

HOPKINS TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
October 12, 2015

Meeting called to order by Evans at 7:34 p.m.

Board members present: Morris, Evans, Wamhoff, Modreske

Motion by Modreske, supported by Wamhoff to accept the agenda as presented. All Ayes.

Motion by Evans, supported by Wamhoff to have Morris take minutes. All Ayes

Motion by Modreske, supported by Wamhoff to correct spelling of Wila and Blauuw and add total bills \$29,152.13 to August 10, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes. All Ayes

Battjes present 7:40 p.m.

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

Motion by Modreske, supported by Morris to authorize the payment of \$91,295.23. All Ayes.

Evans and Battjes updated the Board on correspondence.

Public Comment – David Gaernant, running for State Representative, Dwight Bixler

County Commissioner, Jon Campbell updated Board on County matters.

No planning commission activity per Wamhoff.

Battjes and Morris updated Board on corrective action plan recommendations made by Gabridge.

Evans updated Board on Fire Board Truck Purchase and Fire Board matters.

Motion by Modreske, supported by Morris to pay our portion upto \$71,245.52 of the \$140,496.00 for Ford F550 4x4 crew cab type 6 rescue with skid unit from fire mileage account. All Ayes.

Motion by Wamhoff, supported by Modreske to give Evans permission to sign contract with Justice Fence for Hilliards Park, \$45,735. All Ayes.

Battjes updated Board on upcoming November Special Election.

Public Comment – none

Board Comment – Evans updated board regarding burial arrangements by Matthyse Kuiper DeGraaf of Grandville working directly with Pete Arnsman in the absence of the sexton.

Motion by Evans, supported by Modreske to adjourn 9:10 pm. All Ayes.

Lisa Battjes, Clerk
Hopkins Township
October 2015

Dear Mark,

We tried it (no dust control) and we don't like it. We put up with the constant farm equipment, buses, neighbors, in the Spring and Summer traffic and constant dust in the air. Now with Fall, the onslaught begins again with all the harvesting and school in session etc. Additionally, our road is horrible with the "wash board" effect that with the dust control, we did not encounter to this degree. The gravel held together so much better and stayed smoother throughout the warmer months. At 10 mph, making the turn into my driveway, my car bounces crazily. It's so annoying. Not our top complaint, but just as annoying, is the dirt in our pool on a daily basis. Never have we had so much maintenance to keep it vacuumed and clean. We have not had the pleasure of opening our windows at all this year. There has to be some sort of compromise here. I can't imagine how people with allergies must suffer from this dust problem. One of our sons' allergies is 'dust', however, he doesn't live here anymore. But he does like to visit.

We are hopeful that the board will look at this matter and find a way to control the dust that benefits "everyone".

Sincerely,

Joan and Joe Miller

Hopkins Twp.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Hopkins Township Board Meeting

Name -

Comment-

DAVID GERWANT
Dwight Bixler

HOUSE 80 CANDIDATE