

**ADA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
JANUARY 12, 2015**

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Haga at 7:30 p.m. Members present: Supervisor Haga, Clerk Burton, Trustee Proos, Trustee Jacobs, and Trustee Smith. Also present Recording Secretary Dorothy Renegar, and 3 community members. Absent: Treasurer Rhoades, and Trustee LeBlanc.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Haga added one item to the Agenda, under IV. General Township Business, B. 11. January Supervisors Report-1/8/15.

Motion by Smith, supported by Jacobs, to approve the Agenda as amended. Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING-COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT FUNDING (CDBG)**

Supervisor Haga stated this is the annual public hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant Funding (CDBG) for the program year of 2015/2016.

Motion by Proos, supported by Burton, to open the public hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant Funding (CDBG) for the Program Year of 2015/2016. Motion carried.

Supervisor Haga stated each year we go through this process of CDBG funds; each year our amount of allocation seems to go down, and our allocation amount is \$6,618.00. Our cost for this project is approximately \$22,000.00 a year, of which \$6,600 covers less than one quarter of the project. There are other uses for the funds, but historically and for the last two years we've been using it for the transit service with Hope Network.

No public comments received.

Motion by Jacobs, supported by Proos, to close the public hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant Funding (CDBG) for the Program Year of 2015/2016. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION R-011215-2, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FROM KENT COUNTY

Motion by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to adopt Resolution R-011215-2 Authorizing the use of Community Development Block Grant Funding (CDBG) with Hope Network Transit Services in the amount of \$6,618.00. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, Smith, Burton, Haga, and Proos; No – 0; Absent – LeBlanc and Rhoades. Resolution adopted.

GENERAL TOWNSHIP BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes

December 8, 2014 Regular Board Meeting

Receive and File Various Reports/Communications

1. Building Permit Report-11/14; 2. Treasurer's Investment Report-11/30/14; 3. Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes-12/2/14; 4. Comcast Update-12/2/14; 5. Hope Network Transit-11/14; 6. Ada's DDA Minutes-11/17/14; 7. Planning Commission Minutes-11/20/14; 8. Utility Advisory Board Minutes-11/20/14; 9. Ada Historical Society Minutes-12/4/14; 10. KCRC Transportation Funding Package; 11. January Supervisors Report-1/8/15.

Motion by Smith, supported by Jacobs, to approve the Reports and Communications under the Consent Agenda. Yes – 5; No – 0; Absent – 2. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

ADA TOWNSHIP GENERAL WARRANTS

Clerk Burton reported the general township warrants, with receipts in the following amounts: Hand Checks: #101 \$37,095.79; #205 \$4,353.64; #208 \$4,906.14; #211 \$311.40; #213 \$2,047.96; #248 \$422.00; #590 \$4,975.65; #591 \$1,871.01; #592 \$544.73; #701 \$881.40. Total all Hand Checks: \$57,409.72; Warrants: #101 \$45,393.69; #205 \$941.85; #208 \$14,776.20; #213 \$4,174.57; #248 \$277.07; #590 \$7,732.04; #591 \$54,198.10; #592 \$3,125.36; #701 \$371.64. Total Warrants: \$130,990.52. Total All Checks and Warrants: \$188,400.24.

Motion by Jacobs, supported by Smith, to approve the Warrant Report for January 12, 2015, in the total amount of \$188,400.24. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, Smith, Proos, Burton, and Haga; No – 0; Absent – LeBlanc and Rhoades. Motion carried.

PAY APPLICATION #2-ADA SCADA SYSTEM

Steven Groenenboom, Moore & Bruggink, stated this is pay #2 for work through the first part of December. Through December 4 the work completed was the main water tower on Ada Drive, which now communicates with the City of Grand Rapids, and to the booster station through Cellular Airways. He stated the total amount due is \$25,650.00, which puts the contract at about the 10% range.

Motion by Smith, supported by Jacobs, to approve Pay Application #2 for the Ada SCADA, in the amount of \$25,650.00, payable to DVT Electric, Inc. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, Smith, Proos, Burton, and Haga; No – 0; Absent – LeBlanc and Rhoades. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

BOARD COMMENT

Trustee Jacobs stated she drove by Roselle Park several times Sunday and the parking lot was full; kids were climbing the silo, and there were a lot of people walking. She stated, "I think our Parks Department does a great job of providing opportunities for our residents."

Supervisor Haga stated there were a lot of skaters on the ice rink (Leonard Field) this weekend.

Clerk Burton stated at the last session before the end of the year the state legislature decided to raise the sales tax from 6% to 7%, with part of the proceeds to go toward roads and infrastructure. To do that, it takes an amendment to the Constitution, so the people of Michigan are going to have to vote on that. It means Ada Township will be holding an election in May, as will all other jurisdictions in the State.

Supervisor Haga stated in regards to Envision Ada, the completion of construction plans and documents for the Headley Street reconstruction are being temporarily postponed pending completion of property acquisition for the new right-of-way needed for the new public road. He stated we are also working on finalizing the details of the financing plan and development agreement that was going quite well until we ran into the situation with various properties. It might be in the best interest to look at some alternatives. The project is still a very exciting project and we anticipate some activity by summer.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION R-011215-1, RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CONSOLIDATED 911 EMERGENCY DISPATCH SERVICE FUNDED BY PHONE SURCHARGE

Supervisor Haga stated this is a resolution in support of Consolidated 911 Emergency Dispatch Service funded by a phone surcharge. The idea and thought is that the users of the 911 system should be the ones paying for it. They are

paying for the Call Center, and presently the Fire/Police dispatch program is funded by Kent County through the Sheriff's Department budget of approximately \$1.2 million. The Supervisors Association put together this resolution that focuses on what may be an equitable charge for dispatch services. He also stated that Grand Rapids Township, Cascade, Plainfield, Byron, and Gaines have passed this resolution as presented.

Motion by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to adopt Resolution R-011215-1, Resolution in Support of Consolidated 911 Emergency Dispatch Service Funded by Phone Surcharge. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, Smith, Proos, Burton, and Haga; No – 0; Absent – LeBlanc and Rhoades. Resolution adopted.

CONTRACT BETWEEN ADA TOWNSHIP AND HOPE NETWORK WEST MICHIGAN

Supervisor Haga stated this is a contract for services effective when the CDBG funds run out, so it is a direct contract with Hope Network of West Michigan.

Motion by Proos, supported by Smith, to approve the Contract between Ada Township and Hope Network West Michigan for transit services as noted in the contract. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, Smith, Proos, Burton, and Haga; No – 0; Absent – LeBlanc and Rhoades. Motion carried.

STREETSCAPE PLANTING SERVICES CONTRACT

Supervisor Haga stated we advertised for services for a three-year contract for Ada's Village Streetscape Maintenance and Flower Planting. Through discussion with our B&G people he tried to get others to bid on this project, but was not successful. He stated Kuiper Landscape Management was the only bidder on the project for a three-year contract of \$33,480.00; the annual amount would be \$11,160.00. Kuiper, who has had the contract in the past, has done a fine job. Note: in 2011 the contract was \$28,065.00.

Motion by Smith, supported by Burton, to accept the Streetscape Planting Services Contract with Kuiper Landscape Management for the Ada Village Streetscape Maintenance and Flower Planting services, in the amount of \$33,480.00, which is a three-year contract. Roll call: Yes – Jacobs, Smith, Proos, Burton, and Haga; No – 0; Absent – LeBlanc and Rhoades. Motion carried.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Susan Burton, CMC
Ada Township Clerk

Date

RS/dr