

**SANDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING
SANDS TOWNSHIP OFFICE COMPLEX
August 14, 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, Justin Murawski, and Justin Yelle **Absent** – David Kallio
Employees in Attendance: Carolyn Kerkela, Bob Vietzke
Public in Attendance: Bob Kallio, Barb Kidder, Jeremy Applekamp, Bob Lambert, Charles Lescinsky
3. **Public Comment:** Jeremy Applekamp questioned what zoning allows for Recreational Property. He believes the Zoning Ordinance shows R, RR, FA and OS all allow for a Recreational Facility. D. Walch recommended him meeting with Randy to discuss zoning.
4. **Agenda:** L. Yelle moved, J. Yelle seconded, to approve the agenda with the addition of 7c – Info on Fire Hall, 7d – MML Dividend Check, 8e – Pelissier Lake Road Update, adding tires as discussion under 10c, and moving item 10a to be addressed after item 6. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
5. **Consent Agenda:** L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
 - a. **Minutes**
 - a. **July 10, 2018 Minutes:** Approved as presented.
 - b. **Department Reports:** Accepted and placed on file.
 - a. **Fire**
 - b. **Ambulance** (No Report)
 - c. **Sanitation / MCSWMA**
 - d. **Cemetery** (No Report)
 - e. **Zoning**
 - c. **Committee Reports**
 - a. **Personnel** (No Report)
 - b. **Parks & Recreation**
 - c. **Groundwater & Well Testing** (No Report)
 - d. **Library** (No Report)
 - e. **Council on Aging**
 - d. **Correspondence** – DEQ Letter, Marquette County Road Commission Letter & Response Letter
 - e. **Miscellaneous** – Letters from Marquette County Board of Commissioners, EAP Utilization Report, MCSWMA Information
6. **Treasurer's Report** – As of July 31, 2018
General Fund \$379,478.37 **Trust & Agency** \$1,053.00 **Fire Fund** \$196,852.57
Ambulance Fund \$155,222.97 **Parks/Rec** \$138,208.68
Sanitation \$74,206.31 **Taxes** \$107,795.17 **Road Repair Fund** \$108,268.88

CD Totals: **Ambulance** \$262,170.28 **Roads** \$266,475.84 **Fire Dept** \$204,006.74
General Fund \$804,046.23 **Parks & Rec** \$52,411.81

Money Markets: Fire \$48,220.38 Cemetery Perpetual Care \$2,822.45 Road Repair Fund \$85,721.70

(10a). Zoning Map Amendments:

L. Yelle moved, J. Yelle seconded, to approve changing the 8 parcels in Section 14, T46N-R25W, from Rural Residential to Forestry & Agriculture, as recommended by the Planning Commission (RZ2018-04). Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion Carried.

J. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation pertaining to rezoning the areas in Section 1 and 12 of T47N-R25W from Residential to either Open Space or Rural Residential (RZ2018-02). Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

7. Clerk's Report

- a. **Budget Report** – L. Yelle gave report.
- b. **Accounts Payable** – L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve accounts payable as presented: General Fund checks #33622 - #33700, for \$44,216.38, and Tax Collection checks #3340 - #3345 for \$220,294.30, for a total of \$264,510.68. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- c. **Information on Fire Hall #2** – L. Yelle said a new posting box was installed at Hall #2, and that the sign and flag bracket need to be replaced. After discussion, it was noted that other signs in the Township need replacing, L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to look into the cost of replacing all signs in the Township that need to be replaced. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
L. Yelle also mentioned the annual inspection was completed on Truck #2122.
- d. L. Yelle reported a dividend check was received from MML for \$1,657.

8. Supervisor's Report

- a. **PILT Update** – D. Walch gave an update, and recommended passing this issue to the attorney.
- b. **Tire Grant** – D. Walch gave an update on the successful tire collection.
- c. **Maternity Leave** – D. Walch moved, J. Murawski seconded, to work with ManPower and use the same maternity plan/program as in the past for when Carolyn Kerkela has her baby in October. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- d. **Road Quotes Update – Silver Creek & Sandwood Drive** –
L. Yelle moved, J. Yelle seconded, to approve the additional \$18,663.74 for the chip seal on West Sandwood Drive, bringing the total road projects to \$61,533.61. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

D. Walch moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve paving 2/10 of a mile of the Silver Creek Extension Road, from the existing apron and going East, and to extend the left turn flare on M553, for approximately \$115,000. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

D. Walch moved, L. Yelle seconded, to collaborate with the Road Commission and experiment by doing a double chip seal on the remainder of the Silver Creek Extension Road, splitting the cost 50/50 with the Road Commission. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

- e. **Pelissier Lake Road**- D. Walch gave an update on discussions regarding a possible Special Assessment for improvements to Pelissier Lake Road.

9. Old Business

- a. **Audit Contract Expires – On Hold**
- b. **Recognizing Citizens United for Freedom & Firearms as a nonprofit –** D. Walch moved, L. Yelle seconded, to approve the Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming Licenses, which recognizes Citizens United for Freedom & Firearms as a nonprofit organization. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

10. New Business

- a. **Zoning Map Amendments –** already addressed
- b. **Fire Department Purchase (Wildland Pump Package) –** J. Yelle moved, D. Walch seconded, to approve the purchase of the wildland fire equipment for \$3,500. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- c. **Replace Floor Mat in Garbage Truck & Truck Tires –** J. Yelle suggested a solution for the worn floor mat, which will be discussed with Ken. J. Yelle said he would get 3 quotes for new tires on the garbage truck.
- d. **Updated Master Plan (1st Reading) –** The updated Master Plan was presented as a first reading.
- e. **Fire Department Resignation Letter –** J. Yelle moved, L. Yelle seconded, to accept the resignation of Cory Pfaffle from the Fire Department. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- f. **Request from Lyn re EMS Member –** D. Walch moved, J. Murawski seconded, to accept Errol Lukkarinen as a new member to EMS for special events. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- g. **New Tables –** L. Yelle moved, D. Walch seconded, to purchase 5 trapezoid tables from Custer Office Supply for the front meeting room for \$2,643. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

L. Yelle moved, D. Walch seconded, to approve purchasing a 36" x 60" table for \$720 and 2 stools for \$103 each from K-Log, for a total of \$926, plus shipping charges. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

11. Public Comment –

Bob Vietzke thanked the board for their work. He hopes the M553 bypass lane extension can be done before winter. He also thanked the board and Carolyn for their help with clearing up the confusion for the work on Sandwood Drive vs. West Sandwood. He gave some examples of problems the road names have caused and asked if renaming Sandwood as East Sandwood was possible?

12. Adjournment – D. Walch adjourned the meeting at 8:40 PM.

Lee Yelle, Clerk

Darlene Walch, Supervisor