

HASTINGS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
Minutes of the March 9, 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, W. Wetzel, S. Savage J. Partridge, and T. McNally.

Also Present: 2 guests

Public Comment

None

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

Jack Ward- Code Enforcement

Spoke on complaints open in our township as compared to other township, cleanup of Powell Rd fire site

Previous Business

1. Work order in process with Consumers Energy for two street lights on River Rd.

New Business:

1. Trustee McNally motioned to pay Clerk Mennell \$105.00 per meeting for being the Zoom meeting facilitator for the Board of Review hearings, motion seconded by Trustee Wetzel. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 -ayes, 0 nays
2. Motion by Trustee McNally to authorize Clerk Mennell to purchase a laptop, docking station and monitor for elections and remote meetings for a sum not to exceed \$2,000.00, Trustee Wetzel seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays
3. Halifax Service contract expires April 30, 2021. Board reviewed renewal contract which increases the Cemetery maintenance to \$9900.00 per year from \$9000.00 and the Township Hall lawn maintenance to \$3,600.00 per year from \$3,000.00. There has been no increase for six years, discussion on continuity of provider especially as it relates to the cemetery. Motion made by Trustee Partridge and seconded by Trustee Wetzel to accept the bid from Halifax Services for the contract period of May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2024. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays
4. Discussion on allowing a seconded burial monument stone on a grave site. Approved allowing the second stone but second monument must be behind original stone and lay flat so as not to encumber the lawn maintenance.

Warrants presented for payment- Motion by Trustee Wetzel and seconded by Trustee McNally to approve the warrants totaling \$99,120.95. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Dept. Reports:

**Treasurer's Report: Presented a list of Financial Institution and Depositories for approval and signatures. Motion by Trustee McNally, seconded by Trustee Wetzel to accept the treasurers report as presented, MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays.

**Clerk's Report: election equipment serviced

**Supervisor Report: April 12th date for tentative funding for fire barn renovation, City Manager leaving may cause delay in project. Attended recycling conference via Zoom

Public Comments –

None

Board member comments:

Savage complimented Brown on article in Reminder, Partridge asked about the Sundago park trailer issue and if resolved.

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

Meeting adjourned 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Anita S. Mennell – Clerk

Approved _____ Clerk

Date _____