

SANDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING
SANDS TOWNSHIP OFFICE COMPLEX
April 8, 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.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: Roni Yelle, Bob Kallio, Jo Kapeller, David Kallio, Barb Kidder.

D. AGENDA: C. Schram motioned, L. Yelle supported, to accept agenda with the addition of 1e – Gas Detector Batteries. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT: D. Kallio asked the board to consider changing the time allowed for public comment from three minutes to five minutes.

F. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. TREASURER'S REPORT – General Fund \$377,433.21 Trust & Agency \$0.00

Fire Fund \$79,755.32 Ambulance Fund \$104,366.52 Parks/Rec \$124,258.23 Sanitation \$80,258.23

Taxes \$1,021.50 Road Repair Fund \$246,868.57

C.D TOTALS: Ambulance \$205,177.31 Roads \$345,157.26 Fire Dept \$167,234.49

General Fund \$750,900.85

Money Markets: Fire \$44,411.67 Cemetery Perpetual Care \$2,516.50 Road Repair Fund \$125,475.72

C. Schram motioned, L. Yelle supported, to place \$30,000 from the Fire Fund and \$50,000 from the Ambulance Fund into 60 month CD's at First Bank in Escanaba at an interest rate of 1.61%. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

2. APPROVE MINUTES: D. Walch motioned, C. Schram supported, to approve minutes of the 3/11/14 regular meeting as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

3. BUDGET REPORT: L. Yelle explained why General Miscellaneous Income was 63% below budget for the fiscal year, and noted there was a large decrease in the Landfill Tipping Fee from 2012 to 2013.

4. APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: D. Walch motioned, L. Yelle supported, to approve accounts payable as presented; General Fund checks # 29631 - # 29711 totaling \$29,961.60, Trust & Agency checks #1797 - #1799 totaling \$327.00, Road Millage check #20150 for \$192.33, and Tax Collections checks #2857 - #2874 totaling \$32,667.60. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. FIRE DEPARTMENT

a. Chief Rickey Wilson read report.

b. J. Wixtrom motioned, B. Yelle supported, to approve payment of the UP Fire Chief Membership dues of \$50. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

c. L. Yelle motioned, D. Walch supported, to approve the purchase of fire extinguishers for Station 1 for \$949.41 and Station 2 for \$360.59, and to purchase two gas detector batteries at \$60 apiece. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

2. AMBULANCE:

a. R. Wilson gave report.

- b. L. Yelle motioned, C. Schram supported, to approve the purchase of new bulbs for the ambulance headlights. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

3. SUPERVISOR'S REPORT- No Report

4. CLERK'S REPORT-

- a. C. Schram motioned, B. Yelle supported, to purchase 2 collapsible sided ballot bags for \$67.30 each and 2 rolling ballot bags for \$159 each. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

5. LANDFILL-No Report.

6. ZONING –No Report.

7. LIBRARY- No Report.

8. GROUNDWATER AND WELL TESTING- D. Kallio gave an update on the County Water Committee.

9. COMMISSION ON AGING – L. Yelle gave report.

10. PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE- B. Kallio gave update.

11. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – No Report.

12. CEMETERY – No Report.

H. OLD BUSINESS –

- a. The Fire Department has not found a suitable brush truck yet.
- b. C. Schram reported the Township had to pay \$848.64 to Marquette County, which will get refunded to Reyes Holdings.

I. NEW BUSINESS –

- a. C. Schram motioned, L. Yelle supported, to increase the length of Public Comment to 5 minutes per person, while keeping a 20 min total unless the Chair feels additional time is appropriate. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

J. OTHER/ CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. L. Yelle reported the Marquette County Road Commission year-end financial report is available in the office for anyone interested to review.
- b. A letter was mailed to the Marquette County Fair Board requesting they keep the Board of Review informed on the IRS decision regarding their 501c3 status.

K. PUBLIC COMMENT:

D. Kallio thanked the board for lengthening Public Comment.

L. ADJOURNMENT: B. Yelle adjourned meeting at 7:39 PM.