

**SANDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING  
SANDS TOWNSHIP OFFICE COMPLEX  
August 13, 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 (arrived 7:15)  
**Employees in Attendance:** Carolyn Kerkela  
**Public in Attendance:** Gary Stevens, Bob Kallio, Carrie Lusk, Barb Kidder, Melissa Lehtomaki
3. **Public Comment:**  
Bob Kallio asked where the new transfer & recycling facility will be located, and if it would interfere with a possible ball diamond. He asked that the Rec Committee be apprised once exact location is known. He feels most residents do not know about the plans for the new facility which possibly could affect a future ball diamond. Carrie Lusk, hopes the new facility does not interfere with future plans for a ball diamond. Barb Kidder commented that she has not heard mention of plans for a ball diamond.
4. **Agenda:** D. Walch moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve the agenda with addition of 10g – Letter to MDOT & MCRC re: roundabout. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
5. **Consent Agenda:** D. Kallio moved, J. Yelle seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda with removal of the Sanitation Report for discussion as agenda item 8b. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
  - a. **Minutes** – July 9, 2019 and August 6, 2019
  - b. **Department Reports:** Accepted and placed on file.
    - a. **Fire** (No Report)
    - b. **Ambulance** (No Report)
    - c. **Sanitation / MCSWMA** (Sanitation report removed for discussion)
    - d. **Cemetery**
    - 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** – MCSWMA Special Board Meeting Action Memo
  - e. **Miscellaneous** – MML letter re: Dividend Check \$1,644
6. **Treasurer's Report** – As of July 31, 2019  
**General Fund** \$458,817.16    **Trust & Agency** \$911.00    **Fire Fund** \$178,703.88  
**Ambulance Fund** \$188,955.57    **Parks/Rec** \$166,067.73  
**Sanitation** \$59,024.05    **Taxes** \$291,342.22    **Road Repair Fund** \$260,874.44  
Report on CD totals not given  
**Money Markets:** **Fire** \$48,324.85    **Cemetery Perpetual Care** \$2,823.87    **Road Repair Fund** \$85,807.46
7. **Clerk's Report**

- a. **Accounts Payable** – L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve accounts payable as presented: General Fund checks #34526 - #34602, including the electronic liability payments, for a total of \$42,160.92. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- b. **Budget Report** – L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to increase authorized Road Fund expenditures by \$44,000, for a total of \$187,447.00. Ayes: 4 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- c. **Swales Bill** – L. Yelle reported that a new sump pump was needed in the gym area, at a cost of \$482, approved via resolution #12122017.

## 8. Supervisor's Report

- a. **DEQ Recycling Grant** – D. Walch Update.
- b. **Sanitation Report** – D. Kallio moved, L. Yelle seconded, to approve sending a letter to residents on Silver Creek Drive to inform them that if their road condition does not improve, they will need to bring their garbage down to Silver Creek Road for pickup. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried. (Justin Yelle arrived)

## 9. Old Business

- a. **Personnel: Garbage Truck Subs, Cleaning at Fire Hall/EMS, Backup for JJ:** D. Walch reported 3 new subs for the garbage truck; No update on other items.
- b. **Fire Hall Sign** – No Update.

## 10. New Business

- a. **Additional Road Repair Costs (overhead)** – D. Walch moved, J. Yelle seconded, to approve the additional cost of \$5,382.91 for the HMA resurfacing work and \$915.48 for Silver Creek Road, both of which were the overhead charges from the Road Commission for the projects. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- b. **Additional Charges for Dust Control** – D. Kallio moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve an additional \$924.71 for dust control. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- c. **Pavement Repair Hall 2** – D. Kallio moved, J. Yelle seconded, to approve the \$750 for Superior Paving to do the pavement repair at Fire Hall #2, unless the fire department would like to investigate having the whole area resurfaced at the same time. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- d. **New Planning Commission Appointment** – D. Walch moved, L. Yelle seconded, to appoint Cory Bushong to the Planning Commission. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- e. **Water Testing Near Old Dump** – Dave Kallio and Jim Noe will check to see if any of the monitoring wells near the old dump are able to be tested.
- f. **Design Plans for New Facility** – On hold; waiting for additional information.
- g. **Letter of Support for Roundabout to MDOT and MCRC** – J. Yelle moved, L. Yelle seconded, to send a letter to both MDOT and the Marquette County Road Commission supporting a roundabout at the Crossroads.

## 11. Public Comment –

Melissa Lehotmaki asked about a roundabout vs. a timed light. She also questioned if a petition signed by residents could be helpful.

## 12. Adjournment – D. Walch adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM.