

Hopkins Township Board Minutes

Regular Meeting

September 11, 2017

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

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

Board members absent: None.

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

Motion by Modreske, supported by Morris to approve the minutes of last month's meeting for the August 14th regular meeting. All Ayes.

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

Motion by Modreske, supported by Morris to approve the bills. The total amount of the bills to be paid is \$6,218.11 All Ayes.

Correspondence: There were 2 complaints brought to the board anonymously. The first complaint was for a building on 129th Ave. not posting permits for work being done on the home. The second complaint was for a home based business not having an approved Special Use Permit. Clerk Alberda will be forwarding the complaints to PCI for them to investigate.

Public Comment- The board listened to public comment from Bob Beck.

Reports:

Stoddard & Sons Presentation – Doug Plesner gave a presentation about expanding their business. He discussed that they would be processing a different type of waste material and discarding the material.

2018 Allegan County Oblique Photography – Evans presented information having new imagery done in Allegan County. Evans showed documents from Pictometry that showed the cost of the imagery for Allegan County.

Hopkins Area Fire Department – Evans gave an update on the fire department including the most recent Chief's report. Evans also gave an update on Wayland EMS.

ACRC Response to Culvert Resolution – Evans presented information on culverts. Evans showed documents pertaining to the costs of culverts.

Library Report – Evans gave an update on the library and stated that they are in the process of looking at ways to expand the library.

Old Business:

There was no update on the Corrective Action Plan, Evans will be contacting the Auditor again to get the information on entry's that were discussed when Treasurer Morris and Clerk Alberda met with the auditors in May.

New Business:

Fire Coverage – Evans discussed that the Wayland City Council had information that stated Hopkins Township and/or Hopkins Area Fire Board had denied fire services to the Jijak Property located on 20th St. Resolution 13-2017 was presented to clarify the false information. Modreske made a motion with support from Morris to approve resolution 13-2017. All ayes.

Public Comment- The board listened to public comment from Bob Beck. County Commissioner Gale Dugan also gave his commissioners report. Among the items discussed was that the Well inspections and permits were severely backlogged and they were working on ways to resolve that issue.

Board Comment- Evans discussed more information on the road commission and drain commission in regards to the culverts.

Motion by Evans, supported by Alberda to adjourn at 8:37p.m. All Ayes.

Respectfully submitted by Eric Alberda, Township Clerk

HOPKINS TOWNSHIP
ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTION # 13-2017

SUBJECT: Resolution to clarify the false information that was giving to the Wayland City Council to provide fire service to the Jijak Camp property owned by MATCH-E-BE-NASH- SHE-WISH Band of Potawatomi Indians of Michigan. A/K/A (Gun Lake Tribe).

DATE: September 11, 2017

Whereas: false information was given to the Wayland City Council that Hopkins Township and/or Hopkins Area Fire Board denied fire service to the Jijak property that is wholly encompassed within Hopkins Township and the false information provided have been material to Wayland City Council's decision to provide fire service to the Jijak Camp Property, and,

Whereas: the City of Wayland on or before its July 5, 2017 meeting, was given false information that there is a mutual aid agreement on the Jijak Property, and

Whereas: neither the Hopkins Township Board or the Hopkins Area Fire Board has never denied fire service to the Jijak properties or any property owned by the Gun Lake Tribe and,

Whereas: Hopkins Township, with its Partner Hopkins Area Fire Board, wishes to continue its long standing, great working relationship with the City of Wayland and the Wayland Fire Department, and

Whereas: to the date of this resolution, Hopkins Township nor the Hopkins Area Fire Board does not have a mutual aid agreement or an agreement with the Gun Lake Tribe to provide fire service to the Jijak or any property in trust owned by the Gun Lake Tribe, and

Whereas: to the date of this resolution the Gun Lake Tribe has not made any attempts to negotiate any type of fire agreement with either the Hopkins Township Board or the Hopkins Area Fire Board, and

Whereas: the Jijak Camp property is approximately 1.92 Miles from the Hopkins Fire Station and approximately 9.92 miles from Wayland City Fire Station.

Whereas: Hopkins Township has always been willing to work with all neighboring units of government, by partnering with three units of government in our fire agreement, ten in our ambulance agreement, three in our Library agreement, and

Therefore it Be Further Resolved That: Hopkins Township is and has always been willing to negotiate an agreement with the Gun Lake Tribe to provide fire service to the Jijak Camp and is bringing forth this resolution to set the record straight and to contest the false information that the City of Wayland acted upon at its July 5, 2017 meeting.

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY

I, Eric Alberda, 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, September 11, 2017 at which meeting a quorum was present.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member

Bob Modreske
And supported by Board Member Sandy Morris

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0


Eric Alberda, Hopkins Township Clerk

9-12-17
Date