

MONTHLY MEETING
October 2, 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 September 4, 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 Reports. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Harlan Reichle, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson, Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

Additional Agenda items: Brent Danielson candidate for 85th District Court Judge introduced himself.
Correspondence:

INCOMING:

1. Request for Metro Act Right of Way Permit Extension for AT&T. Current permit will expire on December 5, 2008. The extension would now expire on December 31, 2010. Signed copy was received on September 26, 2008.
2. Thank you letter from John R. Brakora, candidate for 85th District Court Judge for allowing him the time to introduce himself.
3. Notice of upcoming discussion on renewable energy future at NMC.
4. Email from Dave Neiger regarding the public informational meeting to provide input on recreation, historical & cultural services in Benzie County.

OUTGOING:

1. Letter to the Benzie County Road Commission regarding our position on the proposed County ORV ordinance.

New Business: 1. Marlene Zylstra-Benzie County Recycling Coordinator. There will be an increase to \$19.00 for recycling that will be on this winters tax bills. She will provide a notice to be inserted with the tax bills to explain the change. She will also put together an article that would be included in our annual newsletter that is sent out in the spring. Beginning January 1, 2009 #5 plastics will be accepted at all recycling sites. There are bags available at all sites for the recycling of plastic bags. There will be 4 pick ups scheduled for 2009, 2 will be hazardous waste, electronic, styrofoam and used tires. She is still working with local businesses to provide recycling services to them at a fair and equitable rate.

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New Business (cont): 2. The extended hours for the Clerk's office were announced. They were to be published in the Record Patriot but due to an error was not in the October 1, edition. The ad will run for the next 3 weeks in the Record Patriot.

3. Budget amendment- Motion by Pam Radabaugh with a second by Anna Grobe to transfer \$4,000.00 from Contingency 890 to Township Park 751. This will result in new totals for Contingency 890 of \$6,000.00 and Township Park of \$20,660.00. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Harlan Reichle, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson and Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

4. It was brought to our attention that a flag would be nice to have at the Township Park. Jim Webber and Bill Robinson will be researching the cost involved and Chuck and Carol Cable have offered to provide the flag. It will not be lit; instead we would have the first park attendant on duty raise the flag and then have it taken down at the end of the day.

Old Business: 1. The new windows have been installed.

County Updates: Mary Pitcher, County Commissioner-There is vacancy on the Airport Authority. Public hearings will be going on next week. There is also an opening on the Planning Commission although no applications have been received. There is a new director of Community Mental Health, Chip Johnson who is a resident of Lake Township. There will be a Grand Vision meeting on October 14 at 7:00pm at Benzie Central School; this is the time that public input will be taken. More information is available at www.thegrandvision.org. There was a question regarding the director of the planning commission. The current position is that the post will be eliminated October 31, 2008. If there is more public outcry, there is a possibility that may change.

Bob Blank, Benzie County Sheriff- Absent

Committee Reports: Planning Commission- **Bob Blank-**Absent. Dorothy Blank, recording secretary announced that there will be a meeting held on October 28 at 6:30 to discuss the Master Plan, fee schedule and the zoning ordinance.

Zoning Administrator- **Nancy Simmons-**Absent

Public input and general discussion: 3 minute time limit.

1. Bill Robinson attended a ceremony at the Sleeping Bear Dune Climb unveiling the new stamp sheet commemorating the area. Stamp sheets are available at the post offices.

Payment of Township Accounts:

Motion by Pam Radabaugh with a second from Harlan Reichle to approve check # 3499 thru check #3534 to pay the Township accounts in the amount of \$25,656.34. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Harlan Reichle, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson and Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

Meeting adjourned: 7:43 pm

In Attendance: 14

Respectfully submitted

Anna Grobe
Clerk

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