

# The Township of Norvell

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## **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2016, 6 P.M. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORVELL TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD IN THE NORVELL TOWNSHIP HALL, 106 E COMMERCIAL ST, NORVELL MI 49263**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Johnson, Clerk Hagadorn, Treasurer Sauers, and Trustee Johnson. Trustee Smith was absent. Jackson County Police Officer Jay Truchan was in attendance also. The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for all those residents of the Township who have passed away since the last board meeting.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Johnson moved, Sauers supported, to approve the minutes of the march 9, 2016 regular meeting. Ayes all, motion carried.

Trustee Johnson moved, Sauers supported, to approve the minutes of the March 30, 2016 Elections Committee meeting (Held to approve election inspectors for the May election.). Ayes all, motion carried.

Trustee Johnson moved, Sauers supported, to approve the minutes of the March 30, 2016 Special meeting (Held to discuss more hours for the police, the retirement plan, legal representation, and to approve the renewing of the assessor contract, the Leoni Sewer Rate Resolution and attending the ZBA training). Trustee Johnson stated that she and Supervisor Johnson met with our legal representation to discuss his lack of availability. He will make another attorney from his firm available to the township if he cannot meet with us. Ayes all, motion carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

County Commissioner Phil Duckham spoke about the boats and trailers to be bought by the Sheriff's department. The Under Sheriff wants to purchase a Red Alert system thru Homeland Security.

### **CONSENT AGENDA REPORTS**

All reports were accepted as presented.  
Officer Truchan gave the police report.

### **OTHER REPORTS**

Treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Sauers.  
Clerk's report was given by Clerk Hagadorn.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **1. Amendment to Jackson County Police Contract**

The amendment to the contract will increase our coverage hours from 24 to 40 per week. The first year the cost will be \$75,456; the second \$76,968; the third \$78,504 and the fourth \$80,076. Officer Truchan will still be our officer. Sauers moved, Trustee Johnson supported, to approve the amendment to the police contract. Roll call vote: Sauers, yes, Trustee Johnson, yes, Hagadorn, yes, Supervisor Johnson, yes. Ayes all, motion carried. The new hours will start May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Memorial Day Program – 10:00 – Monday, May 30, 2016**

The Napoleon High School Band, the Emil Jacobs Post and the Norvell Baptist Church choir perform at the Township Memorial Day program. Trustee Johnson moved, Hagadorn supported, to compensate them for performing in our Memorial program. (\$100 to each group) Roll call vote: Sauers, yes, Trustee Johnson, yes, Hagadorn, yes, Supervisor Johnson, yes. Ayes all, motion carried.

### **2. Set Budget Meeting Dates**

The first meeting will be May 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. and the second will be May 25<sup>th</sup> with the time being set at the first meeting.

### **3. Marijuana Grow Operation Moratorium Resolution 2016-05**

This was tabled for legal advice.

### **4. Vineyard Lake Sewer Rate Resolution 2016-06**

At the March 30<sup>th</sup> meeting Resolution 2016-04 was passed. This resolution states the way the money should be distributed. Sauers moved, Trustee Johnson supported, to adopt Resolution 2016-06. Roll call vote: Sauers, yes, Trustee Johnson, yes, Hagadorn, yes, Supervisor Johnson, yes. Ayes all, motion carried.

### **5. Brooklyn/Irish Hills Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Committee Appointment.**

Trustee Johnson moved, Hagadorn supported, to appoint Jeff Oswalt as the representative to the Economic Development Committee. Ayes all. Motion carried.

### **6. Compensation for the 4/28/16 MTA ZBA Training**

Trustee Johnson moved, Hagadorn supported, to adopt the per Diem policy as presented by Trustee Johnson and will be in effect until replaced by another policy. Roll call vote: Sauers, yes, Trustee Johnson, yes, Hagadorn, yes, Supervisor Johnson, yes. Ayes all, motion carried.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Discussed marijuana distribution and growing operations. The Trolz property and the DNR were commented on. Residents asked about having Officer Truchan full time.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Hagadorn moved, Trustee Johnson supported, to pay bills and payroll, (checks #'s 26269 through 26313 plus 3 additional bills) totaling \$34,128.61. EFTPS for Jan \$1877.37; Feb \$1914.54 and Mar \$1864.25 Roll call vote: Sauers, yes, Trustee Johnson, yes, Hagadorn, yes, Supervisor Johnson, yes. Ayes all, motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the board, Supervisor Johnson declared the meeting adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anne M. Hagadorn, Clerk