

**NILES CHARTER TOWNSHIP
OCTOBER 19, 2015
REGULAR MEETING**

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

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

Agenda Approval: Ringler motioned to approve the agenda with removal of item 9.2, the first reading of the new zoning ordinance, removal of item 7.9 and moved to item 10.6, trick or treat hours, and add item 10.7 letter from Niles Community Schools. Hoese supported.
All voting in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Special Guests: Lieutenant Trent Babcock of the Berrien County Sheriff's Department presented the August 2015 police report.

Comments from the Public on Agenda Items: None.

Consent Agenda:

Cooper motioned to approve the consent agenda. Noble supported.

1. October 19, 2015 Expenditures and Transfers:

General O & M	\$19,517.18	Fire O & M	\$24,666.00
Sewer O & M	\$99,418.65	Water O & M	\$18,387.57
Building Fund	\$1,725.00	Street Light Fund	\$3,055.83
GRAND TOTAL	\$166,770.83		

2. October 5, 2015 regular meeting minutes
3. October 5, 2015 closed session minutes
4. September 2015 Building Report
5. September 2015 Fire Report
6. September 2015 Revenue/Expense Report
7. September 2015 Code Enforcement/Zoning Reports

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

NAYES: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence/Announcements: None.

Unfinished Business:

Tree Removal 1996 and 1998 Lewis Drive: Hoese motioned to accept the low bid to remove two trees at 1996 and 1998 Lewis Drive in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Kachur Tree Service. Noble supported the motion.

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

NAYS: Stover.

MOTION CARRIED.

The bids were as follows:

Bidder	Amount of Bid
Kachur Tree Service	\$1,000.00
Berrien County Road Commission	\$1,450.00

New Business:

Resolution 15-15 401 (a) Defined Contribution Plan: Eull motioned to adopt resolution 15-15, which is restating the non-ERISA Retirement Plan as required per the Internal Revenue Service. Noble supported.

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

NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Establish the Percentage that the Township will Contribute to a Special Assessment: The board held discussion on the Township contribution to a special assessment.

Agree to a Contract with Steve Gates for Assessing Work: Eull motioned, after discussion, to table the vote until the November 2, 2015 meeting. Noble supported.

All voting in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

EUJ Adjustments-Commercial Sewer Customers: Vella motioned to approve the EUJ adjustments for commercial sewer customers for 2016. Ringler supported.

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

NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Board Approval to Add Delinquencies to Winter Taxes: Ringler motioned to add all delinquencies to the winter taxes. Cooper supported.

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

NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Trick or Treat Hours for 2015: Stover motioned to set trick or treat hours for October 31, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Ringler supported.

All voting in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Letter from Niles Community Schools: Niles Community Schools are requesting to put a flyer in the winter tax bills about the school bond project. Ringler motion to allow the flyer be sent with the winter tax bills. Eull supported.

All voting in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Comments from the Public: Brad Pasternak had questions on the Berrien County Road Commission. Don of Bond Street inquired on building a larger building on his lots. He was referred to the Zoning Administrator.

Committee Reports:

Cooper: advised Peg Hartman will get new zoning ordinance on the web-site.

Eull: advised information needs to be out to board members more timely of which will require board action.

Hoese: None.

Ringler: None.

Noble: None.

Vella: update the board that Park Trail Phase II has scored well. She advised the Park Board has approximately \$14,000 left in budget and will be spending approximately \$10,000 in improvements and signs. Vella, also, advised that the SMCAS audit is complete and are in the red \$80,000.00. Also, SMCAS is being trained on armed and dangerous patients.

Supervisor's Report: Updated the board on the status of the SAW Grant.

Noble motioned to adjourn at 8:27 p.m. Hoese supported the motion.

All voting in favor

MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry E. Eull, Clerk

James W. Stover, Supervisor