

**NILES CHARTER TOWNSHIP
SEPTEMBER 19, 2011
REGULAR MEETING**

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

Roll Call: Conover, Cooper, Durm-Hiatt, Kuehn, Kidwell, Noble, Ringler.

Agenda Approval: Ringler motioned to accept the agenda with the addition by Kidwell, to set a budget meeting, Conover supported.
All voting in favor

MOTION CARRIED.

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

Expenditures and Transfers 09-19-2011:

General O & M \$36,467.03	Water O & M \$51,273.89
Fire O & M \$25,457.77	Capital Improvement \$117.61
Sewer O & M \$37,444.69	Special Assessment \$3,443.94
Sewer City Charge \$70,734.89	TOTAL \$224,939.82

Minutes for September 6, 2011, regular meeting, September 12, 2011, special meeting, and the closed session minutes of September 12, 2011.

Set budget meeting.

ROLL CALL AYES: Noble, Ringler, Conover, Cooper, Durm-Hiatt, Kuehn, Kidwell.

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence/Announcements: Kidwell had thank-you note for the handicapped swing.

Supervisor Report:

Kidwell presented certificates for file: Tim Bunch, Andrew Hartman, Rich Low, Ryan Low, Jim Schoenthaler, and Michael Hollis.

Kidwell asked the board if anyone had received any information from Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone P.L.C. since our last meeting concerning the summary report. None of the board had heard anything.

Comments from the Public: A. Millin asked about the summary report and if we had paid the bill? Sgt. Campbell gave the police report. Sheriff Bailey gave an update of overcrowding at the county jail.

Unfinished Business:

Animal Control Ordinance: Members of the ad hoc committee to review the animal control ordinance, reported changes that had been worked out with Attorney Spiegel. Cooper suggested some additional changes; make the appeal committee either 3 or 5 member committee rather than 4. The consensus was to have the appeal committee consist of; Township Supervisor, a representative from law enforcement and three persons appointed by the Board. Cooper also suggested that the word *may* be replaced with *shall* in some of the sections of the ordinance. Kidwell motioned that the Animal Control Ordinance be considered, for the first reading, with the changes suggested by Cooper. Kuehn supported.

ROLL CALL AYES: Conover, Cooper, Durm-Hiatt, Kuehn, Noble, Kidwell

NAYES: Ringler.

MOTION CARRIED

Roof Replacement: Kuehn reported that the Building and Grounds Committee had met last week with Dunlap to review the options for the roof replacement. Dunlap suggested a few minor changes to the document he prepared earlier. Kuehn motioned for authorization to send out RFP (with the changes) for the township hall roof replacement. The sealed bids will be due October 3, 2011 at noon. Noble supported.

ROLL CALL AYES: Conover, Cooper, Durm-Hiatt, Kuehn, Noble, Ringler, Kidwell.

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

New Business:

New Volunteer Firefighter: Chief Brovold introduced Justin Lakes for Board consideration as a firefighter. Durm-Hiatt motioned to accept Justin Lakes, pending successful completion of a physical examination. Conover supported.

ROLL CALL AYES: Cooper, Durm-Hiatt, Kuehn, Noble, Ringler, Conover, Kidwell.

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Turnout Gear bids: Chief Brovold had presented two bids for 7 sets of turnout gear.

Apollo Fire equipment: \$1,575.00 per set.

Moses Fire Equipment: \$1,768.00 per set.

Brovold recommends Apollo's low bid at \$1,575.00 per set for a total of \$11,025.00. Cooper motioned to accept the Apollo bid, Noble supported.

ROLL CALL AYES: Durm-Hiatt, Kuehn, Noble, Ringler, Conover, Cooper, Kidwell.

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Set budget meeting: Following Board discussion on availability, Kidwell set October 10, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. for the budget meeting.

Comments from the Public: S. Daniel, asked about the RFP for Township attorney.

Committee Reports:

Conover: None.

Cooper: 11th Street Corridor will meet 9/20/11 at the city council chambers at 6:00 p.m.

Durm-Hiatt: reported that the Republican Primary will be February 28, 2012. Angie and she attended training and received the new E-Poll Book computers and scanners last week.

Kuehn: None.

Ringler: None.

Kidwel: None

Noble: reported on road, lights, signage, and blight.

Kuehn motioned to adjourn at 8:05 p.m., Conover supported the motion.

All voting in favor

MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Marge Durm-Hiatt, Clerk