

**NILES CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MARCH 21, 2016
REGULAR MEETING**

Supervisor Stover called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall, 320 Bell Road. Eull led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Cooper, Eull, Noble, Ringler, Vella, Stover. Board member absent: Hoese.

Agenda Approval: Ringler motioned to approve the agenda with addition to new business; item number 10.5 Milton Township Fire Contract. Noble supported.

All voting in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Special Guests: Sergeant Babcock presented January 2016 Police report.

Comments from the Public on Agenda Items: None.

Consent Agenda:

Cooper motioned to approve the consent agenda. Vella supported.

1. March 21, 2016 Expenditures and Transfers:

General O & M	\$498,164.29	Fire O & M	\$25,580.76
Sewer O & M	\$23,651.81	Water O & M	\$1,924.98
Building Dept. Fund	\$1,447.60		
GRAND TOTAL	\$550,769.44		
2. March 7, 2016 regular meeting minutes
3. March 7, 2016 special meeting minutes
4. February 2016 Building Report
5. February 2016 Fire Report
6. February 2016 Revenue/Expense Report
7. February 2016 Zoning/Ordinance Report
8. Certificates of Completion for Doug Wise and Gary Brovold

ROLL CALL AYES: Cooper, Eull, Noble, Ringler, Vella, Stover.
NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence/Announcements: Eull advised that the Berrien County Drain Commissioner Board of Determination meeting is March 22, 2016. Stover read a letter from the Chamber of Commerce thanking the Township for being a member.

Unfinished Business: Vella had questions on who maintains private roads.

New Business:

Rezoning of Property-1217 Ontario and 1225 Ontario: Eull motioned to approve the rezoning of 1217 and 1225 Ontario Road to General Business. Vella supported.

ROLL CALL AYES: Eull, Noble, Ringler, Vella, Stover, Cooper.
NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Southwest Michigan Pickleball: Bryan Rodgers with Southwest Michigan Pickleball presented an update for the Township tennis courts for repairs and reserving court times for this summer.

Warrant for Collection of Special Assessment Roll for Mission Hills Subdivision Road Improvement: Stover motioned to adopt the warrant for the collection of the special assessment roll for Mission Hills Special Assessment District. Vella supported.
ROLL CALL AYES: Noble, Ringler, Vella, Stover, Cooper, Eull.
NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Approve Township Clean-Up Day, April 9, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.: Ringler motioned to approve a Township clean-up day for April 9, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Noble supported.
All voting in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Milton Township Fire Contract: Vella motioned to approve the Milton Township Fire Contract with the addition that Milton Township collect 1.5 mills for the year of 2016 to keep Niles Charter Township whole and then revert back to 1 mill. Noble supported.
ROLL CALL AYES: Ringler, Vella, Stover, Cooper, Eull, Noble.
NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Comments from the Public: A resident of Airport Road was concerned of the noise from the road.

Committee Reports:

Cooper: NATS new money estimates for future road improvements. Cooper advised the Planning Commission meets on March 22, 2016.

Eull: None.

Hoese: Absent.

Ringler: reported that tax collection was at 95% and 92%. There are a lot of tax reversion properties in Niles Charter Township.

Noble: reported that he has been solving tree problems, potholes on Philip Road, and street light issues.

Vella: advised that she has questions with reading financial reports for SMCAS. There is a new company doing the billing and it is causing confusion. Vella reported there is a trail clean-up day April 14, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. Vella advised donations for the trail are at \$30,000.00.

Supervisor's Report: Advised of special meeting on Tuesday, March 29, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. on township road plan with the County. Advised a park draft of rules is coming. Also, Stover read a letter on an idea for the trail project.

Noble motioned to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Cooper supported the motion.
All voting in favor

MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry E. Eull, Clerk

James W. Stover, Supervisor