

SANDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING
SANDS TOWNSHIP OFFICE COMPLEX
January 14, 2014

A. CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 PM by Supervisor B. Yelle

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL: Ben Yelle, Lee Yelle, Cheryl Schram, Darlene Walch, Joe Wixtrom. **Absent:** None
Employees in Attendance: Rickey Wilson, Carolyn Kerkela, Bill Kapeller, Russell Card.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: David Kallio, Roni Yelle, Bob Kallio, Nancy Olsen, Barb Kidder, Doug Barry.

D. AGENDA: C. Schram motioned, L. Yelle supported, to accept agenda with the additions of 1c – 3 radios and 15 gallons of Class A foam and 10b – volunteer training and information for sled dogs and the correction that 3c is a Solid Waste Forum, not Form as printed. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Doug Barry from the DNR thanked the Township for their work towards the grant for the warming hut and reported he has been able to get approval for flush toilets in the building. He also said new equipment is coming for grooming that will be paid for by a grant for the first year.

Dave Kallio thanked Brian Mann and Steve Foulks for their over 50 years of service, collectively, to the Township. Planning and Zoning Boards can be a difficult position and he is sorry to see them no longer with the team.

Barb Kidder thanked Mr. Barry for the wonderful grooming at the Blueberry Ridge trails.

F. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. TREASURER'S REPORT – General Fund \$288,732.97 **Trust & Agency** \$0.00

Fire Fund \$40,711.33 **Ambulance Fund** \$85,877.43 **Parks/Rec** \$102,638.47 **Sanitation** \$44,941.15

Taxes \$2,697.05 **Road Repair Fund** \$159,544.35

C.D TOTALS: **Ambulance** \$204,902.63 **Roads** \$345,065.97 **Fire Dept** \$166,917.02

General Fund \$747,892.49.

Money Markets: **Fire** \$44,383.99 **Cemetery Perpetual Care** \$2,516.29 **Road Repair Fund** \$125,412.50

2. APPROVE MINUTES: C. Schram motioned, L. Yelle supported, to approve minutes of the 12/10/13 regular meeting as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

3. BUDGET REPORT: L. Yelle motioned, C. Schram supported, to take \$5,000 from contingency and move it into assessor. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

4. APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: L. Yelle motioned, D Walch supported, to approve accounts payable as presented; General Fund checks # 29425 - # 29503 totaling \$37,240.42, Trust & Agency checks #1793 - #1796 totaling \$333.00 and Tax Collections checks #2798 - #2823 totaling \$295,309.10. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief's report- Chief Rickey Wilson read report.

a. L. Yelle motioned, B. Yelle supported, to accept Jacob Stipe's resignation from the Fire Department. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

b. L. Yelle motioned, D. Walch supported, to approve the purchase of 15 gallons of Class A foam for \$165, a yellow helmet for \$219, and to repair the breathing air compressor for \$500, for a total of \$884.00. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

c. L. Yelle motioned, D. Walch supported, to approve CPR training for 22 people for \$150. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

d. J. Wixtrom motioned, C. Schram supported, to approve the purchase of 3 radios. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

2. AMBULANCE:

a. R. Wilson gave report.

b. C. Schram motioned, B. Yelle supported, to purchase a new stair chair from Stryker for \$3,183. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

c. C Schram motioned, B. Yelle supported, to have Darrell Dettman review the EMS contract with MGH before accepting. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

3. SUPERVISOR'S REPORT-

a. L. Yelle motioned, J. Wixtrom supported, to approve sending B. Yelle and Randy Yelle to the DEQ Solid Waste Forum on February 6 for \$20 per person. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

4. CLERK'S REPORT-

a. D. Walch motioned, C. Schram supported, send the letter with the request for information to the Fair Board, with corrections. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

b. Marquette County Rec Plan website information was passed to board members. No action.

5. LANDFILL-

6. ZONING –C. Kerkela read the report prepared by R. Yelle.

7. LIBRARY- No Report.

8. GROUNDWATER AND WELL TESTING- D. Kallio reported the first County Water Committee meeting is on January 21st.

9. COMMISSION ON AGING- No Report.

10. PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE- No Report.

11. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – No Report

12. CEMETERY - No Report

H. OLD BUSINESS –

a. B. Yelle motioned, C. Schram supported, to accept the County's offer regarding PA 217 as written, with the intent to revisit the agreement in 3 years. Ayes: 3 Nays: 2 Motion carried.

b. No update on the Fire Department's Brush Truck.

I. NEW BUSINESS –None

J.. OTHER/ CORRESPONDENCE: None

K. PUBLIC COMMENT:

D. Kallio said Sargent's Recycling in Escanaba may be interested in working with the Township and taking some items collected at our transfer station for free. He also urged the Board to look closely at Act 217; the Act says to share profits and the offer from the county is not sharing profits fairly.

L. ADJOURNMENT: B. Yelle adjourned meeting at 7:53 PM.

Lee Yelle, Clerk

Benjamin Yelle, Supervisor