

Nelson Township Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 11, 2016
Sand Lake/ Nelson Township Municipal Building
2 Maple Street
Sand Lake, MI 49343
7 P.M.

Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance – Board Roll Call

Supervisor Noreen called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Noreen, Hoffman, Austin. Absent: Mahoney and Armstrong.

In addition, there were fifteen citizens present.

Approval of the Agenda: Austin, with support by Noreen amended the agenda, under New Business e). Appoint MML director and amend the library account 271-810. Motion passed.

Financial Report: Accepted as presented.

Approval of the Minutes: September 13, 2016 board minutes were added to the November 15, 2016 agenda.

Accounts Payable

Hoffman, with support by Austin approved the disbursements as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments:

Mark Tabor, Cedar Springs Park and Recreation representative for Nelson Township, gave an update on the proposed community building in Cedar Springs.

Dave Vogelar 987 19 Mile Road, after contacting the Kent County Sheriff department numerous times due to his neighbor's dirt track next to his property, asked the township board to reconsider a Noise Ordinance.

Mary Stiham, 14216 Shaner Ave., letter dated October 11, 2016 was emailed to the planning commission and read by Supervisor Noreen.

Reports

Zoning and Enforcement: Reports filed with clerk's office.

Fire Departments: Chief Holtzlander said the burn facility should be complete by spring 2017. Kent County Road Commission annual dinner will be held on November 3, 2016, RSVP to the KCRC.

The Right Place invitation for November 1, 2016.

New Business:

- a. **KDL annual presentation:** No board action.
- b. **Hazardous Material Refresher training:** Noreen, with support by Hoffman, approved \$125.00 for the instruction on Hazardous Material Refresher training for all fire department. Motion passed. Absent: Mahoney and Armstrong.
- c. **Amend Election Budget Center:** Hoffman, with support by Noreen approved to amend the general fund Election budget center 191-702 and 191-802 by \$3,000.00; and Library fund 271-810 by \$14,000.00. All ayes motion passed. Absent: Mahoney and Armstrong.
- d. **Village of Sand Lake electronic sign request:** Tabled
- e. **Election of MML directors:** Austin motion to vote for the two candidates for MML board of directors, Noreen supported. Motion passed. Absent: Mahoney and Armstrong.

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Unfinished Business:

- a. **Title Search by First American Title Company:** Austin, with support by Noreen to contact Title Company and achieve a clear title, not to exceed \$600.00. Motion passed. Absent: Mahoney and Armstrong.
- b. **Review Section 4.36 to 4.58 of Draft Financial Policy:** Tabled

Extended Comments: Robyn Britton, deputy supervisor, expressed concerns about the board establishing positions without planning for office space or training. She is unsure of the current supervisor's plans, and informed the board she has filed to run as a write in candidate for Supervisor on the November 8th ballot.

Board Comments: None

Adjourn

Hoffman, with support by Austin, adjourned the Nelson Township board meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Laura Hoffman
Nelson Township Clerk