

**NILES CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
MAY 16, 2016  
REGULAR MEETING**

Supervisor Stover called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall, 320 Bell Road. Ringler 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 as submitted. Vella supported.  
All voting in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Special Guests:** Deputy Baggot presented the March 2016 police report. Brad Pasternak had comments on a speeding car in his neighborhood.

**Comments from the Public on Agenda Items:** Mr. Halle introduced himself from Medic I.

**Consent Agenda:**  
Cooper motioned to approve the consent agenda. Noble supported.

1. May 16, 2016 Expenditures and Transfers:

|                                 |              |              |             |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| General O & M                   | \$32,018.51  | Fire O & M   | \$28,594.94 |
| Sewer O & M                     | \$134,412.46 | Water O & M  | \$4,327.38  |
| Building Dept. Fund             | \$5,091.10   | Street Light | \$2,903.90  |
| Special Assessment              | \$1,560.00   |              |             |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL \$208,908.29</b> |              |              |             |
2. May 2, 2016 regular meeting minutes
3. April 2016 Building Report
4. April 2016 Fire Report
5. April 2016 Revenue/Expense Report
6. April 2016 Zoning/Chickens/Code Enforcement Reports
7. Certificates of Completion for Thomas Hall, Michael Ford, and Thomas Maxwell

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

**Correspondence/Announcements:** Lake Michigan College is proposing an increase of .250 mills. A letter from the State was received for AEP to increase rates.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**New Business:**  
**2016 Park and Cemetery Maintenance (action):** Eull motioned to accept the low bid of \$360.00 per mow from Upstream Landscape with proof of insurance. Ringler supported  
ROLL CALL AYES: Eull, Noble, Ringler, Vella, Stover, Cooper.  
NAYES: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The bids were as follows:

| BIDDER               | AMOUNT OF BID                   |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Norman Properties    | \$445.00 per mow per bid packet |
| Upstream Landscaping | \$360.00 per mow per bid packet |

2016 Manhole Adjustments (Action): Ringler motioned to accept the low bid of \$70,640.00 from Selge Construction. Cooper supported.

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

NAYES: None.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

The bids were as follows:

| BIDDER             | AMOUNT OF BID |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Selge Construction | \$70,640.00   |
| HRP Construction   | \$123,200.00  |

Fire Contract (Action): Ringler motioned to approve the contract with Milton Township rescinding previous approved contract. Eull supported the motion.

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

NAYES: None.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Painting of Hall and Grounds, Old Fire Station, and Garage (discussion): Options for all three buildings were discussed.

Comments from the Public: Brad Pasternak of 1519 LaSalle Avenue had questions regarding SMCAS and Mission Hills special assessment district. Brad inquired who is responsible for putting grass clippings in the drains at Bell Plaza on S. 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Brad, also, had questions on school elections. Mr. Halle, from Medic I advised the board about their services.

**Committee Reports:**

Cooper: advised the Planning Commission approved re-zoning request from the Senior Center to turn their acquired lot into a parking lot. The Planning Commission will hire a firm to do an environmental study on property on S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in the amount of \$1, 000.00 of which the applicant will pay.

Eull: None.

Hoese: Absent

Ringler: None.

Noble: advised he has been working on a standing water issue on 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Florence Avenue with the Berrien County Road Commission. Also, a children at play sign was requested by a resident. The Berrien County Road Commission will not place signs.

Vella: advised she is now the Treasurer on the SMCAS board. Vella advised this is EMT week. Vella, also, advised the Indiana Michigan River Valley Trail was featured in a trail magazine, of which, discussed the study done on the Alcoa property. Vella has been working with the ball leagues to come up with a contract. The league has advised of \$1,800.00 in repairs to the fields and another \$700.00 will be needed for more repairs.

**Supervisor's Report:** None.

Noble motioned to adjourn at 8:19 p.m. Vella supported the motion.

All voting in favor

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Terry E. Eull, Clerk

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James W. Stover, Supervisor