

**SANDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING**  
**SANDS TOWNSHIP OFFICE COMPLEX**  
**January 9, 2018**

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, Randy Yelle, Jane Noe, Ben Yelle, Angela Yelle  
**Public in Attendance:** Suzanne Sundell, Bob Kallio
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Agenda:** L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: 5  
Nays: 0 Motion carried.
5. **Consent Agenda:** L. Yelle moved, J. Yelle seconded, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
  - a. **Minutes**
    - i. **December 12, 2017 Minutes:** Approved as presented.
  - b. **Department Reports:** Accepted and placed on file.
    - i. **Fire**
    - ii. **Ambulance** (No Report)
    - iii. **Sanitation / MCSWMA**
    - iv. **Cemetery** (No Report)
    - v. **Zoning**
  - c. **Committee Reports**
    - i. **Personnel**
    - ii. **Parks & Recreation**
    - iii. **Groundwater & Well Testing** (No Report)
    - iv. **Library** (No Report)
    - v. **Council on Aging** (No Report)
  - d. **Correspondence** (None)
  - e. **Miscellaneous**
    - i. **Internal memo re: Garbage & Recycling Data**
6. **Treasurer's Report** –  
**General Fund** \$212,261.73    **Trust & Agency** \$0.00    **Fire Fund** \$146,502.47  
**Ambulance Fund** \$127,823.44    **Parks/Rec** \$112,122.93  
**Sanitation** \$59,827.88    **Taxes** \$120,351.72    **Road Repair Fund** \$68,358.86  
  
**CD Totals:** **Ambulance** \$261,504.73    **Roads** \$266,329.57    **Fire Dept** \$203,218.91  
**General Fund** \$796,949.58    **Parks & Rec** \$51,847.48  
  
**Money Markets:** **Fire** \$48,164.68    **Cemetery Perpetual Care** \$2,821.62    **Road Repair Fund** \$85,679.20

## 7. Clerk's Report

- a. **Budget Report** – L. Yelle gave report. L. Yelle moved, D. Kallio seconded, to take \$1,850 from Attorney, reducing expenses to \$34,050 and placing in Transfer Station, increasing the authorized expenditures to \$19,150, and to take \$3,340 from Elections, reducing to \$5,560 and \$500 from Contingency and adding \$3,840 Legislative, increasing the authorized expenditures to \$16,440. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- b. **Accounts Payable** – L. Yelle moved, D. Kallio seconded, to approve accounts payable as presented: General Fund checks #33064 - #33150, including the electronic fund transfer for the federal liabilities, for \$156,453.65, and Tax Collection checks #3268-#3270 for \$6,610.16, for a total of \$163,063.81. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- c. **Expenditures Authorized Under Resolution** – L. Yelle reported that approval was granted for EMS members to attend the EMS Conference in Escanaba (\$900 maximum), Garbage Truck Repairs (\$412.87), and Code Electric work at Transfer Station (\$312.43).
- d. **2018 Board Meeting Dates** – Board consensus for Township Board meetings continuing to be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM for 2018.

## 8. Supervisor's Report

- a. **PILT Update** – No Information
- b. **DNR Shooting Range** – D. Walch gave an update.

## 9. Old Business

- a. **Old Town Hall** – No Update
- b. **Possible Property Purchase** – On Hold
- c. **Bunker Gear** – Waiting for more information from Fire dept.
- d. **Fire Department – Positions & SOG's** – D. Kallio moved, J. Yelle seconded, to approve the Fire Department officers as recommended by the Fire Department (Chief – Ben Yelle, Secretary – Angela Yelle, Training Officer – Pat Mager, Assist. Chief #1- Andrew Sicotte, and Assist. Chief #2 - Terry Sleeter). Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried. The SOG's will be reviewed and updated by Fire Department personnel, the Personnel Committee, and the attorney.
- e. **Position Description – Fire / EMS** – The Personnel Committee will meet with Fire Department leadership to discuss.
- f. **Sanitation Positions** – L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Committee and appoint Ken Contois as Head of Department and Driver when Jim Goin retires in February, hire Gary Aho to replace Ken Contois as a Garbage Collector, to talk with the other applicants to see if they would consider being substitutes, and to see if anyone else is interested in getting a CDL. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- g. **Planning Commission and ZBA Positions** – D. Kallio moved, L. Yelle seconded, to accept the Supervisor's recommendation to reappoint Shelly Brauer and Eric Anderson to the Planning Commission and Richard Nelson to the ZBA, and to appoint Suzanne Sundell and Victoria Jenema as alternates to the ZBA. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

## 10. New Business

- a. **Zoning Permit Fees** – D. Walch moved, D. Kallio seconded, to accept the fee changes as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

- b. Commercial Marihuana Facility Permit Application** – D. Kallio moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve the Commercial Marihuana Facility Permit Application with the discussed corrections. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- c. EMS Medical Control Authority Advisory Board Representatives** – D. Walch reported that Frank Rosado was reappointed as a representative to the UP Health Systems Medical Control Authority Advisory Board, and Randy Schwemin as an alternate their terms expire on 12/31/2021.
- d. Front Office Window Counter** – L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve replacement of the front office window counter from Champion Glass & Countertop for \$380.40. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- e. MCRC Crack, Chip and Fog Seal** – On Hold until February.
- f. New Firefighters** – J. Yelle moved, D. Kallio seconded, to approve hiring Kyle McMahon, David Green, and Wesley Matteson to the Fire Department as recommended by the Department. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- g. MTA Annual Conference** – L. Yelle moved, J. Yelle seconded, to approve anyone who would like to attend the MTA Annual Conference April 23-26 at approximately \$1,200 each. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

**11. Public Comment –**

Terry Sleeter invited the Board members to the potluck held by the Fire Department on January 20<sup>th</sup>.

**12. Adjournment** – D. Walch adjourned the meeting at 7:47 PM.

Lee Yelle, Clerk

Darlene Walch, Supervisor