

**NILES CHARTER TOWNSHIP
JULY 6, 2015
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, Hoese, Noble, Ringler, Stover, Vella.

Agenda Approval: Ringler motioned to approve the agenda, Hoese supported.
All voting in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Special Guests: Louis Csokasy, Director of the Berrien County Road Commission, discussed Bond Street issues North of U.S. 12. Many residents of Bond Street were in attendance and there was much discussion.

Comments from the Public on Agenda Items: A neighbor of 2634 S. 13th Street commented on the condition of the property and expressed his opinion of proceeding with the demolition of the home.

Budget Amendment –Health Benefit Account: Ringler motioned to amend the health benefit account due to funds being depleted over five years through the end of the year and budget a full year dollar amount for 2016. Noble supported.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Consent Agenda:

Cooper motioned to approve the consent agenda, Hoese supported.

1. July 6, 2015 Expenditures and Transfers:

General O & M	\$58,206.15	Fire O & M	\$54,381.51
Sewer O & M	\$134,662.44	Water O & M	\$11,820.19
Building Fund	\$5,911.14	Street Lighting Fund	\$363.58
Fire Capital Improvement	\$2,707.63	Police Fund	\$213,999.00
Health Benefit Program	\$116.48	Greenmark Equip.	(\$64.93)
GRAND TOTAL	\$482,103.19		

2. June 15, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence/Announcements: Eull announced the Seventh Day Adventist Church will be doing door to door ministry June through August.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Re-Appointments to SMCAS: Cooper motioned to re-appoint Chris Vella, as representative and Jim Stover as an alternate to the SMCAS committee. Noble supported.

All voting in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Approve Hiring of Part-Time Employee for Seasonal Activities: Stover motioned to hire Klair Jilek as a part time employee to do sidewalk inventory in the township at a rate of \$10.00 per hour pending a driver's license and background check. Noble supported.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Approve to Move Forward with the Demolition of 2634 S. 13th Street: Cooper motioned to move forward with the demolition process of 2634 S. 13th Street. Eull supported.

All voting in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion for Financial Guaranty from Patriot Materials and Transport: Cooper motioned as follows:

WHEREAS, Patriot Materials and Transport, LLC was granted a special use permit for the removal and processing of topsoil, stone, rock, sand and gravel; and

WHEREAS, in a recent review it was found that a financial guaranty and/or bond was not submitted to Niles Township; and

WHEREAS, under Section 17.04(E) a financial guaranty of not less than \$10,000.00 per acre approved by the Township Board must be furnished to the Clerk to ensure rehabilitation and reclamation of a site in accordance with an approved plan and conditions of the special use permit; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board needs to approve a financial guaranty; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board believes that a surety bond is the appropriate guaranty needed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Patriot Materials and Transport LLC file a surety bond with the Township Clerk of no less than \$10,000.00 per acre for the benefit of Niles Township for the purposes of complying with the terms and conditions of the special use permit to be used in the event of site restoration pursuant to a reclamation plan. The funds are to be used, if necessary, for said reclamation and any related uses involving repair of infrastructure that relate to the reclamation plan. Noble supported.

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

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Comments from the Public: None.

Committee Reports:

Cooper: None.

Eull: None.

Hoese: None.

Ringler: None.

Noble: advised he has been working on a street light at Bend of the River Conservation Club on Mayflower Road. Also, he has been working on tree issues.

Vella: None.

Supervisor's Report: Advised the audit report has been filed with the State.

Noble motioned to adjourn at 8:52 p.m. Vella supported the motion.

All voting in favor

MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry E. Eull, Clerk

James W. Stover, Supervisor