

**NILES CHARTER TOWNSHIP
NOVEMBER 3, 2014
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 with the addition of item #6 to new business contract with Munetrix. Eull supported the motion.

All voting in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Berrien County Report: County Commissioner Curran was present and discussed the 5 year plan for Madeline Bertrand Park, the county budget, and a new animal control building.

Comments from the Public on Agenda Items: None.

Consent Agenda:

Ringler motioned to approve the consent agenda with the removal of check number 1619 from the expenditures and transfers. Cooper supported

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| 1. November 3, 2014 Expenditures and Transfers: | | | |
| General O & M | \$21,723.07 | Fire O & M | \$34,943.33 |
| Sewer O & M | \$15,302.51 | Water O & M | \$24,205.74 |
| Building Fund | \$100.00 | Police Fund | \$113.01 |
| River Valley Trail Fund | \$6,773.56 | Fire-Capital Improvement | \$953.72 |
| Health Benefit Program | \$10.97 | GRAND TOTAL | \$114,245.69 |
| 2. October 6, 2014 Closed Session Minutes. | | | |
| 3. October 20, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes | | | |
| 4. October 20, 2014 Closed Session Minutes | | | |

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

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence/Announcements: Michigan Gateway received another donation for Phase II of the trail project.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Resolution 14-15– PA116 for Nicklas Totzke: Vella motioned to adopt resolution 14-15 approving a PA 116 for Nicklas Totzke as recommended by Berrien County and the State of Michigan. Noble supported.

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

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Bids and Approval for Park Equipment: Vella advised the board of park equipment to be purchased as recommended by the Park Board. No action was taken.

Hire of Crossing Guard: Stover motioned to hire Nancy LaMore as a crossing guard sub. Vella supported.

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

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Engineering Services for New Well: Ringler motioned to contract with Merritt Engineering in the amount of \$15,900.00 for engineering services for a new municipal well, known as Well Number 9. Test Well Phase in the amount of \$5,900.00 and the Production Well Phase in the amount of \$10,000.00. Noble supported.

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

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Tree Removal: Ringler motioned to approve the removal of 3 trees in the amount of \$2,300.00. Vella supported.

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

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Contract with Munetrix for a Dashboard for Niles Charter Township: Vella motioned to contract with Munetrix to develop a dashboard with annual maintenance for Niles Charter Township for in the amount of \$2,974.00.

Cooper supported.

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

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Comments from the Public:

Brad Pasternak had questions on the State Line Road boundaries.

Committee Reports:

Cooper: advised that M-DOT will do a safety study of the Township.

Eull: None.

Hoese: asked for a new water cooler for 2015.

Ringler: None.

Noble: advised that he spoke with American Electric Power and the scheduled outage will not affect Precinct 1 on election-day.

Vella: advised that SMCAS is to hire a new auditor.

Supervisor's Report: advised the Board will have a work session with the Berrien County Road Commission on November 13, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. The board will have a workshop for the 2015 budget in November and hold a public hearing on December 6, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

Noble motioned to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Cooper supported the motion.

All voting in favor

MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry E. Eull, Clerk

James W. Stover, Supervisor