

Nelson Township Board Meeting

Held at the Municipal Building

2 Maple Street

Sand Lake, MI 49343

Tuesday, March 14, 2017

The Nelson Township board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Britton. Present: Clerk Hoffman, Treasurer Austin and Trustees Mahoney and Armstrong. There were twenty-five people in the audience, along with Zoning Administrator Gross.

1. Approval of the agenda: Hoffman, with support by Mahoney to add under New Business (N) Review Assessor computer quote. Motion passed.
2. Public Hearing on FY2017-2018 Projected General, Library and Pine Lake Weed Control funds: No public comments. The Public Hearing was closed.
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting: Austin, with support by Hoffman to approve the February 14, 2017 minutes as presented. Armstrong abstained. Motion passed.
4. Financial report accepted as presented.
5. Accounts payable: Hoffman moved to approve the disbursements of funds as presented. Supported by Austin.
6. Public Comments: There were numerous residents in support and opposed to riding dirt bikes on 19 Mile Road property by the following: Bonnie Lundberg 6815 Whipple, Blake Brooms 6815 Whipple, Justin Rankhauser 6815 Whipple, Dave Vogelar 6987 19 Mile Road, Betty Krzyszton 6840 19 Mile Road, Keith Krzyszton 6840 19 Mile, Brad Holts 6798 19 Mile, Deborah Wymer 6779 19 Mile Road.
7. Paul Towns: 14850 Pine Lake Ave: opposed the professional actions of the City of Cedar Springs Fire Chief, Marty Frasier.
8. Reports
  - a. Zoning and Enforcement: on file in the clerk's office.
  - b. Fire Departments: Received all three reports from departments. Cedar Springs was successful in raising funds for the chest compressor.
  - c. Library: Paula Wright gave a brief update on library issues. A book sale will be held at the library community room on April 20-22.

- d. Cedar Springs Parks and Recreation: Nelson Township representative, Mark Tabor updated the board on their Master Plan and current activities.
9. Correspondence: None
10. New Business:
- a. Adopt 2017-2018 general fund budget: Hoffman, with support by Austin to adopt the general fund 2017-2018 budget. Roll call vote: Yes 5, No 0. Motion passed.
  - b. Adopt 2017-2018 Library budget: Austin, with support by Mahoney to adopt the library fund 2017-2018 budget. Roll call vote: Yes 5, No 0. Motion passed.

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- c. Adopt 2017-2018 Pine Lake Weed Control budget: Austin, with support by Hoffman to adopt the Pine Lake Weed Control 2017-2018 budget. Roll call vote: Yes 5, No 0. Motion passed.
- d. Adopt Resolution 2017-008 General Appropriations Act: Armstrong, with support by Austin to adopt Resolution 2017-008. Roll call vote: Yes 5, No 0. Motion passed.
- e. Schedule of Fees: Mahoney, with support by Austin to adopt the Schedule of Fees as presented. Yes 5. No 0. Motion passed.
- f. Cedar Springs fire protection proposal: Austin moved to adopt the 2017-2018 Cedar Springs fire protection contract. Supported by Mahoney. Yes 5, No 0. Motion passed.
- g. Village of Sand Lake fire protection proposal: Mahoney moved to adopt the 2017-2018 Village of Sand Lake fire proposal. Hoffman supported. Yes 5, No 0. Motion passed.
- h. Spencer Township fire protection proposal: Hoffman moved to adopt the 2017-2018 Spencer Township fire proposal. Supported by Austin. Yes 5, No 0. Motion passed.
- i. Venman's proposal: Hoffman moved to accept the 2017-2018 Venman's proposal. Yes 5. No 0. Motion passed.
- j. Cedar Springs Community Night: Nelson Township will not participate this year.
- k. Community Block Grant Report: Work will begin at Gordon Park.

- l. Grand Valley Metro Council Tap fund: Supervisor Britton gave an overview.
  - m. Amend Budget Center: Hoffman made the motion to move \$64.57 from general fund 671-698 to tax account for over payment on winter 2016 taxes, and amend Drains at large by \$3200.00, although they were amended in January 2017, it was not recorded in the minutes. Supported by Mahoney. Yes 5, No 0. Motion passed.
  - n. Review Assessor Computer Quote: The board discussed the quote and decided to gather more information and tabled the measure.
11. Unfinished Business:
- a. Draft Financial Policy – review section 4.59 to 4.71. Tabled
12. Extended Public Comment: None
13. Board Comments: None
14. Adjournment: Mahoney with support by Austin adjourned the board meeting at 8:25 pm.

Laura Hoffman

Nelson Township Clerk