

Nelson Township Board Meeting
Nelson Township/Sand Lake Municipal Building
Tuesday, 12 October 2010
7PM

Called to Order – Pledge of Allegiance – Board Roll Call

Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. In addition, there were 8 residents and Zoning Administrator Gross present.

Present: Armstrong, Hoffman, Austin, Mahoney

Absent: Noreen

Approval of the Agenda - Board Minutes– Financial Report

The agenda and financial report approved as submitted.

Austin made the motion to amend the minutes of September 14, 2010. Mahoney supported. Yes 4, No 0 Absent 1. Motion passed.

Public Comment

Lisa Heydenburg – 9020 Becker Road stated she is a write-in candidate for Nelson Township Treasurer.

Reports

Zoning, Enforcement and Fire Departments reports: On file in the clerk’s office.

Library: Parking lot was re-striped and memorial bricks were laid. Kent District Library will present Michigan Notable Book Author Tour with Steve Lehto on Saturday, October 16, at Sand Lake/Nelson Township Library at 1:30 p.m. Membership applications for Sand Lake Chamber of Commerce are available in the clerk’s office.

Correspondence

Received a dinner request from Kent County Road Commission, the treasurer will RSVP for the township board.

New Business

Gordon Park – Roger Sabine and Glen met with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) officials to discuss Gordon Park improvements. The township funds will cover improvements including gravel, earthwork, asphalt, permits and culvert beginning in the spring 2011, and will be done over a two-year phase. Funding for the “Open Shelter” is still on track.

Resolution 2010-014

The following resolution was offered by board member Hoffman and seconded by board member Mahoney, Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Nelson Township Board approves amending Resolution 2010-001 having the Kent County Park Department construct a walkway between Gordon Park and the Fred Meijer White Pine Trail in 2010-011, utilizing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. The walkway would

run approximately 525 ft and cost up to \$30,400.00. Yes 4, No 0. Absent:1. Motion passed.

Jim Van Dyke Combine Planning Commission with Sand Lake

Deb Majeski spoke for Jim Van Dyke. Jim would like to promote consolidation of planning commission between the village and township. Supervisor would like to see on paper the advantages and cost savings.

Planning Commission appointments

Supervisor nominated Marc Stolk and Pat Dignum to the planning commission. Hoffman made the motion to appoint Marc Stolk for a three-year term ending December 2013 to the Planning Commission. Mahoney supported. Yes 4, No 0. Absent 1. Motion passed.

Mahoney made the motion to appoint Pat Dignum to the planning commission for a three-year term ending December 2013. Hoffman supported. Yes 4, No 0. Absent: 1.

Supervisor Replacement Printer

Austin made the motion to purchase a new "B" printer for the supervisor under \$300.00. Mahoney supported.
Yes 4, No 0. Absent: 1. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business to come before the board.

Extended Comments

Bette Towsley 86 Lake Street asked how the board could handle interoffice disputes.

Without objection the Nelson Township board meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Laura Hoffman
Nelson Township