

**Hopkins Village Council Regular Council Meeting
Monday Nov 11th, 2024**

President VanderWall called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call Vander Wall, Alberda, Adams, Sebright, Buist, Williams, Kennedy,
ABSENT Osborn **Guests-** Jon Stafford, Eric Alberda, Scott Beltman, April Alberda

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Sebright moved, Adams supported, CARRIED, to approve the agenda of Nov 11th, 2024, with the addition of Oath of Office.

1A. Appointment of Danielle Westhouse

Buist moved, Sebright supported, CARRIED to have Danielle Westhouse appointed to the Village of Hopkins Council as Trustee.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Adams moved, Buist supported, CARRIED to approve the minutes of Oct 14th, 2024, regular meeting.

3. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Buist moved, Williams supported, CARRIED to approve the bills from Oct 15th, 2024, to Nov 11th, 2024

4. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

Adams moved, Sebright supported CARRIED to approve the Oct 2024 financial report.

5. REPORTS

Library- No

Fire Board- The Fire Board voted Trevor Bielby as the new fire chief beginning in Jan.

DDA- Working on Dec 7th Celebration

Commissioners Report- Scott Beltman gave the report

6. Public Comment- None

Old Business

A. Safe Routes to School Grant Update

No update.

B. Blight Letters Update

Letter going out to 209 E. Main St for blight issues.

C. Charter Revision Update

No Update.

D. Village / Township Hall Agreement

No update

E. Wage & Reimbursement Resolution

Adams moved, Buist supported, CARRIED to approve Resolution 2024-006 Compensation For Village Employees 2025.

7. Maintenance Report

Jon Stafford gave his maintenance report. Report has been filed.

8. Public Comment

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Ordinance Book Revision

Buist moved, Williams supported CARRIED to move forward PCI in helping with writing a new ordinance book, with the possibility of Martin Village also writing a new ordinance book to help reduce costs.

B. Proposed Budget

Clerk Alberda handed out the 20225 proposed budget and a hearing will be held prior to the Dec meeting.

C. Christmas Party

Christmas Party will be held with the township after the December meetings.

D. Michigan Gas Right Of Way Agreement

Sebright moved Buist supported CARRIED to give Michigan Gas Utilities the right of way within the Village of Hopkins.

E. Oath Of Office

Clerk Alberda gave the oath of office to all members of the council.

Around the table

Time was given for the council to make comments.

ADJOURNMENT.

Adams moved, Buist supported, CARRIED to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 pm.