

**NILES CHARTER TOWNSHIP
APRIL 7, 2014
REGULAR MEETING**

Supervisor Stover called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. at the Township Hall, 320 Bell Road. Stover led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Cooper, Eull, Hoese, Ringler, Stover, Vella. Board Member Absent: Noble

Agenda Approval: Ringler motioned to approve the agenda as submitted. Cooper supported the motion.
All voting in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Berrien County Report: Rep. Pagel was present and advised that Old U.S. 31 Highway is on the priority list to possibly be repaved. Donna Howard announced her candidacy for Berrien County District Court Judge. Brian Berndt of the Berrien County Road Commission was present to discuss the critical bridge on Ferndale.

Comments from the Public on Agenda Items: None.

Consent Agenda:

Cooper motioned to approve the consent agenda. Ringler supported.

1. April 7, 2014 Expenditures and Transfers:

General O & M	\$58,744.45	Fire O & M	\$27,190.45
Sewer O & M	\$12,906.96	Water O & M	\$14,989.41
Building Fund	\$2,908.00	River Valley Trail Fund	\$3,407.56
Street Light Fund	\$3,043.22	Sewer City Charge	\$99,184.63
GRAND TOTAL	\$222,374.68		

2. March 17, 2014 regular meeting minutes.

3. Election Inspectors for May 6, 2014.

ROLL CALL AYES: Cooper, Eull, Hoese, Ringler, Stover, Vella.

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence/Announcements: Eull read a letter from Michigan Gateway Community Foundation regarding a check for the Indiana-Michigan River Valley Trail Special Project Fund.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

Berrien County Road Commission-Critical Bridge Resolution 14-02: Eull motioned to adopt resolution 14-02 to support the Berrien County Road Commission to apply for federal and state funding for assistance for the replacement of bridge no. 141002200 B01 on Ferndale Street over Brandywine Creek. Hoese supported.

ROLL CALL AYES: Eull, Hoese, Ringler, Stover, Vella, Cooper

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Chamberlain Road Repair: Ringler motioned to authorized bids for the repairs to Chamberlain Road. Cooper supported.

ROLL CALL AYES: Hoese, Ringler, Stover, Cooper, Eull

NAYES: Vella.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resignation of Firefighter Jim Schoenthaler: Ringler motioned to accept the resignation of Firefighter Jim Schoenthaler. Cooper supported.

All voting in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Comments from the Public: Jeanette Pursonett made a statement on the bad condition of roads.

Committee Reports:

Cooper: None.

Eull: None.

Hoese: None.

Ringler: Advised that 93% of winter and 94% of summer taxes was collected.

Noble: absent.

Vella: advised of information for the SMCAS Budget. Vella advised the preliminary work is being done for the trail project.

Supervisor's Report: reported the senate may allow medical marijuana dispensaries. Stover is working with the school to develop a logo. The township did not receive the SAW grant this cycle. Stover advised the Michigan State Police inquired if the township would be interested in a gun buy back day.

Hoese motioned to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. Vella supported the motion.
All voting in favor

MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry E. Eull, Clerk

James W. Stover, Supervisor