SANDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING
SANDS TOWNSHIP OFFICE COMPLEX
September 12, 2017

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance –**D. Walch called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. **Roll Call –** Darlene Walch, Lee Yelle, David Kallio, Justin Murawski, and Justin Yelle **Absent –** None
   Employees in Attendance: Carolyn Kerkela, Jane Noe
   Public in Attendance: Bob Kallio, Lainey Stevens, Gary Stevens

3. **Public Comment:**
   Lainey Stevens, PWPL TAC Representative, gave an update on library information, including strategic planning and working towards making the library accessible for everyone.

4. **Agenda:** D. Walch moved, J. Yelle seconded, to approve the agenda with the addition of 7e – City Sales Bill, 8f – DNR Response to Fish Hatchery Letter, 10i – Brush Removal, and 10h – Medical Marihuana Facilities Ordinance. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

5. **Consent Agenda:** L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
   a. **Minutes**
      i. **August 15, 2017 Minutes:** Approved as presented.
   b. **Department Reports:** Accepted and placed on file.
      i. **Fire** (No Report)
      ii. **Ambulance**
      iii. **Sanitation / MCSWMA**
      iv. **Cemetery** (No Report)
      v. **Zoning**
   c. **Committee Reports**
      i. **Personnel** (No Report)
      ii. **Parks & Recreation**
      iii. **Groundwater & Well Testing** (No Report)
      iv. **Library** (No Report)
      v. **Council on Aging** (No Report)
   d. **Correspondence**
      i. **DNR Letter**
   e. **Miscellaneous** (None)

6. **Treasurer's Report –** As of August 31, 2017
   General Fund $437,394.00 **Trust & Agency** $0.00 **Fire Fund** $145,219.92
   Ambulance Fund $125,179.88 **Parks/Rec** $124,614.24
   Sanitation $74,454.96 **Taxes** $41,270.88 **Road Repair Fund** $41,166.33

   <u>CD Totals:</u> **Ambulance** $260,922.39 **Roads** $266,475.84 **Fire Dept** $202,501.70
   General Fund $919,468.66 **Parks & Rec** $51,658.68

   <u>Money Markets:</u> **Fire** $48,132.49 **Cemetery Perpetual Care** $2,821.16 **Road Repair Fund** $85,636.03

7. **Clerk's Report**
    a. **Budget Report –** L. Yelle gave report.
    b. **Accounts Payable –** D. Kallio moved, D. Walch seconded, to approve accounts payable as presented: General Fund checks #32753 - #32822 for $30,548.20, Trust & Agency checks #1846 - #1851 for $591.00, and Road Millage checks #2057 and #2058 for $203,009.49, for a total of $234,148.49. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
    c. **Update on Silver Creek Rd. Extension Financial Obligations –** L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve an increase of $70,000 in authorized expenditures for the Road Fund. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
    d. **Garbage Truck Repairs** – A board query was done, with board approval given, on August 22nd for emergency repairs to the engine on the garbage truck, by Crossroads Truck Repair.
    e. **City Sales Bill** – D. Walch moved, J. Yelle seconded, to approve paying the Fire Department's $270 bill to City Sales. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

8. **Supervisor's Report**
    a. **Silver Creek –** Project is progressing. The rights-of-way need to be transferred to the Road Commission.
    b. **PILT Update –** Waiting for Information
    c. **DNR Shooting Range –** D. Kallio gave an update on discussions he had with UPAWS and Gerry Corkin, County Commission Chair.
    d. **MCSWMA 360° Survey –** D. Walch reported a survey of the Landfill Director is being done, with input requested from municipalities.
    e. **MCSWMA County Road NP –** D. Walch reported on a letter from the Landfill's attorney stating the Road Commission should be responsible for the upgrades to County Road NP.
    f. **DNR Response to Fish Hatchery Letter –** D. Walch reported a response was received; the hatchery has not switched to only well water usage.

9. **Old Business**
    a. **Old Town Hall Building –** No Update
    b. **Employee Assistance Program –** No Update
    c. **Charter Franchise Agreement –** J. Murawski moved, D. Kallio seconded, to leave the franchise fee at 0% and approve the Charter Franchise Agreement. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
    d. **Sale of Old School Property –** An easement will be drawn up and the property will go up for bid sale after the October meeting. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

10. **New Business**
    a. **Snow Removal Contract -** L. Yelle will contact Bob's Septic & Snow Removal regarding a 2017-2018 snow removal contract.
    b. **CUPPAD Dues $457 –** D. Walch moved, D. Kallio seconded, to approve paying the CUPPAD dues of $457. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
    c. **Pickleball Requests** – D. Walch moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve the pickleball player's requests for placing a hit board on the tennis court fence and having a locked box for the portable nets. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
    d. **Hall Painting –** L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve the painting of the inside of the town hall. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
    e. **J. Yelle Memo –** J. Yelle shared his concerns regarding our garbage truck and its engine.

f. **Attorney –** K. Koch is retiring, so the Township will have to find a new attorney.
g. **SEMCO Energy Request –** Board consensus was to allow SEMCO to access Township property when testing for the new pipeline.
h. **Brush Removal –** L. Yelle will talk with Bob LaJeunesse regarding his recommends for tree and brush removal around the septic area between the Township Hall and EMS building.
i. **Medical Marihuana Facilities Ordinance** – D. Walch moved, D. Kallio seconded, to move forward with holding a Public Forum in October to discuss possibly approving a Medical Marihuana Facilities Ordinance for the Township. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

11. Public Comment –
Lainey Stevens commented the meeting was interesting and she was glad she stayed.

12. Adjournment – D. Walch adjourned the meeting at 8:43 PM.

Lee Yelle, Clerk Darlene Walch, Supervisor