

Nelson Township Board Meeting

Held at the Municipal Building

2 Maple Street

Sand Lake, MI 49343

January 9, 2018

7PM

The Nelson Township board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Britton at 7 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Britton, Clerk Hoffman, and Trustees Mahoney and Armstrong.  
Absent: Treasurer Austin. There were five people in the audience.

1. **Approval of the Agenda:** Armstrong, with support by Mahoney to accept the agenda as presented. Motion approved.
2. **Minutes:** Mahoney, with support by Armstrong approved as presented the regular meeting minutes December 12, 2107. Motion passed. Absent: Austin.
3. **Financial Report: No report.**
4. **Accounts payable:** Mahoney, with support by Britton approved the disbursements of funds as presented. Motion passed. Absent: Austin.
5. **Public Comments: None**
6. **Reports**
  - a. Zoning and Enforcements: Sent by email.
  - b. Fire Departments: City of Cedar Springs Fire Chief, Marty Frazer reported there were 129 calls for Nelson Township, last year. The fire department is currently seeking new volunteers.
  - c. Roads: A letter was received and filed from resident G. Miesch, 16968 Myers Lake Ave.
  - d. Nelson Township/Sand Lake Library report was emailed to board members.
7. **Correspondence:**
8. **New Business**
  - a. **Resolution 2018-001:** A motion by Hoffman and supported by Mahoney to approve Resolution 2018-001 Supervisor's salary. Yes 3, No Armstrong. Absent: Austin.
  - b. **Resolution 2018-002:** Britton made the motion to approve Resolution 2017-004 Clerk's salary. Mahoney supported. Yes 3, No Armstrong. Absent: Austin
  - c. **Resolution 2018-003:** A motion by Armstrong to increase Treasurers salary by 4%, failed due to lack of support.
  - d. **Resolution 2018-003:** Offered by Mahoney and supported by Britton to approved Resolution 2018-003 Treasurer's salary. Yes 4, Absent:1.

- e. Resolution 2018-004:** A motion by Armstrong and supported by Mahoney to approve the Trustee's salary. Yes 4, No 0. Absent: Austin.
- f. Resolution 2018-005:** Nelson Township Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset test tabled until February 2018.
- g. Budget Workshop:** Set for Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 5pm.
- h. Fire Millage:** The current fire millage expired on 12/31/2017, the board agreed to a renew fire millage for the August election.
- i. Treasurer Credit Card:** Tabled
- j. Library Boiler/Quality Air proposal:** Britton, with support by Mahoney approved the proposals 010318-06 and 010418-05 from Quality Air. Yes 4, Absent: Austin.
- k. Annual Mining Permit:** A motion by Hoffman to accept mining applications for parcels 41-03-05-300-001; 41-03-04300-004 and 41-03-04-300-007 as presented. Supported by Britton. Yes 4, Absent: Austin.
- l. Annual Salvage Yard Permit:** Mahoney, with support by Armstrong approved J&R Truck Parts Salvage yard permit for 2018. Yes 4, Absent: Austin.
- m. IRS Millage rates:** Confirmation of rate set at 54.5 for business mileage starting January 1, 2018.

**9. Unfinished Business:**

- a. Tire Clean up:** An application was submitted to the MDEQ the end of October and expect to hear back in the spring.
- b. Proposed Non-Motorized Path:** An Open House is set for Tuesday, January 30, 2018, at the township hall from 5 to 7pm.
- c. 19 Mile Proposed Road Construction:** Supervisor received twenty responses and twelve not return, no further action at this time.
- d. Library Operating Procedures:** Tabled

**10. Extended Public Comments:**

- a.** Loretta Lee: 6340 18 Mile Road inquired if the township board had a thought pattern on extending internet services within the township?
- b.** Grant Haney: 16000 Northland Dr., stated the motorhome was removed today.

**11. Board Comments:**

- a.** Supervisor will begin to establish a personnel committee for salary purposes.

**12. Adjournment:** Austin made the motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 8:45 p.m. Mahoney supported.

Laura Hoffman, Clerk

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