

Hamilton Township Board
August 09, 2022
7:00 p.m. - Hamilton Township Hall

Lake of the Woods Aquatic Plant Control and Weed Control
Special Assessment District 2014-01 Public Hearing, Fire and QR Protection Special
Assessment Roll Public Hearing,
And Regular Board Meeting

1. **Call to Order/Pledge**

The LOW Public Hearing was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Trustee Conway. Also Present: Clerk Rebecca Mott and Treasurer Sandra Hanson. Supervisor Druskovich and Trustee Karen Makay were excused. There were eight guests present.

2. **Special Assessment Roll – Assessment is Between \$50 and \$100 Per Parcel**

The Special Assessment Roll prepared by Assessor Brousseau was reviewed. Assessment rates are \$50 Per Back Lot and \$100 Per Lake Shore Lot.

3. **Notice of Public Hearing – Published in the Decatur Republican on August 4, 2022**

Mott noted that the Notice of Public Hearing was published as required.

4. **Open Public Hearing**

Public Comments – There were no public comments.

Written Comments – No written comments were received.

5. **Close Public Hearing**

Motion by Hanson, second by Mott to close the public hearing. Motion carried. The public hearing was closed at 7:04 p.m.

1. **Call to Order**

The Fire and QR Public Hearing was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. **Special Assessment Roll – Assessment is 2.0 mills for fire services and 1.5 mills for quick response services**

The Special Assessment Roll submitted by the supervisor and assessing officer of the Township was confirmed and available for review. Assessment is 2.0 mills for fire services and 1.5 mills for quick response services and will be billed on the December tax bills.

3. **Notice of Public Hearing – Published in the Decatur Republican on July 21, 2022 and July 28, 2022**

Mott noted that the Notice of Public Hearing was published as required.

4. **Open Public Hearing**

Public Comments – Ron New and James Raffae asked questions and requested clarification regarding the Special Assessment Roll for fire services and quick response services.

Written Comments – No written comments were received.

5. **Resolution to approve Rolls**

Motion by Mott, second by Hanson to approve the Resolution Approving Special Assessment Roll for Fire Protection and Ambulance Services. Roll Call: Hanson – Yes, Mott – Yes, Conway – Yes. Motion carried.

6. **Close Public Hearing**

Motion by Hanson, second by Mott to close the public hearing. Motion carried. The public hearing was closed at 7:16 p.m.

1. **Regular Meeting Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:17 p.m.

2. **Limited Public Comments**

None.

3. **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**

None.

4. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Hanson, second by Mott, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

5. **Consent Agenda**

- a) Approval of the July 12, 2022, meeting minutes as presented.
- b) Monthly Budget Report for July - Cash Balances as of 7/31/22: General Fund - \$346,396.52; Road Fund - \$67,475.40; Lake of the Woods Weed Fund - \$13,443.29
- c) Payment of Bills
- d) Indiana-Michigan Power – MI Public Service commission hearing August 23, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Motion by Hanson, second by Mott, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

6. **Old Business**

- a) **NFPI – MAPS** – Nothing new to report.
- b) **Open field project** – Milkweed is growing. Spot mowing will be completed.
- c) **Neighborhood Watch** – There are currently 1,189 people on the Facebook page. Working on an in-person meeting for September.
- d) **Covid relief funds – ARPA** – A budget is due in October 2022.
- e) **Broadband Mapping** – The survey was completed and presented to the Board of Commissioners on July 26, 2022. The parcel map for Hamilton Township was reviewed.
- f) **Building Inspector** – The Board is looking into options for a new building inspector and will have more information at the next meeting.
- g) **Electrical inspector** – The Board is looking into options for a new electrical inspector and will have more information at the next meeting.
- h) **Insurance renewal** – The Townships insurance is up for renewal on September 1, 2022.

7. **New Business**

No new business.

8. **Reports**

Treasurer- The treasurer will be collecting taxes on September 13th, 14th, and 15th at the Township Hall. Taxes are due on the 14th of September 2022

Clerk – Good turnout for the August 2, 2022 Primary Election.

Fire Board/Quick Response – New fire truck on schedule for completion

Grange Hall – Rentals scheduled; Grange Hall dances will resume and will be held on October 8, 2022 and November 5, 2022

Senior Services – Discussion on the future of Senior Services for Hamilton Township; Senior Services have received their money from the Township and Hamilton Township residents are entitled to services through the end of the year

Roads – Chip sealing; Seal coating; Mowing Road shoulders; Visit the Van Buren County Road Commission website at: vbcrc.org for more information

County - Commissioner Hanson gave various updates on county business

9. **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Mott, second by Hanson, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Rebecca Mott, Hamilton Township