

**SANDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING**  
**SANDS TOWNSHIP OFFICE COMPLEX**  
**January 8, 2019**

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, Terry Sleeter  
**Public in Attendance:** Bob Kallio, Jane Noe, Diana Nelson, Marge Forslin, and Ted Balzarini
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Agenda:** L. Yelle moved, D. Kallio seconded, to approve the agenda after moving item 10d, Resolution of Appreciation for Richard Nelson, to before the Consent Agenda. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
  - a. **Resolution of Appreciation for Richard Nelson:** D. Walch presented the Resolution of Appreciation to Diana Nelson, thanking Rick for his service to the Township.
5. **Consent Agenda:** L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
  - a. **Minutes**
    - a. **December 11, 2018 Minutes:** Approved.
    - b. **December 14, 2018 (Special Meeting) Minutes:** Approved
  - 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** (No Report)
  - d. **Correspondence** – None
  - e. **Miscellaneous** – None
6. **Treasurer's Report** – As of December 31, 2018 (not balanced with clerk)  
**General Fund** \$325,646.76 **Trust & Agency** \$422.00 **Fire Fund** \$185,357.56  
**Ambulance Fund** \$154,539.07 **Parks/Rec** \$130,070.61  
**Sanitation** \$39,539.30 **Taxes** \$538,107.72 **Road Repair Fund** \$180,989.08  
**CD Totals:** **Ambulance** \$263,001.47 **Roads** \$266,635.77 **Fire Dept** \$204,964.49  
**General Fund** \$809,302.92 **Parks & Rec** \$52,793.53  
**Money Markets:** **Fire** \$48,253.15 **Cemetery Perpetual Care** \$2,823.05 **Road Repair Fund** \$85,764.92
7. **Clerk's Report**
  - a. **Budget Report** – General Fund authorized expenses. L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to take \$5,805 from Contingency and increase the authorized expenditures for Assessing by \$500 (total \$21,350), for Building & Grounds by \$3,555 (total \$47,435),

and Fire Dept #2 by \$1,750 (total \$8,250). Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried. L. Yelle commented on the need to monitor the expenses from the Sanitation Fund.

- b. **Accounts Payable** – L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve accounts payable as presented: General Fund checks #34006 - #34083, for \$40,555.78. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- c. **Budget Preparation** – L. Yelle reported it is time to look at budgeting for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year.

## 8. Supervisor's Report

- a. **PILT Update** – No Update
- b. **EMS Action Plan** – D. Walch gave an update and will be meeting with EMS personnel.

## 9. Old Business

- a. **Fire Department Extrication Tool** – J. Yelle moved, L. Yelle seconded, to approve the purchase of a Genesis 17c EFORCE extrication tool for \$11,525.50 as requested by the Fire Department. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- b. **Defibrillator** – D. Walch moved, J.; Murawski seconded, to approve the purchase of a refurbished AED from ForeMost for \$712.97 for the gym area. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- c. **Solar Panels** – D. Kallio gave an update.
- d. **Oakridge Street Light** – Consensus was to have D. Walch write a letter to the requester saying the Township would not be willing to pay for a street light, but that they are welcome to look into having one installed themselves.

## 10. New Business

- a. **MTA Annual Conference** – Will look at this in February if anyone is interested.
- b. **Board of Review Member Terms** – D. Walch moved, L. Yelle seconded, to reappoint Louis Verville, Tom Redlon, and Carolyn Myers to the Board of Review, with Pamela Lajewski-Pearson as an alternate. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- c. **Active911** – L. Yelle moved, D. Kallio seconded, to pay the annual subscription for Active911 for \$282. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- d. **Resolution of Appreciation for Richard Nelson** – Placed on file as permanent record.
- e. **Newsletter** – L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve publishing the Winter 2019 Newsletter. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- f. **Ted Balzarini Request for Street Lights**– Ted Balzarini shared his concerns with a lack of lighting in subdivisions. He had some suggestions on funding for the lights, and hoped that future subdivision plans will be required to include lighting.

## 11. Public Comment –

Ted Balzarini asked if it was possible to see if the 3% price increase for the extrication tool could be reversed; T. Sleeter already inquired and it cannot. Marge Forslin commented she is happy to hear the Township is investigating solar, and suggested possibly other energy reductions in the future.

## 12. Adjournment – D. Walch adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.