

MONTHLY MEETING
September 6, 2012

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

Minutes: of August 2, 2012 approved

Treasurer's Reports: General Fund, Fire Fund and Park Fund were presented by Pam Radabaugh.

Payment of Township Accounts: Pre-approved checks #5194(\$172.91) and # 5195 (\$25.54) and Fire Fund Checks #1169 (\$85.89) and #1170 (\$23.85) for payment of electric and natural gas bills were paid in August. Motion to approve Checks #5196 thru #5240 purpose of paying Township accounts in the amount of \$22,527.29. Fire Fund reimbursement to the General Fund in the amount of \$48.40. **Motion made by Pam Radabaugh with a second by Jim Webber to approve the Treasurer's reports and the payment of Township accounts. Roll call vote: Ayes; Bill Robinson, Pam Radabaugh, Mary Pitcher, Jim Webber and Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

Additional Agenda items:

Public Comment: Vance Bates introduced himself as a candidate for the County Commissioner position for District 2.

Guests: Gary Niemi from MDOT discussed the replacement of the bridge on M-22 and the Platte River which will be some time in 2014. It is anticipated that the work will take approximately 3 months and the hope is that the work will start sometime in late spring so that the work can be completed before the busy summer season. There will be another open house before the work begins.

Correspondence:

INCOMING:

1. FOIA request via email for information regarding credit/debit card payment by the Township.
2. Notice of public hearing on the State Revolving Fund/Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund.
3. Grand Vision update.

4. Posting for the position of County Recycling Coordinator.
5. Newsletter/update from the Lakes to Land Regional Initiative.

OUTGOING:

1. Letter sent in response of FOIA request.
2. Letter sent to Nancy Simmons accepting her resignation from the position of Zoning Administrator effective August 2, 2012
3. Letter sent to Tom Longanbach informing the Equalization Dept. at the County of the new Zoning Administrator.
4. Letter sent to Rory Heckman, Benzie County Sheriff commending the great job being done by our seasonal road patrol deputy.

New Business: 1.

Old Business: 1. None.

County updates: Roland Halliday gave a report on the County business. 3 applications have been received for the vacant Recycling Coordinator position. Interviews will be conducted sometime next week. The Standard & Poor rating for the County was recently submitted as AA- which is a good rating. A question was asked about the rating for the Country and it was not known.

Township Depts.: Zoning Administrator- Richard Krupp was introduced as the new Zoning Administrator. He has been busy with Land Use Permits which are up for the month of August.

Assessor-No report

Planning Commission- There will be a Public Hearing held on September 13, at 6:30pm to discuss the changes in the Zoning Ordinance. There will be some language changes, the lighting ordinance, and changes for accessory building usage will be discussed.

Public Comment: Report was given on the August clean up day. 84 loads were brought in. Many Thanks to all the volunteers that helped during this clean up. Rick Jones will be supervising the clean Up days from now on. The tentative date for next year for the first day is June 23.

Meeting adjourned: 7:29 pm

In Attendance: 14

Respectfully submitted,
Anna Grobe, Clerk