

Nelson Township Board Meeting
Tuesday, July 12, 2011
7:00 P.M.

Nelson Township Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
Present: Armstrong, Hoffman, Austin, Mahoney. Absent: Noreen
There were six citizens present along with County Commissioner Roger Morgan and Jerry Gross,
Zoning Administrator.

Approval of Agenda: July 12, 2011 Agenda was approved as presented.

Approval of Minutes: The June 14, 2011 Township Board minutes were approved as written.

Financial Report: General, Library and Pine Lake Weed Control financial reports ending June 30, 2011 were accepted as presented.

Accounts Payable: The monthly disbursements were for the General \$21,584.35, Library \$2,410.05 and Pine Lake Weed Control \$641.70. Motion was offered by Mahoney and supported by Hoffman. Yes 4 , No 0. Absent 1.

Public Comment: Roger Morgan Kent County Commissioner gave an update on the Kent County bond rating; the fact that Revenue Sharing will be cut by a third; that the One Kent Coalition was still out there; and the propose plans to build new ball diamonds on 10 Mile.

Reports:

Zoning and Enforcement: On file in the clerk's office.

Fire Department: Received three fire reports. Interim Fire Chief Roger Parent reported the on the Cedar Springs Fire Department.

Roads: Request from residents to have Becker Road patched.

Library Plant sale and Silent Auction netted \$3,200.00.

Other: Parks & Recreation report will be available next month.

Correspondence

New Business

Second dwelling request: No board action taken.

Consumers Energy: By Resolution Nelson Township entered into a contract with Consumers Energy Company of Jackson Michigan, for furnishing lighting service within Nelson Township was offered by Hoffman and supported by Mahoney. Yes 4, No 0. Absent 1.

IRS Mileage: The rate increase to 55.5 cents a mile for all business miles driven from July 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 was offered by Armstrong, supported by Austin, Yes 4, No 0. Absent 1.

Charter Township Act: Tabled

BSA building department software: Austin made the motion to approve the BSA proposal to include BSA training, IT support, deputy wages not to exceed \$ 7,500.00. Mahoney supported. Yes 4, No 0. Absent 1.

Merit network, Inc. The Bilateral Agreement was executed between Nelson Township and Merit Network, Inc. to access public right-of-way along US 131. Mahoney supported. Yes 4, No 0. Absent 1.

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

Laura Hoffman, Clerk