

**HASTINGS CHARTER TOWNSHIP**  
**Minutes of the October 13, 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, a K. Murphy and J. Partridge.

Also Present: 8 guests

Public Comment

Don Haney about new project for assisted living, Harvest Point at Thornapple Manor.  
Superintendent Remenap of Hastings area schools introduced self, plans on attending one meeting per year of all townships in district. Dawn Gardner spoke about problems with her property on Powell Rd.

Consent Agenda: Motion made by Trustee Wetzel, seconded by Trustee McNally to approve the minutes of the Sept. 8, 2020 regular meeting, and other consent agenda items MOTION CARRIED by voice vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays.

County Commissioner Report:

H. Gibson on current Commissioner tasks

Unfinished Business:

1. New light installed at corner of Sundago Rd and River Rd.. Now for other corners in need of light please consider best placement.

New Business:

1. Passed Resolution 2020-05 to establish 2021 Salary and hourly wages.
2. Treasurer Phillips requested permission to have a locked mailbox for incoming mail. Useful for both mailed in tax payments and mailed back ballots. Motion by trustee McNally and seconded by Trustee Wetzel for Treasurer to purchase and have installed a lockable mailbox for a cost not to exceed \$500.00. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays.
3. Clerk Mennell requested permission to have the Cemetery message box which contains rule of the Cemetery moved to corner of Section 6 to make it more visible for current areas of activity. MOTION CARRIED by voice vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays.
4. Supervisor Brown presented draft of Michigan Community Resolution and Intergovernmental Agreement to Manage Floodplain Development for the National Flood Insurance. Residents of SunDago Park area are in danger of losing flood protection unless a resolution is updated in State records. Requested consent to send a draft of proposal to let State know we are working on a Resolution. MOTION CARRIED by voice vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Warrants presented for payment- Motion by Trustee Wetzel and seconded by Trustee Murphy to approve the warrants totaling \$17,948.76. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Dept. Reports:

\*\*Treasurer's Report: Quarterly interest received rates still low. Motion by Trustee McNally, seconded by Trustee Murphy to accept the treasurers report as presented, MOTION CARRIED by voice vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays.

\*\*Clerk's Report: approx. 650 absentee ballot requested thus far for November election. New tabulator has arrived, original tabulator taken to County for maintenance. Have one official write In for Trustee position, 2021 Budget will be presented at next meeting. Will have officials take Oath directly after November 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**\*\*Supervisor Report:** presented prototype of recycling card, Sunfield recycling Center plans to reopen so plans for usage scrapped. Spoke about usage of other County residents using our module.

Public Comments –

Dawn Gardner about speeders on Powell Rd, Ted Casavez regarding planning and zoning in township.

Board member comments:

Partridge asked about funds being received from State Revenue sharing and impact on 2021 budgeted income. Brown on impact of Covid on BIRCH.

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

Meeting adjourned 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anita S. Mennell – Clerk

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

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