

HASTINGS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
Minutes of the November 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, S. Savage, T. McNally, and W. Wetzel. Trustee absent J. Partridge

Also Present: 5 guests

Public Comment

None

Consent Agenda: Motion made by Trustee McNally, seconded by Trustee Wetzel to approve the minutes of the Oct. 12, 2021 regular meeting, and other consent agenda items. MOTION CARRIED – 6 ayes, 1 absent and 0 nays.

Barry County Compliance Officer

Commentary from Jack Ward on the areas in violation in our township and County wide.

Closing of Regular meeting for Special Sessions

Motion made at 7:14 p.m. by Clerk Mennell and seconded by Supervisor to close the regular meeting and open the Leach Lake Weed Control Special Assessment Hearing, motion approved with 6 ayes and 0 nays. Clerk Mennell presented the charts of areas to be on the Leach Lake Weed Assessment for the years 2022 thru 2026. No requests for any changes received, the assessment roll was approved and will be on the winter tax bills for the next five years. Motion made at 7:18 to close the Special Assessment hearing by Supervisor Brown and seconded by Trustee Wetzel. Motion approved with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

Motion by Clerk to open the Budget hearing at 7:19 p.m., seconded by Trustee McNally, motion approved with 6 ayes and 0 nays. Clerk Mennell presented the 2022 preliminary General Fund Budget for review, discussion on increasing the Fire preliminary budget to \$94,000.00, the Election budget to \$15,000.00. Changes will be made to the 2022 Budget for the final approval at the December 2021 regular meeting. Motion at 7:22 p.m. to close the Budget Hearing and reopen the regular meeting by Clerk Mennell and seconded by Supervisor Brown, motion approved with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

Previous Business

1. None

New Business:

1. Motion by Trustee McNally, seconded by Treasurer Phillips for the Board to submit a letter to the Barry County Rd Commission requesting the placement of a four-way stop sign on the corners of Center Rd and Charlton Park Road. Multiple fatal accidents have occurred at this intersection, motion approved with 6 ayes and 0 nays

Warrants presented for payment- Motion by Trustee Wetzel and seconded by Trustee Savage to approve the warrants totaling \$14,784.00. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote– 6 ayes, 1 absent and 0 nays.

Dept. Reports:

**Treasurer's Report: Motion by Trustee McNally, seconded by Trustee Savage to accept the treasurers report as presented, ALL MOTIONS CARRIED by roll call vote – 6 ayes, 1 absent and 0 nays.

**Clerk's Report: placed notice in papers regarding cemetery cleanup in November, library representative Mary Rivett agreed to continue for another term.

**Supervisor Report: starting work on contract renewal between BIRCH and Mercy Ambulance, 911 board member Doug Peck will be renewed if no objection from Townships. Attended the Michigan Recycling Coalition meeting in Bay City and received a call from the Office of Wayne State Sustainability dept. regarding the Pizza Box project.

Public Comments –

Question on joint health departments, the redistricting map for the County and Mercy ambulance.

Board member comments:

None

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

Meeting adjourned 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Anita S. Mennell – Clerk

Approved _____ Clerk

Date _____