

MONTHLY MEETING
October 6, 2011

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call: Jim Webber, Mary Pitcher, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson, Anna Grobe.

Minutes: of September 1, 2011. Approved.

Treasurer's Reports: General Fund, Fire Fund and Park Fund were presented by Pam Radabaugh. Motion by Jim Webber with a second by Mary Pitcher to accept the reports. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Bill Robinson, Pam Radabaugh, Mary Pitcher and Jim Webber. Nays; none.**

Payment of Township Accounts: Motion to approve Checks #4820 thru #4863, for the purpose of paying Township accounts in the amount of \$33,360.57 made by Pam Radabaugh with a second by Jim Webber. This includes payment to the Benzie County Sheriff's Dept. for our contracted summer road patrols. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Bill Robinson, Jim Webber, Anna Grobe, Mary Pitcher and Pam Radabaugh. Nays; none.**

Additional Agenda items: Question was asked as to where the money from tickets issued by our summer road patrol deputy go? The money goes to the County gets the money and then distributes it.

Correspondence:

- INCOMING:**
1. Letter from Charter regarding fees that will be charged for late payments.
 2. Letter from Alan Zetterberg via email about the suggested changes to the road end at Point Betsie Lighthouse. Township has been contacted but our participation is not likely at this time.
 3. Newsletter from the Benzie Shores District Library.
 4. Newsletter from the League of Women Voters.

OUTGOING:

1. Schedule letters sent to Election Inspectors for the November 8, 2011 School Board Member Election. The morning shift will work from 6:30am until 1:30 pm and the afternoon shift will work from 1:30pm until the ballots have been tabulated. On the ballot: 1 position with 2 candidates and 1 write in from both the Benzie Central and Frankfort-Elberta School Districts.

2. An accounting was sent to the Benzie Shores District Library for the Millage request that was voted on August 2, 2011 Special Election. The total was \$1,842.95 with reimbursement already being received.

3. Letter from Nancy Simmons sent to William Bedford in response to a Letter from him.

New Business: 1. Clean up days have been set for 2012. Dates will be June 16 and August 25. Both are Saturday and the hours will be from 8am until noon or until both trucks are full. Notice has been posted on the website and will be in the newsletter as well.

2. Minutes of the Election Committee meeting mentioned.

3. Letter sent to Nancy Simmons from the Planning Commission regarding the "Accessory Structure Use with Living Quarters" ordinance. Letter was not helpful and more communications will need to be held between Nancy and the Planning Commission.

4. Authorize \$15,000.00 payment for Lyle Crist for the roof construction.

Motion by Bill Robinson with a second by Jim Webber. **Roll call vote: Anna Grobe, Jim Webber, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson and Mary Pitcher. Nays; none.**

5. Budget amendment. Motion by Pam Radabaugh with a second by Anna Grobe to transfer \$12,000.00 from Contingency to Building & Grounds. This will result in a new balance of \$0.00 in Contingency and a new balance of \$48,256.00 in Building & Grounds. It was asked why we are transferring the entire contingency fund at this time. It would eliminate continuing transfers for the length of the roof construction and we can always transfer any leftover funds back to contingency. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Jim Webber, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson and Mary Pitcher. Nays: none.**

Old Business: 1. None.

County updates: Roland Halliday, County Commissioner-Update on County Issues. Final budget has been adopted by the County. EMS calls were up 12% from last year. County is still working on an agreement for a new County Administrator with a 1year contract being offered. Interviews are being held for the Equalization Director. Township Assessors will be brought to meet the candidate. Boat launch is under way with complete ion expected in two weeks. Several entities are interested in the issues at Point Betsie. Plans have been offered for parking by the Friends of Point Betsie and restroom suggestions have been offered by the Parks and Rec. Committee. Funding for any projects is an issue. County continues to look at health plans for employees. Hazardous waste pickups have been scheduled for 2012.

Township Depts.: Nancy received a letter from the attorney for Jack Rogers answering an issue of landscaping that was raised.

Mary is still working on getting information to apply for grant money for new radios for the park attendants.

Public input and general discussion:

Meeting adjourned: 7:40pm

In Attendance: 10

Respectfully submitted,
Anna Grobe, Clerk