



Milton Township

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**Unofficial Minutes for Milton Township Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
Milton Township Hall - 32097 Bertrand St., Niles, MI
Tuesday, November 17th, 2015 7:00 P.M.**

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm and the pledge was recited.

Members Present: Treasurer Susan Flowers, Clerk Steve Sante, Trustee Sweeney, and Supervisor Benjamin.

Members Absent: Trustee Renken

Community Reports:

Planning Commission Ex Officio Member

The PC recently completed its annual report which highlights everything accomplished over the past year. The PC is presently working with Williams & Works to get the new zoning ordinance completed. A subcommittee consisting of Eileen Glick, Kelly Sweeney, and Karen Shirk has been formed to accomplish this task.

The recent changes with the planning commission members is working well.

Robert Ziliak: Not Present

Other Committee chairs and visiting officials:

Benjamin reports that the Board of Review will be having its December meeting on the second Tuesday of the month.

Benjamin indicates the CCRC will not be moving forward with the multi-use path until an agreement for its maintenance is reached

Benjamin also indicates the board members need to check to make sure the street lights in their assigned areas are operational.

Anyone wishing to speak to the board: No Comment Made

Board Member Comments:

Benjamin asked that the board members and employees of the township follow the policies that are in place regarding building security given the current events.

Approval of Agenda:

Addition of Flu Shots

Approval of Previous Minutes

Closed session minutes dated 9/3/15

Motion: Benjamin made a motion to approve the minutes as amended

Second: Sweeney

Discussion: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Minutes for 10/20/2015

Motion: Sweeney made a motion to approve the minutes as presented

Second: Sante

Discussion: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Business with Attendees:

Benjamin had a sample resolution to adopt a millage for additional law enforcement. It was suggested that this proposal be on the March, August, or November ballot. The board was polled and November of 2016 was preferred.

Motion: Benjamin made a motion instructing the supervisor to create a resolution to adopt ballot millage language.

Second: Sweeney

Discussion: The sheriff spoke on the need to educate the public regarding the services that will be provided by this ballot proposal.

Motion Carried Unanimously

The Niles Township Fire Chief was in attendance. He indicated that the fire department has some smoke detectors available for those residents in need. It was also suggested that smoke detectors be replaced every ten years. Several questions from the board and public were entertained.

Benjamin indicates that the CCRC came out with a new policy for mailboxes in their right-of-way. Some are as follows:

No steal posts

Posts must be of 4X4 and not set in concrete

ZA Capstone Presentation

Eileen Glick made a presentation at the meeting about the Right to Farm Act. Some topics covered were:

How farmers are protected

How the act attempts to prevent conflict between municipalities and its residents

Questions from the public were entertained

Old Business:

Fire Services

Benjamin indicates the township is in the process of setting up a special assessment for fire services. The intent of the township is to impose 1.5 mills but only collect 1 mill at this time.

Rental Updates

Sante reports there has been no interest in the rental of the old township hall in the past thirty days.

New Business:

Sound Panels

Sante reports the sound panels were ordered and should be up within the next week.

Copy Machine

Sante reports the new machine is in use and the total cost was approximately \$852.00.

Grant Resolution

Sante presented a grant resolution to the board and read it aloud.

Motion: Sante made a motion adopting grant resolution 2015-20R.

Second: Benjamin

Discussion: None

Motion carried unanimously

Flu Shots

Motion: Benjamin made a motion to provide annual flu shots for elected officials, deputies, and township staff.

Second: Sweeney

Discussion: None

Motion carried unanimously

Financial Report:

Review of Township Budget

Motion: Benjamin made a motion to approve budget resolution 2015-21R to be as follows:

+\$5000	Building Permits	477
+\$1,150	Electrical Permits	477.1
+\$2,000	Electrical Labor	101-371-724
+\$4,000	Building Wages	101-371-724.2
+\$100	PC Legal	101-410-826
+50	ZA Mileage	101-410-861.2

Second: Flowers

Discussion: None

Motion carried unanimously

Financial Reports

Flowers reported collections of unpaid personal property taxes has reached approximately \$5,000 for years 2007 through 2014.

Approval of Checks

Motion: Sante made a motion to approve the checks as written with the addition of check 9724 in the amount of \$2,393.60 to Landmark Security Services

Second: Sweeney

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Flowers Y, Sante Y, Sweeney Y, Benjamin Y

Adjournment

Motion: Sweeney made a motion to adjourn at 8:16pm.

Second: Benjamin

Discussion: None

Motion carried unanimously

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