

Nelson Township Board Meeting
Monday, December 9, 2008
Sand Lake/ Nelson Township Municipal Building
2 Maple Street
Sand Lake, MI 49343
7pm

Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance – Board Roll Call

Present: Armstrong, Hoffman, Reed, Noreen and Mahoney.

Absent: Zoning Administrator Gross. There were two citizens present.

Approval of the Agenda – Financial Report

Agenda and Financial report were approved as presented.

Approval of the Minutes

The township board approved the November 10, 2008 board minutes as presented.

Accounts Payable

The monthly bills for December 8, 2008 were approved by Hoffman; seconded by Noreen. General \$29,738.78; Library \$2,023.52; Library construction \$1,092.00.

Yes 5, No 0, Motion passed.

Public Comment

Gerald Seevers – 17600 Pine Lake Ave inquired as to why the township has three phone companies. The board replied by stating that one bill was an actual bill and the other two were escrow accounts.

Reports

1. Zoning and Enforcement-Fire Department reports filed with clerk's office.
2. Library
3. Planning Commission next meeting January 21, 2009
4. Received copy of Kent County Road Commission 2009 Operating Budget

New Business

1. Board of Review Appointments

Armstrong made the motion to appoint to the Board of Review Beth Miller, Gabrielle Warner, Sue Vicari and Margaret Hawkins as an alternate for a two-year term. Seconded by Hoffman.

Yes 5, No 0. Motion passed.

2. Maintenance Agreement – M100 Voting Equipment – Tabled

Hoffman reported the State of Michigan is still considering whether or not to pay for another year's warranty on all of the optical scan tabulators.

3. Asset Test for Property Tax Poverty Exemption - Tabled

Old Business

Zoning Ordinance Changes

1. AG Agriculture District ordinance 08-011 was offered by Noreen and supported by Hoffman to amend the Nelson Township Zoning Ordinance Chapter 5 - AG Agricultural District.

Yes 5 – No 0. Motion carried.

2. SFR – Single Family Residential – Low Density District ordinance 08-012 was offered by Reed and 2nd by Mahoney to amend Nelson Township Zoning Ordinance - Chapter 6 - SFR-L Single Family Residential District.

Yes 5 – No 0. Motion carried

Extended Public Comment

Gerald Seevers commented to the township board, “Keep property taxes low”.

Board Comments

Treasurer will not attend January 2009 board meeting.

Adjournment

Without objection the Nelson Township board meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

Laura Hoffman
Nelson Township Clerk