

Nelson Township Board Meeting  
Tuesday, 13 July 2010  
Sand Lake/Nelson Township Municipal Building  
2 Maple Street  
7 P.M.

**Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance – Board Roll Call**

Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7 P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Armstrong, Hoffman, Austin and Mahoney. Absent: Noreen.

In addition, there were nine citizens and Zoning Administrator Gross present.

**Approval of the Agenda – Financial Report**

Agenda and Treasurer's financial report ending June 30, 2010 were approved as submitted.

**Approval of the board Minutes**

The June 8, 2010 Nelson Township board minutes were approved as presented.

**Accounts Payable**

Mahoney made the motion to pay the monthly bills for General \$35,502.65; Library \$3,674.37 and Pine Lake Weed \$4,045.05. Yes 4, No 0. Absent 1. Motion passed.

**Public Comment**

Deck Andrejczak 254 E. Bridge Street, Rockford introduced himself as a candidate for Kent County Commissioner.

Ron Stonehouse 985 Rentsman, Cedar Springs address the board with his concerns of a race track at 9399 Rentsman, last fall Mr. Stonehouse spoke to the property owners, the owners indicated the race track was for their own family use. This spring Mr. Stonehouse found online an advertisement for motor cross track at 9399 Rentsman. Mr. Rentsman asked the township board to enforce their ordinance.

Al Heydenburg 9020 Becker, Cedar Springs confirmed the noise of the track has increased.

Nancy Nelson 14130 Rentsman, Cedar Springs the track business has increased over the years, along with the size of the track.

**New Business**

**KDL Annual Report**

Cheryl Garrison – KDL acting Chair reported KDL funding levels has decreased, while usage is up. KDL total funds are down by million dollars for 2009. Last year, KDL completed a strategic planning process designed to meet the needs of the community, while at the same time ensuring that the library staff and resources are used as efficiently as possible. KDL is in the process of hiring a new Director.

Glenda Middleton, Sand Lake/Nelson Township Branch Librarian stated the Friends of the Library have earned over 15,000.00 through on going fund raiser.

Carol Simpson thanked Mahoney & Hoffman for their commitment to the Friends of the Library, along with commending KDL for their re-structuring of internal affairs.

**Board of Review**

Austin made the motion to change the meeting day from Tuesday to Wednesday for Board of Review. Mahoney supported. Yes 4, No 0. Absent 1. Motion passed.

**Zoning Ordinance request to Planning Commission**

Armstrong made the motion to send draft ordinance copy of “Chapter 11 NR Natural River Overlay” to the Planning Commission for their recommendation. Hoffman supported. Yes 4, No 0. Absent 1. Motion passed.

**Enforcement**

Enforcement Officer Jerry Gross asked the township board for direction on the Race Track on Rentsman. The board directed Mr. Gross to follow the through on the township attorney’s opinion.

**Resolution 2010-011 Burnham & Flower**

Mahoney move to adopt Resolution 2010-011 “A Pre-Approved Volume submitter Plan,” sponsored by Burnham & Flower. Hoffman supported. Yes 4, No 0, Absent 1. Motion passed

**Amend Audit & Attorney Budget Center**

Hoffman made the motion to amend the Audit budget center by 1,000.00 and legal budget center by 24,000.00 from the unsigned general account. Mahoney supported. Yes 4, No 0, Absent 1. Motion passed.

**Unfinished Business****QVF Clerk Job Description**

Austin made the motion to table the QVF Clerk Job Description, Mahoney supported. Yes 4, No 0. Absent 1.

**Adjournment**

Mahoney made the motion to adjourn at 8:45 P.M. Austin supported. Motion passed.

**Laura Hoffman**

**Nelson Township Clerk**