

HOPE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

MARCH 9, 2010- 7:00PM

HOPE TOWNSHIP FIRE HALL

BOARD MEMBERS:

Andy Kobisa...Supervisor

JoAnn Wilkie....Clerk

Starleen Eddy..Treasurer

Mary Jo letts...Trustee

Bob Davis.....Trustee

Visitors:

List with Clerk

SUPERVISOR IS RECORDING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order with the Supervisor leading those present to the pledge to the flag at 7:00pm.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

1) ROAD ADVISARY COMMISSION REPORT-

Jim Hockameyer gave the report now as he had to leave. The Road Commission has stated that road work can be put in by April 15, 2010 to be done in the 2010 road work schedule. Jim will call a road advisory meeting and bring back details at the April Board meeting. The Board can make decision and still have it in by April 15.

- 2) Stephanie Glysson, from Republic Services, was present to offer the Township a new five year contract to renew now. The Township contract expires in December 2010, and a new consideration would have to be decided by then. A mistake on Republic's accounting in this contract made a 5% increase to Hope's bill. The residential cost went from \$7.31 to \$7.87 now and to remedy the mistake it has stayed at \$7.87 instead of the \$8.45 where it would have increased to.

REPUBLIC'S SOLID WASTE CONTRACT OFFER FOR FIVE YEARS(2015)

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>OPTION I (same as now)</u>	<u>OPTION II a (trash cart leased)</u>
1 st	Cost would be.....\$8.37month	Cost would be....\$8.45month
2 nd	Cost would be.....\$8.64month	Cost would be.....\$8.72month
3 rd	Cost would be.....\$8.92month	Cost would be.....\$9.00month
4 th	Cost would be.....\$9.20month	Cost would be.....\$9.29month
5 th	Cost would be.....\$9.49month	Cost would be\$9.59month

Both quotes are a 3.25% increase each year thereafter.

Option 11b

1 st	Cost would be.....\$8.45
2 nd	Cost would be.....\$8.66
3 rd	Cost would be.....\$8.91
4 th	Cost would be.....\$9.22
5 th	Cost would be.....\$9.58

This is an adjustable % increase per year of-2nd yr-2.5%, 3rd yr. of 3%, 4th yr. of 3.5% and the 5th yr. a 4% increase.

The new trash carts would remain property of Republic and if one is damaged or stolen and not the residents fault, Republic will replace it at no cost to resident. If damage is residents fault, they will have to pay \$55.00 to replace cart. The Board decided to table their decision until April's meeting.

CLERK'S MINUTES:

The clerk's minutes, from the Feb. 9, 2010 meeting, had been distributed earlier. Bob moved and Mary seconded to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT:

The treasurer gave the finance report as of February 28, 2010. The delinquent taxes were turned over to County Treasurer. Bob moved and Mary seconded to accept the financial report. Starleen brought up idea of having a welcome wagon for people moving into the Township. She will get together a list of items available to Hope residents.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

The list of outstanding bills had been distributed with the minutes. Bob moved to pay the outstanding bills for the General, Solid waste and Fire Dept. bills- Starleen seconded and a roll call vote was polled-

Mary yes Bob yes JoAnn yes Starleen yes Andy yes

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

FIRE DEPT:

Fire Chief reported 3 runs in Feb., 1 med., 1 fire and 1 good intent. Trucks #930 and 931 have been repaired by Circle K. There has been one resignation by Nick Tucker, who has moved to a different township. There is one member to vote on next month. John has picked up the five new fire extinguishers. There is three for the Chapel and two for the park. John is looking for three bids for cutting down tree by fire station. He has two at this time. John has found two cost recovery ordinances; he will redo them for the Fire Dept.'s needs. He would like the ordinance to go to our lawyer to make sure it covers everything the Fire Dept. needs. The fire station door is going to be fixed tomorrow (Wednesday.)

PARK COMMISSION:

A meeting was held March 2, but because two members had not been sworn in, there was not a quorum to hold an official meeting. It was decided to hold a short meeting before the Board meeting to approve the bills. Larry Maxwell and Starla Jordan were sworn in as new park members. Starla has called Consumers and they are going to get both electric bills in the mail at the same time. Don Dice is the park caretaker for this year.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The Master Plan was presented but because some of errors had not been corrected, it will be tabled until April's meeting. Andy will get back with Diane to have errors corrected. The next Planning Com. Meeting is May 5, 2010.

WATER DISTRICT:

District #1- new pumps are not ready to use yet. They should be ready by the end of April. They will be using the old pumps until then.

Hope's process of getting the petitions signed and turned in is progressing very well. Three residents were present and stated they had not been contacted or did not have any information concerning the water. The Supervisor will get information to them .

CHAPEL/CEMETERY:

There will be no meeting until later. Gary Clark will continue to do the mowing.

TOWNSHIP CODE AUTHORITY:

There have been good results with the new Building Inspector and Electrical Inspector. The next meeting will be March 25, 2010.

WIXOM LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD REPORT:

No meeting until spring. Ed Briggs is the Representative from Hope Township.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The snowmobile Ordinance is with the Planning Commission, it will be discussed at their next meeting on May 7, 2010.

NEW BUSINESS:

Civil Engineers submitted a bill for assisting the Supervisor complete a pre-application form for a grant to USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT, for the water line expenses. The bill was for \$2000.00 to Civil Engineers and the form had to be in by February 26, 2010. JoAnn moved to pay Civil Engineers and Bob seconded the motion; a roll call vote was polled-

Starleen yes Mary yes Bob yes JoAnn yes Andy yes

Bob moved to adjourn at 8:50PM

Hope Township Clerk

JoAnn Wilkie