

MONTHLY MEETING
May 1, 2008

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Robinson at 7:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call: Jim Webber, Harlan Reichle, Pamela Radabaugh, Bill Robinson and Anna Grobe.

Minutes of April 3, 2008, approved.

Treasurer's Reports for the General Fund and Fire Fund were presented by Pamela Radabaugh. Motion by Jim Webber with a second by Harlan Reichle to accept the Fire Fund Report. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Harlan Reichle, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson, Anna Grobe.** There was an error in the General Fund Report and this report will be accepted when the correct report is given.

Additional Agenda items:

CPR Class scheduled for June 11, 2008 at 6:00pm, sign up with the Clerk if you are interested.

Marlene Wood-Zylstra reported that she is looking into getting businesses to join in the County Recycling program. She presented the Board with a resolution that the County has accepted. Motion by Anna Grobe with a second by Pam Radabaugh to sign the resolution. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Harlan Reichle, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson and Anna Grobe. Nays; None.** Mary Pitcher mentioned that Marlene is receiving an award from the State for her work as the County Recycling Program.

Jeff Morse introduced himself as a candidate for Benzie County Sheriff.

Correspondence:

INCOMING:

1. Update from the Platte Lake Improvement Association.
2. Letter from the National Park Service regarding their General Management Plan/Wilderness Study.
3. Newsletter from the Benzie Area Historical Society.
4. Contract for additional summer road patrols. Motion by Bill Robinson with a second by Harlan Reichle to accept the contract. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Harlan Reichle, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson and Anna Grobe. Nays; None.**
5. Letter from Benzie County Commissioners regarding the Headlee Rollback issue. At this time it does not appear that the County will be pursuing the County rollback. All millages will be voted on separately.
6. Newsletter from Citizens for Access to the Lakeshore.

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7. Letter stating appointment to the Planning Commission. Appointments as follows: Bob Blank-Chair; Sally Casey-Vice Chair; Ronnie Brown-Secretary.

OUTGOING:

1. Letter sent to the Benzie County Commissioners regarding the Headlee Rollback.
2. Letter sent to the Olsen Foundation, grant application for the purchase of two trash receptacles for the Township Park. Letter of thanks sent for their grant.
3. Letter to the Benzie County Road Commission accepting the cost for brining in the Township.
4. Letter of Thanks sent to Toby Tull for his time of service on the Township Planning Commission.
5. Survey to MTA regarding Web Site mapping.

New Business:

1. Ann Bourne gave a report on the status on the boat launch at the end of Lake Michigan Rd.
2. Opening of the sealed bids for the replacement of windows. Bids were opened and read to the public. Motion by Jim Webber to the following. "To postpone any decision on the bids for the replacement of windows until a common specification sheet can be given to the respondents of the original bid requests. The bids must be re-submitted to the Township no later than May 28, 2008 3:00pm. The Township Board will then discuss and make a decision at the June 5, 2008 regular monthly meeting" with a second by Harlan Reichle. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Harlan Reichle, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson, Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

County Updates: Mary Pitcher, County Commissioner- Grand Vision Workshop will be held at Crystal Mountain, May 28, 2008 6:30. Registration is available on line-thegrandvision.org. County audit is on file at the County and copies can be available.

Bob Blank, Benzie County Sheriff- Contracts for summer road patrols have been sent out. Motion by Bill Robinson with a second by Harlan Reichle to accept the contract. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Harlan Reichle, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson and Anna Grobe. Nays; none.** In addition to our contract, the Crystal Lake Watershed is also going to contract for summer road patrols. He is hopeful that John Brazaski will again be the deputy on patrol. Training of deputies is complete and they are getting ready for the summer season.

Committee Reports: Zoning Administrator- Nancy Simmons- Strong interest in land division. New construction is down at this time, but she does anticipate that it will increase as the weather gets better.

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Planning Commission- **Bob Blank-** There will be a meeting on May 14, at 6:30 to begin review on the Township Master Plan. There is also a meeting with Dick Figura on May 15 to review the changes of the MI Enabling act for Planning and Zoning. A letter was sent to the Chair of the ZBA about this meeting. MSU is also having training and Bob will contact the PC members about attending.

A motion was made by Bill Robinson with a second by Jim Webber to adopt a resolution to authorize the County Treasurer to add to a tax bill the monies spent by the Township for enforcement of a violation of the Junk Ordinance. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Harlan Reichle, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson, Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

Public input and general discussion: 3 minute time limit.

A big Thank you to Maryanne Goodman on the newsletter. She again did a great job!!

A Board member of the Citizens for Access to the Lakeshore commented on the thoughts of the group on the proposed General Management Plan from the National Park Service.

It was mentioned that the Sleeping Bear Dunes will be featured on a sheet of stamps this year. It will be available some time in October, with a ceremony at the Headquarters in Empire prior to the availability to the public.

The Township may be able to receive a refund for Township representatives that attend an MSU Planner workshop., from the Grand Traverse Regional Community Foundation.

Pam Radabaugh reported the correct figures on the General Fund Treasurer's Report. Motion by Bill Robinson with a second by Harlan Reichle to accept the corrected report. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Harlan Reichle, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson, Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

Payment of Township Accounts:

Motion by Pam Radabaugh with a second from Anna Grobe to approve check #3282 thru #3317 to pay the Township accounts in the amount of \$17,462.75. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Harlan Reichle, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson, & Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

Meeting adjourned: 7:50 pm

In Attendance: 17

Respectfully submitted

Anna Grobe

Clerk