

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF HAMPTON  
REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 13, 2020

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Hampton Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Supervisor in the parking lot of the Hampton Township Administrative Offices.

The pledge of allegiance was given to the flag.

The invocation was read and a moment of silence observed.

PRESENT: DuRussel, Klass, Samyn, Wisniewski, Close, Wright, Hugo

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Benchley, Hewitt, Worden & approx. 45 people in the audience

Motion by Hugo seconded by Wisniewski that the minutes of the September 28, 2020 regular meeting be approved as printed and that the reading of the minutes be waived. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Motion by Klass seconded by DuRussel that the Public Safety Report for September 2020 be received. Motion carried.

AUDITORS REPORT:

Motion by Klass seconded by DuRussel that the following warrants be approved for payment:

#47614 - #47661	General Fund	\$ 91,062.42
#3203	Building Fund	28.47
#4147 - #4149	Sewer Fund	9,832.88
#6976 - #6987	Tax Fund	88,189.16
#1789 - #1790	Water Fund	2,022.68
#304	SAW Grant Fund	21,096.08
		<u>\$ 212,231.69</u>

AYES: Klass, DuRussel, Hugo, Wisniewski, Samyn, Wright, Close

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

At this time the meeting was opened to the public for anyone wishing to address “new business” topics. There will be an open to the public sessions during the “unfinished business” for those that want to address the transfer station/curbside pick-up issue.

Sandy Satkowiak, addressed the Table 1 changes proposed for Ordinance No. 36A-26; and questioned the 3% penalty resolution.

Public portion of the meeting was closed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

History of the transfer station and the rate increases imposed by GFL that is why the township is looking at curbside pick-up of trash as an option.

Motion by Close seconded by Hugo to open to the public for anyone wishing to address this issue - 2 minute time limit and address the Board only one time. Motion carried.

Sandy Satkowiak, presented the Board with a sheet of suggestions to be handed out with each purchase of a transfer station permit: showing ID; composting and signage.

Sharon English, 1068 N. Knight Road, addressed the possibility of the township placing solar panels on its buildings to help with cost; and the use of volunteers to check IDs at the transfer station.

Pat Vereyken, stated that the possible closing of the transfer station should have went to a vote of the people; not for the Board to decide.

Chad Milkowski, 119 Tuscola Road, stated never has had his card checked; possibility of the township starting their own trash collection service.

Doreen Reisig, 1052 Orchard Road, try it for one year - but the transfer station needs to be managed better.

Unidentified woman, suggested sending a letter to all residents asking what their opinion is - yeah or nay on keeping the transfer station open.

Bill Karner, 573 W. Borton Road, addressed the transfer station attendant position and what will happen to him.

Mary Smith, 1164 W. Hampton Road, addressed farmers using the transfer station - not just household waste.

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Janet Graczyk, 1114 W. Borton Road, stated everyone needs to have their permit checked every time they use the transfer station.

Greg Bouvrette, 2143 Avalon Circle, everyone pay a certain amount; recyclables too - not just dumping.

Bev Stange, Orchard Road, what would the township do without the transfer station especially at this time of year?

BJ Ross, Bowker Road, asked if the township owns the equipment at the dump?; get rid of recycling.

Doug McClain, 421 W. Borton Road, transfer station is an asset and a convenience; find other money to help.

Janet Wisniewski, put to a vote.

Robert Neering, 1173 E. Nebobish Road, addressed reasons for cost increase.

Brent Maze, 1374 Boutell Road, \$200 yearly permits still cheaper than curbside pick-up.

Unidentified gentleman, addressed the conveniences of curbside pick-up; nobody likes change.

Unidentified gentleman, why can't the recyclables be compacted? Recycling used to pay but not anymore.

Bill Neering, 1083 E. Nebobish Road, do all township residents even know that the transfer station exists?

At the time the public portion of the meeting was closed.

