

4 April 2018 Regular Meeting

The Chairman, Terry Erber, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm in the Township Hall. (new meeting time)

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D Wasylewski, Terry Erber and Ross Payton.

Absent: Mitchell Barrows.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the budget hearing and the previous meeting. A motion by Terry Erber to accept the minutes of both meetings as read; seconded by Ross Payton. All in favor, motion carried.

No Treasurer’s report available.

ROOF PROJECT:

Revised bid received from ASAP Roofing. The high bidder chose not to submit a revised bid.

A motion by Terry Erber to accept the bid of ASAP Roofing for \$101,900, seconded by Frank D Wasylewski. All in favor, motion carried.

MEDICAL MARIHUANA LICENSING:

Resident, Janie Guiliani stated several new regulations are being proposed in the state legislature and requested the Board table the decision whether or not to adopt an ordinance allowing medical marihuana licenses in the township. Guiliani would like the Board to wait until the end of summer.

The Clerk stated the Township does not have the resources necessary, people or financially, to accommodate a medical marihuana ordinance effectively; that will not change anytime in the near future. The Chairman stated he would like to proceed with a decision.

Motion by Terry Erber, seconded by Frank D Wasylewski, that the Hudson Township Board hereby states that it does not intend to enact any ordinance under the Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act, being Act 281 of the Public Acts of 2016, to authorize any marihuana facility (i.e., a grower, a processor, a secure transporter, a provisioning center, or a safety compliance facility) anywhere within Hudson Township. All in favor, motion carried.

SPRING CLEAN UP:

The spring clean up is Saturday, May 5th. The Chairman stated Don Sevenski will provide the loader, and Marlene Guerin, Gary Stillson and Gary Holborn will help residents with unloading.

BALLOT PROPOSALS

The road millage expired with the last tax collection. The Board agreed to present a renewal request to the electors at the August Primary Election. The following proposal was presented:

WHEREAS, the Hudson Township Board, in the interest of providing for the maintenance and improvement of the roads in Hudson Township; and

WHEREAS, townships may provide for road maintenance and improvements, and may impose and levy ad valorem property taxes to finance such public services, as authorized by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and other laws; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board of Hudson wishes to levy up to 2 mills for the maintenance and improvement of the roads in Hudson Township;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Board of Hudson Township, Charlevoix County, do hereby approve the following millage ballot question language and directs the Clerk to submit it to be placed on the 7 August 2018 election ballot:

This proposal will permit the Township to restore the Township’s 2 mills for road improvements previously approved by the electors and now expired. This ballot proposal renews the existing 2 mills.

“Shall the previously voted increase in the 15 mill tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Hudson Township be renewed at and increased up to the original voted 2 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for four (4) years, 2018 through 2021 inclusive, for the purpose of road maintenance and improvements; and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby raising in the first year an estimated \$79,100.?”

Motion by Terry Erber that Hudson Township adopt the resolution for proposed millage renewal, supported by Frank D Wasylewski.

ROLL CALL:	Ross Payton	Aye
	Caroline Kobylczak	Aye
	Terry Erber	Aye
	Mitchell Barrows	Absent
	Frank D Wasylewski	Aye

Resolution declared adopted this 4th day of April 2018.

The millage for operating the fire department also expired at the end of last year.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Hudson Township Board, in the interest of providing fire protection and emergency medical services to the residents of Hudson Township by way of providing for the effective operation of the township’s fire department, do hereby approve the following proposal to be presented to the electors of Hudson Township at the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, 7 August 2018, and directs the Clerk to submit it for placement on said Primary Election Ballot:

This proposal will permit the Township to restore the Township’s 1 mill for fire protection previously approved by the electors and now expiring. This ballot proposal renews the existing 1 mill.

“Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within Hudson Township be renewed at and increased up to the original voted 1 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2018 through 2021 inclusive, for the furnishing of fire protection and emergency medical services, apparatus, equipment and housing in Hudson Township; and shall the Township levy such increase in millage for said purpose, thereby raising in the first year an estimated \$39,550.?”

