

HASTINGS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
Minutes of the December 14, 2021
Regular Board Meeting

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

Roll Call: Supervisor J. Brown, Clerk A. Mennell, Treasurer J. Phillips, Trustees, S. Savage, T. McNally, W. Wetzel and J. Partridge

Also Present: 3 guests

Public Comment

None

Consent Agenda: Motion made by Trustee Wetzel, seconded by Trustee Savage to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2021 regular meeting, and other consent agenda items. MOTION CARRIED – 7 ayes and 0 nays.

County Commissioner –

Comm. Gibson spoke on committee appointments, Grant applications, service awards and other happenings at their meetings

Previous Business

1. Motion by Wetzel, second by Savage to approve the 2022 Budget for the General fund and Special assessments Funds of the Library fund and Sewer fund. Roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED – 7 ayes and 0 nays.

New Business:

1. Motion by Treasurer Phillips and seconded by Supervisor Brown to approve the dates for the 2022 calendar year and to move the meeting time to 6:30 P.M. MOTION CARRIED – 7 ayes and 0 nays.
2. Motion made by Supervisor Brown to use the Federal 2022 Poverty guidelines with no increases or adjustments and an asset level test of \$15,000.00. Roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED – 7 ayes and 0 nays.
3. Motion by Trustee Partridge and seconded by Trustee McNally to approve the increase in the 2021 budget by \$3,750.00 requested by Clerk Mennell. Expense centers to be increased are; Clerks for \$500.00, Treasurer for \$500.00, Elections by \$900.00, Cemetery by \$750.00 and Leach Lake by \$1,100.00. Roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED – 7 ayes and 0 nays.
4. Board approved having Supervisor Brown sign the five-year contract renewal for Mercy Ambulance Services.

Warrants presented for payment- Motion by Trustee Savage and seconded by Trustee Wetzel to approve the warrants totaling \$13,545.34. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote– 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Dept. Reports:

**Treasurer’s Report: tax payments are coming in faster than usual. Motion by Trustee McNally, seconded by Trustee Savage to accept the treasurers report as presented, ALL MOTIONS CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 ayes and 0 nays.

**Clerk’s Report: received few calls regarding removal of items in fall cleanup in the cemetery, expect more come Spring, BC Road Comm. will be making presentation at January meeting. State mandating video camera on ballot drop boxes come June. Legality of 3-minute public comment enforcement.

**Supervisor Report: no response back yet on installation of 4-way stop at Center and State Rd. Recycling doing well with pickup twice a week.

Public Comments –

What does BIRCH stand for?

Board member comments:

Citizen wanted phone calls prior to decoration removal.

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

Meeting adjourned 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Anita S. Mennell – Clerk

Approved _____ Clerk

Date _____

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