

HASTINGS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
Minutes of the August 11, 2020
Regular Board Meeting

Call to Order -Pledge to the Flag: 7:00 pm by Supervisor Jim Brown at the township hall

Roll Call: Supervisor J. Brown, Clerk A. Mennell, Treasurer J. Phillips, Trustees T. McNally, W. Wetzel, and K. Murphy . Trustee J. Partridge excused absence.

Also Present: 2 guests

Public Comment

Scott Savage introduced himself.

Consent Agenda: Motion made by Trustee Wetzel, seconded by Trustee McNally to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2020 regular meeting, and other consent agenda items **MOTION CARRIED** by voice vote – 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent

County Commissioner Report:

H. Gibson – spoke about current county board activity including Covid Fund grant application, tactical vest replacements, transit busses in service and rally approved on Courthouse lawn

Unfinished Business:

1. Generator installation completed
2. Tabulator grant approved by State.

New Business:

1. Kitchen water heater is leaking and in need of replacement, Supervisor will contact Carpenter Plumbing.
2. Clerk Mennell motioned to increase the budget for the Board of Review category by \$500.00 due to now having an alternate member and increasing the Cemetery expense category by \$2,000.00 due to check made out to township in error and other repair and miscellaneous items. Motion seconded by Trustee Wetzel. **MOTION CARRIED** by voice vote – 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent

Warrants presented for payment- Motion by Trustee McNally and seconded by Trustee Wetzel to approve the warrants totaling \$25,967.90. **MOTION CARRIED** by voice vote – 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1

Dept. Reports:

****Treasurer's Report:** Taxes collection has slowed down. Motion by Trustee McNally, seconded by Trustee Murphy to accept the treasurers report as presented, **MOTION CARRIED** by voice vote – 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent

****Clerk's Report:** 812 ballots tabulated including 417 absent voter ballots, 56 additional ballots sent out but not returned, had slight problem with Tabulator reading ballots. Will have second tabulator for the AV ballots for November election. Already receiving more applications for absentee voter ballots for November. Received two FOIA requests for how elections are handled and tabulator reports, etc.

****Supervisor Report –**Met on July 17th to discuss teaming up with Eaton County on the Sunfield recycling center and each county putting in \$10,000 for operation startup. DEQ letter received regarding the change in the levels allowed in PFAS and Waste Management having one closed cell slightly over the new lower limit allowed. Additional parking request was approved for the Canoe Livery at a special meeting. Will contact Murrays Asphalt about setting date for parking lot repavement in September. Asked Board to consider joining the Great Lakes Renewable Energy council instead of his individual membership when his annual membership expires. Dues are \$160.00 year, was requested he get Board more information about group such as website so we can review organization.

Public Comments – none

Board member comments:

McNally –Preibe property on Code enforcement list has been cleaned up, Wetzel asked about Sept. meeting if still being held at Charlton Park, decided to not go there this year. Brown received call about trailer on fire property on Powell Road. Mennell – Halifax Services agreed to clean the hall and office for \$100.00 per month, started August 1st.

Adjourn: Motion by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Wetzel to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED by voice vote, all ayes.

Meeting adjourned 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Anita S. Mennell – Clerk

Approved _____

Clerk _____

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