

Nelson Township Board Meeting

Held at the Municipal Building

2 Maple Street

Sand Lake, MI 49343

October 10, 2017

The Nelson Township board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Britton.

Present: Supervisor Britton, Clerk Hoffman, Treasurer Austin and Trustees Mahoney and Armstrong. Absent: None. There were seventeen people in the audience, along with Zoning Administrator Gross.

1. **Approval of the Agenda:** Austin, with support by Mahoney to accept the agenda as presented. Motion approved.
2. **Minutes:** Armstrong, with support by Mahoney approved as presented the regular meeting minutes September 12, 2017. Motion passed.
3. **Financial Report:** accepted as presented.
4. **Accounts payable:** Austin, with support by Armstrong approved the disbursements of funds as presented. Motion passed.
5. **Superintendent Tri County Schools, Al Cumings**  
Tri County Schools will host a public meeting on November 14 at Sand Lake Elementary and November 20, at MacNaughton Elementary seeking input on how to create operational efficiencies and reduce cost; improve bussing along with building school strengths. A bond renewal is scheduled for November 18, 2018. The public is invited.
6. **Public Comments: None**
7. **Reports**
  - a. Zoning and Enforcements: On file in the clerk's office.
  - b. Fire Departments: Sand Lake Fire Chief, Ed Holtzlander, the first floor of the Burn Unit Facility completed this fall.
8. **Correspondence:** None
9. **Public Hearing - Pine Lake Weed Control**  
Supervisor Britton opened the public hearing to determine to make public improvements; approval and estimated costs; final determination of special assessment district and preparation of special assessment roll.
  1. Roger Beukema – 13961 Sunset Shores
  2. Robert Ruwersma -13953 Sunset Shores

Both residents voiced concerns on issues at the lake which were not related to the Pine Lake Public Hearing agenda.

With no further public comments, Supervisor Britton closed the public hearing at 7:39 pm.

**10. New Business**

- a. Pine Lake Weed Assessment:** Austin, with support by Hoffman approved Resolution 2017-013, to file the special assessment roll for the special assessment district and set public hearing date of November 14, 2017, to hear any objections. Motion passed.
- b. Resolution 2017-015:** was offered by Hoffman, supported by Austin to waive the penalty on late filing of Property transfer affidavits. Motion passed.
- c. Quality Air proposal:** Austin, with support by Mahoney the library proposal will be discussed at the 2018-2019 budget workshop meeting. Motion passed.
- d. Open Space PUD Ordinance 2017-003:** The following Ordinance was offered by Hoffman and supported by Austin to accept the Planning Commission recommendations to amend the Zoning Ordinance Chapter 12 OS-PUD as presented. Motion passed.
- e. Sign Ordinance Amendment Ordinance 2017-004:** The following was offered by Mahoney and supported by Britton to amend the Zoning Ordinance Chapter 15 Signs as presented. Motion passed.
- f. Private Road Ordinance 2017-002:** Was offered by Hoffman and supported by Austin with changes. Motion passed.
- g. Nelson Township Financial Policy –** Hoffman, with support by Mahoney approved the Nelson Township Financial Policy as presented. Motion passed.

**11. Unfinished Business:** None

**12. Extended Public Comments:**

**13. Board comments:**

Armstrong suggested the Master Plan be reviewed after 2020 Census.

**14. Adjournment:** The regular board meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Laura Hoffman, Clerk

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