

**SANDS TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING
SANDS TOWNSHIP OFFICE COMPLEX
September 10, 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:
Public in Attendance: Gary Stevens, Lainey Stevens, Bob Kallio, Andrea Ingmire, Jane Noe, Marge Forslin

Public Comment: Andrea Ingmire from Peter White Public Library shared information and provided a handout regarding the library’s annual report. She shared how the statistics on the many programs and events are compiled.

3. **Agenda:** D. Kallio moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve the agenda with addition of 8b – Teaching Family Homes Request. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
4. **Consent Agenda:** L. Yelle moved, J. Yelle seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
 - a. **Minutes** –August 13, 2019
 - b. **Department Reports:** Accepted and placed on file.
 - a. **Fire**
 - b. **Ambulance** (No Report)
 - c. **Sanitation / MCSWMA**
 - 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** –
 - a. DNR Letter re: Open House 9/18/19
 - b. DOT Response Letter (regarding Co Rd 480 & M553 junction)
 - e. **Miscellaneous**
 - a. Census LUCA Update
 - b. NEAP Utilization Report

5. **Treasurer’s Report** – As of August 31, 2019
General Fund \$438,484.21 **Trust & Agency** \$911.00 **Fire Fund** \$175,901.17
Ambulance Fund \$189,083.77 **Parks/Rec** \$162,870.94
Sanitation \$51,588.52 **Taxes** \$134,864.38 **Road Repair Fund** \$261,398.98
No CD information

Money Markets: Fire \$48,331.40 Cemetery Perpetual Care \$2,823.99 Road Repair Fund \$85,807.46

6. Clerk's Report

- a. **Accounts Payable** – J. Yelle moved, L. Yelle seconded, to approve accounts payable as presented: General Fund checks #34603 - #34678 for \$49,156.34 and Tax Collection checks #3407 - #3412 for \$292,654.24, for a total of \$341,810.58.
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- b. **Budget Report** – L. Yelle reported that the general fund is sitting well; as already into the 2nd quarter of the fiscal year we have expenditures at approximately 33% when we could be at approximately 41% at the end of August.
- c. **2019-2020 Snow Removal Contract** - D. Kallio moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve contracting with Bob's Snow Removal for the 2019-2020 snow season.
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- d. The L-4029 for 2019 has been completed and will be routed to the Equalization Dept.

7. Supervisor's Report

- a. **DEQ Recycling Grant** – D. Walch gave Update.
- b. **Teaching Family Homes request** – D. Kallio moved, L. Yelle seconded, to approve the township board sending a letter, drafted by D. Walch, to the Marquette Co. Road Commission requesting that a speed limit of 25 miles per hour be set on Silver Creek Road in the TFH school zone area. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- c. D. Walch commended Carolyn Kerkela for all the diligent work and time she spent on the 2020 Census LUCA (Local Update of Census Address).

8. Old Business

- a. **Personnel: Garbage Truck Subs, Cleaning at Fire Hall/EMS, Backup for JJ:** D. Walch reported 1 new sub for the garbage truck; No update on other items.
- b. **Fire Hall Sign** – L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve a sign for Emergency services being installed at Fire Hall #1 with cost estimated at \$400.
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- c. **Water Testing Near Old Dump** – Dave Kallio and Jim Noe will be testing the monitoring wells near the old dump, as well as ones near Oakridge area.

9. New Business

- a. **Request for Proposals for Recycling Facility** – After review and discussion L. Yelle moved, J. Murawski seconded, to approve the submitted Request for Proposals and to contact Engineering firms for bids and post on the township website.
Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
(Integrated Designs Inc., North Country Engineering, Coleman Engineering Co, Bittner Engineering, Robert Cambensy, UP Engineers & Architects, Sundberg & Associates)
- b. After discussion D. Walch declared a special meeting set for October 1, 2019 at 7 PM. for the purpose of reviewing bids.

10. Public Comment –

Bob Kallio complained about leachate from the garbage truck on the road in front of his house.

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