

**HASTINGS CHARTER TOWNSHIP**  
**Minutes of the November 10, 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 J. Partridge. K. Murphy absent

Also Present: 4 guests

Public Comment

None

Consent Agenda: Motion made by Trustee Wetzel, seconded by Trustee McNally to approve the minutes of the Oct. 13, 2020 regular meeting, and other consent agenda items MOTION CARRIED by voice vote – 6 ayes, 0 nays.

County Commissioner Report:

None

Budget Hearing

Motion at 7:02 pm by Clerk Mennell, seconded by trustee partridge to close the regular meeting, motion carried. Motion by Clerk Mennell and seconded by Trustee Wetzel at 7:03 pm to open the budget hearing, motion approved. Discussion about State shared revenue, amounts spent through Oct. 31, 2020 and Highways for 2020. No comments from the audience. No changes recommended, final budget will be present at the December meeting for approval. Motion by Trustee Wetzel and seconded by Clerk to close the budget hearing at 7:11 pm, motion approved. Motion by Clerk Mennell and seconded by Trustee McNally at 7:12 pm to re-open the regular board meeting, motion approved.

New Business:

1. First reading of Ordinance 2020-01, Ordinance Addressing Floodplain Management Provisions of the State Construction Code. This is regarding FEMA and the insurance available to owners of property in flood zones. Motion by Supervisor Brown and seconded by Trustee McNally to approve the ordinance and publish in local paper and give final approval after required time. Motion carried.
2. Trustee Partridge motioned and Trustee Wetzel seconded Clerk Mennell increasing the budget categories of Board of Review for \$250.00, Street Lighting for \$2,800.00 (for fixture installed near Sundago Park), and Recycling for \$800.00. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 6 ayes, 0 nays.
3. BIRCH annual meeting will be discussing amount to request from members for the Equipment Fund in 2021 and looking over the renovation and addition plans for the current fire station
4. Discussion on Cemetery cleanup notice. Consented by all to publish notice of required clean out of all flowers, plants or decoration by December 1, 2020 or they will be removed per Boards orders by the Sexton. Have had notice posted in Message center in Cemetery but it is being ignored.

Warrants presented for payment- Motion by Trustee Wetzel and seconded by Supervisor Brown to approve the warrants totaling \$19,227.81. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 6 ayes, 0 nays.

Dept. Reports:

\*\*Treasurer's Report: interest received rates still low, will be mailing out winter property tax notices December 1<sup>st</sup>. Motion by Trustet McNally, seconded by Supervisor Brown to accept the treasurers report as presented, MOTION CARRIED by voice vote – 6 ayes, 0 nays.

\*\*Clerk's Report: had problem with tabulator software election night, strong turnout, new terms for elected township officials starts at noon on November 20th.

\*\*Supervisor Report: Hearing for the Meadow Lane Drain project this Thursday, many returnables are being placed in the aluminum cans bins will investigate setting up collection bin. Brackets installed on recycle bins working great

Public Comments –

None.

Board member comments:

Phillips on the visibility with new street light at corner of M-79 and M-37. Partridge asking about four year plan for the township.

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

Meeting adjourned 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anita S. Mennell – Clerk

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

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