decisions.

1. **Total Assets**, other than a vehicle, personal property and the homestead being claimed, total assets may not exceed:
 - a. claimant.....\$2,500.00
 - b. household.....\$5,000.00

2. **Total Annual Income**, shall not exceed the following amount according to household size:

a. one person, the owner:	\$11,670
b. two persons:	\$15,730
c. three persons:	\$19,790
d. four persons:	\$23,850
e. five persons:	\$27,910
f. six persons:	\$31,970
g. seven persons:	\$36,030
h. eight persons:	\$40,090
for each additional person, add	\$4,060

Income limits reflect changes in "Poverty Guidelines" published annually by the State Commission, STC. The dollar amounts, above are based on the most recent STC Bulletin, No. 14 of 2014, to be used with 2015 assessments.

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The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member

 Modreshe

And supported by Board Member

 Wamhoff

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

 Lisa Battjes
Lisa Battjes, Hopkins Township Clerk

 2-9-16
Date