

# The Township of Norvell

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## WEDNESDAY, MAY 10th 2017, 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 Barnett, Treasurer Sauers, Trustee Johnson, and Trustee Dame. 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.

### ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

None

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Barnett motioned, Trustee Dame supported to approve the Agenda.  
All Ayes motion passed.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Johnson moved, Sauers supported, to approve the minutes of the April 19<sup>th</sup> 2017 regular meeting with the corrections of Hunting to Huntington and Reprot to Report.  
Ayes all, motion passed.

Trustee Johnson motioned to approve the minutes of the April 5<sup>th</sup> 2017 working session.  
Barnett supported

It was brought up that the board already approved these minutes.  
Trustee Johnson withdrew her motion.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Phil Duckham brought up the budget for the county and the mental health millage that was passed and where the money was going to go. Two construction workers talked about the property they were installing solar power panels on and the stop work order they received. Reps from a traveling baseball team talked about using Ahrens Park. They discussed how they would fix up the fields, and what they would be used for if the board went along with signing a contract with them. (A resident) **Mike Aronld** thanked the board for helping to get Arnold Rd on the beauty road list as a ~~park~~. The Supervisor brought up a sewer leak that had happened over the weekend **at Vineyard Lake**.

## **CONSENT AGENDA REPORTS**

- A. Building Report
- B. Zoning Report
- C. Fire Report
- D. Assessors Report
- E. Officer Truchan was on a call, and couldn't give the sheriff's Report
- F. Planning Commission Minutes (there was none)

## **OTHER REPORTS**

The financial report was given by Treasurer Sauers.

Clerk Barnett gave the clerk's report.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

### **-Renewal of regular fire contract with Cambridge Township**

The board did a 90 day extension. The Supervisor talked to them and there would be no increase in price. Trustee Dame brought up the letters that were handed out to each local fire department. He thought the letter should be handed out to every board member and not just to the fire department.

Trustee Dame motioned to ask for an extension from Cambridge and Napoleon to make sure **that the other neighboring township board members that Supervisor Johnson approached were informed about the proposed fire protection services.** ~~know what we are asking for~~  
No one supported, motion didn't pass

### **-Maintenance/Mowing contract bid decision**

The board looked over and compared the two bids that were received. It was brought up whether we could have both companies do the mowing.

Trustee Dame motioned to split the bids with Kirk Services getting The Township Hall, Cemetery and the Bridge and Sharric Lawn Care getting P2 at 300 Mill St and Ahrens Park to be mowed on a weekly basis depending on weather conditions, for a one year contract. Trustee Johnson supported

Roll Call vote Trustee Dame, Yes, Barnett, Yes, Trustee Johnson, Yes, Sauers, Yes, Supervisor, Yes

All Yes' Motion passed

### **-Two Ordinances**

Tabled until the next meeting on 5/17/17

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **-Land Division/Combination #17-04 Norvell Rd- Collins**

All the setbacks and road frontage have been met.

Sauers motioned to approve Land Division/Comb #17-04

Barnett Supported  
All Yes' motion passed

**-Consumers Energy Electric Franchise Renewal Anthony S. Parker**

Consumers Energy would like the Township to renew the electric franchise with them. They would like to stay our energy providers. The board needs to look and see how it has been done in the past since it was last done 30 years ago. This topic will need to be brought back up at next month's meeting

**PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT**

A Planning Commission member is upset that we have not approved the two ordinances yet. He voiced his concerns. We as a board explained that things like that will take time.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Trustee Johnson motioned, Barnett supported, to pay bills and payroll, (checks #'s 26970 through 27012) totaling \$31760.36. And EFTPS for April 2017 \$2842.23. Roll Call vote Trustee Dame, Yes, Barnett, Yes, Trustee Johnson, Yes, Sauers, Yes, Supervisor, Yes  
Motion passed

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the board, Trustee Johnson motioned, to adjourn. Ayes all, motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Andrea Barnett, Clerk