

HASTINGS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
Minutes of the September 13, 2016
Regular Board Meeting Held at Charlton Park

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

Roll Call: Brown, A. Mennell, Phillips, K Murphy, R. Mennell, Partridge and Wetzel.

Also Present: Ben Geiger, Julie Calley, Dan Patton, Doris Hale, Rick Moore and Jack Ward

Public Comment

Regarding the Millage for Charlton Park

Consent Agenda: Motion by Murphy and seconded by Wetzel to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2016 regular meeting and other consent agenda items. MOTION CARRIED by voice vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Unfinished Business

1. Vacant cemetery land – Supervisor Brown has not yet spoken with John Lenz regarding his farming Of township property sold by his father to the township for the cemetery expansion.

New Business:

1. Motion by Partridge and seconded by Brown to approve the L-4029 township millage proposal for the 2016 Winter taxes. MOTION CARRIED – 7 ayes, 0 nays
2. Established the 2016 November General Election Commission to be comprised of Trustees Partridge and R. Mennell along with Clerk Mennell. Committee scheduled to meet directly after the October 11, 2016 regular board meeting.
3. Motioned by Supervisor Brown and seconded by Wetzel to approve the bid by ~~Murphy~~ Murrays Asphalt to resurface and paint the parking lot for the amount not to exceed \$1,600.00 this fall. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays
4. Motion by Partridge and seconded by Wetzel to hire Halifax Services to maintain on a weekly basis the switching around of bins and pickup inside of the recycling module for a sum not to exceed \$250.00 per month for a trial period ending December 31, 2016. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays

Warrants presented for payment- Motion by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee R. Mennell to approve the warrants totaling \$11,820.81. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote – 7 ayes, 0 nays

Dept. Reports:

**County Comm. Report – Ben Geiger

**E-911: - Service Contract renewal being turned over to County Commissioners for their review.

**Treasurer's Report: Motion by Murphy, seconded by Wetzel to accept the treasurer's report as presented and place on file. MOTION CARRIED by roll call vote 7 ayes, 0 nays

**Clerk –shall we increase the wages for employee (other that the Board of Review approved at last months meeting). All agreed to leave balance of pay categories at the 2016 rate for 2017.

**Supervisor Brown – Meeting held at the township hall on the McKeown Bridge project very informative and interesting. \$400.000. grant received for the project. Thornapple Twp. has requested a presentation on the Recycling Module at their board meeting.

Public Comments – Julie Calley introduced herself and spoke on her desires for the State Representatives office being vacated due to term limitation.

Board member comments:

Murphy on the need for the Charlton Park Millage and a Thank You to Dan Patton for allowing us to hold our September meeting at the former Hastings Township Hall, Wetzel on the dangers of pedestrian traffic

on South Broadway especially on the hills. Partridge on the need for skilled trade worker training, not everyone needs to attend college.

Adjourn: Motion by J. Brown, seconded by k. Wetzel to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED by voice vote, all ayes. Meeting adjourned 8:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Anita S. Mennell – Clerk