

Nelson Township Board Meeting
2 Maple Street
Sand Lake, MI 49343
Nelson Township/Sand Lake Hall
Tuesday, February 9, 2016

7:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Noreen at 7:00 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present: Supervisor Noreen, Clerk Hoffman, Treasurer Austin, Trustees Mahoney and Armstrong. Absent: None. There were six people in the audience.

Approval of the Agenda: A motion by Hoffman with support by Mahoney to amend the agenda to include under New Business e.) Annual Mining Application refund; f.) Assessor verbal resignation. Yes 5, No 0.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: Mahoney, with support by Hoffman approved the minutes as written. Yes 5, No 0.

Financial Report: Accepted as presented.

Accounts Payable: Hoffman, with support by Noreen to approve the disbursements of funds as presented. Yes 5, No 0.

Public Comment: Tom Norton, 250 Lake Street offered his service to negotiate on behalf of the township for phone service.

Reports

- a) Zoning and Enforcement on file in the clerk's office.
- b) Fire Department: received fire reports from all departments.
- c) Roads
- d) Library: minor repairs were completed.

Correspondence

New Business

a) Amend TruGreen proposal

Noreen, with support by Hoffman approved to amend the current contract to a three-year term at the same rate of \$4,985.00 per year. Yes 5, No 0.

b) Approve Pro Auto Salvage license

Austin, with support by Mahoney to approve 2016 salvage yard license application for Pro Auto. Yes 5, No 0.

c.) Approve Amendments to the Open Burning Ordinance

Noreen made the motion to amend the Open Burning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 135, 2001). Austin supported. Yes 5, No 0.

d.) Approve Community Development Block Grant

Noreen, with support by Austin approved the request for accessibility improvements in Gordon Park for \$42,037.60. Yes 5, No.

New Business

e.) Refund for Dean's Landscaping & Excavating Annual Mining Application

Noreen made the motion with support from Hoffman to refund Dean's Landscaping & Excavating for each annual \$50.00 mining application fee. Yes 5, No 0.

f.) Assessor resignation

Supervisor informed the board the assessor verbally resigned at the end of April 2016.

Unfinished Business

a.) Approved Zoning Ordinance amendments to Farm Operations in the C Commercial District and Special Land Use for Commercial Greenhouse and Nurseries

The following ordinance was offered by Noreen and supported by Hoffman to amend the Township of Nelson Ordinance to allow Farm Operations in the C Commercial District. Yes 5, NO.

The following ordinance was offered by Hoffman and supported by Mahoney for the Special Land Use for Commercial Greenhouse and Nurseries. Yes 5, No 0.

Extended Public comments: None

Board comments: None

Austin made the motion to adjourn the Nelson Township board meeting at 7:50 pm. Mahoney supported. Yes 5, No 0.

Laura Hoffman
Nelson Township Clerk