Motion by Hugo seconded by DuRussel that the township include with the next water/sewer billing a questionnaire for the residents to fill out and return asking if they use the transfer station; would be willing to pay \$200 for an annual permit vs. \$210 for cost of curbside. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Hugo seconded by Wisniewski that the following budget adjustments be approved:

<u>DECREASE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>NEW BUDGET</u>
101-890-956.000			
Contingency	1,831,072	23,150	1,807,922
101-209-803.000			
Assessor - Cont. Service	55,000	685	54,315
101-265-702.000			
Bldg & Grds. - Salary	38,700	6,025	32,675
101-294-880.000			
Public Relations - Promotions	3,900	50	3,850
101-336-740.000			
Fire - Operating Supplies	4,000	440	3,560
101-444-803.000			
O&M Drain - Oper. Supplies	95,020	5,750	89,270
101-890-956.000			
Contingency	1,807,922	54,765	1,753,157
249-201-970.000			
GSA - Capital	275	275	-0-
249-890-956.000			
Contingency	48,321	25	48,296
590-536-740.000			
Sewer - Oper. Supplies	35,000	10,000	25,000
590-536-740.001			
Sewer - Chemicals	35,000	5,000	30,000
590-536-803.000			
Contracted Services	60,000	15,000	45,000
590-536-956.000			
Miscellaneous	20,000	15,000	5,000
590-890-956.000			
Contingency	1,897,065	5,130	1,891,935
591-537-800.001			
Water - Other Charges	684,000	30,055	653,945

<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>NEW BUDGET</u>
101-201-702.000			
GSA - Salaries	29,000	21,500	50,500
101-201-715.000			
GSA - FICA	2,219	1,650	3,869
101-209-956.000			
Assessor - Miscellaneous	500	685	1,185
101-265-930.000			
Bldg & Grds - Bldg. Maint.	45,000	6,025	51,025
101-294-956.000			
Public Relations - Misc.	100,000	50	100,050
101-336-721.000			
Fire - Uniforms	2,015	200	2,215
101-336-956.000			
Fire - Miscellaneous	1,000	240	1,240
101-444-803.000			
O&M Drain - Cont. Services	125,000	5,750	130,750
101-753-970.000			
Railtrail - Capital	10,000	54,756	64,765
249-201-727.000			
GSA - Office Supplies	500	300	800
590-536-972.001			
Main Maintenance	30,000	50,130	80,130
591-537-803.000			
Contracted Services	3,000	29,300	32,300
591-537-805.001			
Lead & Copper testing	15,000	170	15,170
591-537-920.000			
Utilities	500	585	1,085

AYES: Hugo, Wisniewski, DuRussel, Klass, Samyn, Wright, Close  
 NAYS: None  
 Motion carried.

Motion by Wisniewski seconded by Hugo that the introduction of Table 1 to the Zoning Ordinance be tabled. Motion carried.

Motion by DuRussel seconded by Hugo that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION TO IMPOSE 3% LATE PENALTY CHARGE  
ON PROPERTY TAX COLLECTIONS

WHEREAS, the Township of Hampton, Bay County, Michigan is responsible for assessing ad valorem property taxes, collecting property tax levies, and handling review and appeal matters arising therefrom, and

WHEREAS, PA 206 of 1893, MCI 211.44(3), provides for imposition of a late penalty charge equal to 3% of the tax on all taxes (including deferments) paid after February 14 and before March 1, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Township Board to encourage the timely payment of taxes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Township Board of Hampton Township that: The Township Board does hereby approve and authorize the imposition of a late penalty charge equal to 3% of the tax on all taxes (including deferments) paid after February 14, and before March 1.

This resolution shall apply to all property tax levies that shall become due in 2021 or any year thereafter and this resolution shall continue in full force and effect unless and until revoked or rescinded by resolution of the Hampton Township Board.

AYES: DuRussel, Hugo, Wisniewski, Klass, Samyn, Wright, Close  
NAYS: None  
Motion carried.

ATTORNEY REPORT:

Hewitt had no report.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Motion by Hugo seconded by Wisniewski that the Planning Commission minutes of April 2, 2020 and June 11, 2020 be received. Motion carried.

OFFICER/TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Motion by Wisniewski seconded by Hugo that the August financial reports be received from the Clerk. Motion carried.

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Treasurer addressed volunteer work (yard & landscaping) done by Independent Bank at the Fire Department & Senior Building.

OPEN TO THE PUBIC:

Sandy Satkowiak, addressed signs at Landfill; curbside pick-up and recycling.

Chad Milkowski, 119 Tuscola Road, asked if the township makes money from the scrap metal deposited at the transfer station. If the transfer station closes then maybe the township could continue to have dumpster somewhere for scrap metal drop off.

Bill Neering, Nebobish Road, if not enough permits are sold be the end of February what will happen to the transfer station?

Public portion of the meeting was closed.

Motion by DeWyse seconded by Hugo that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m..

Respectfully submitted:

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Pamela J. Wright, Clerk

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Terri Close, Supervisor