A motion by Terry Erber that Hudson Township adopt the resolution for proposed millage renewal with increase back to original voted millage. Motion supported by Ross Payton.

ROLL CALL: Frank D Wasylewski Aye
Mitchell Barrows Absent
Ross Payton Aye
Caroline Kobylczak Aye
Terry Erber Aye

Resolution declared adopted this 4th day of April 2018.

PENSION PLAN:

The Clerk presented the MERS (Michigan Employees’ Retirement System) defined contribution pension plan and would like to switch from the current plan which has higher administration costs and recordkeeping work. MERS has more investing options, is more portable for employees and less administrative burden. The Clerk would continue the same funding requirement, 6% contribution from both the employee and the township.

This Resolution is entered into under the provisions of 1996 PA 220 and the Municipal Employees’ Retirement System of Michigan (“MERS”) Plan Document, as each may be amended.

WHEREAS, Hudson Township desires to adopt the MERS Defined Contribution Plan for its designated employees;

WHEREAS, Hudson Township will furnish MERS with required data regarding each eligible employee and retiree;

WHEREAS, as a condition of MERS membership, and pursuant to the MERS Retirement Board’s power as plan administrator and trustee under Plan Document Section 71 and MCL 38.1536, as each may be amended, it is appropriate and necessary to enter into a binding agreement providing for the administration of the Defined Contribution Plan, the reporting of wages, and the payment of the required contributions of a participating entity and withholding of employee contributions; now, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, Hudson Township adopts the MERS Defined Contribution Plan in accordance with Plan Section 4 for its eligible employees as described in the MERS Defined Contribution Adoption Agreement, subject to the MERS Plan Document and as authorized by 1996 PA 220, as both may be amended; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Township Board agrees to the terms and authorizes the clerk to execute the initial MERS Defined Contribution Adoption Agreement.

A motion by Terry Erber to adopt the resolution adopting the MERS Defined Contribution Plan, seconded by Caroline Kobylczak.

Roll Call: Frank D Wasylewski Aye
Ross Payton Aye
Caroline Kobylczak Aye
Terry Erber Aye
Mitchell Barrows Absent

Resolution adopted this 4th day of April 2018.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief Shawn Bauman reported Hudson Township has been accepted by Emmet County Medical Control Authority.

A motion by Ross Payton and seconded by Caroline Kobylczak to pay the following bills. All in favor, motion carried.

Auto	4 Apr 18	CenturyLink	Telephone	\$107.10
#3360	4 Apr 18	American Waste	Hall – Garbage	\$80.00
#3361	“ “ “	Apex Software	Assessor – software support	\$235.00
#3362	“ “ “	Habitec Security	Hall – repair camera system	\$257.58

#3363	4 Apr 18	Van's Business Machines	Hall – Copy machine service	\$78.00
#3364	“ “ “	Michele Mathu	Hall – Custodian supplies	\$71.22
#3365	“ “ “	Great Lakes Energy	Electricity – Hall & Fire	\$308.14
#3366	“ “ “	Sevenski Excavating	Snowplowing – Hall & Fire	\$114.00
#3367	“ “ “	Petoskey Urgent Care	Fire – CDL physical (Budzinski)	\$158.00
#3368	“ “ “	Randi Terry	Fire – CDL physicals (Mike & Randi)	\$172.00
#3369	“ “ “	Exxon Mobil	Fire – gas	\$109.21
#3370	“ “ “	Front Line Services	Fire – truck part	\$79.03
#3371	“ “ “	OHM Advisors	Engineering Services – roof project	\$258.50
#3372	“ “ “	Hallahan & Associates	Legal Services – tribunal	\$131.80
#3373	“ “ “	Shawn Bauman	Fire Chief – quarter	\$578.44
#3374	“ “ “	Don Sevenski	Assistant chief – quarter	\$108.19
#3375	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Hall rental agent	\$44.27
#3376	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Zoning Administrator – quarter	\$115.69
#3377	“ “ “	Michele Mathu	Custodian – 13 hours	\$144.07

A motion by Terry Erber to adjourn; seconded by Frank D Wasylewski. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:51pm.