

MONTHLY MEETING  
November 7, 2013

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

**The Pledge of Allegiance** was given.

**Roll Call:** Sally Casey, Rick Jones, Maryanne Goodman, Bill Robinson and Anna Grobe.

**Minutes:** of October 3, 2013. Approved.

**Financial Reports:** General Fund and Fire Fund. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman with a second by Sally Casey to approve the reports. Roll call vote: Ayes; Bill Robinson, Anna Grobe, Sally Casey, Rick Jones and Maryanne Goodman. Nays; none.** Maryanne also mentioned that there would be a flier from the Recycling Program included with the winter tax bills. She also reported on the collection of PILT payments to date

**Payment of Township Accounts:** Motion to approve General Fund Checks #5706 thru #5743 for the purpose of paying Township accounts in the amount of \$21,923.24. (This includes the EFT payment for Federal withholding and FICA as well as a debit card payment for the payroll/bill paying program). Also Fire Fund Checks #1206 thru # 1207 for the purpose of paying bills in the amount of \$119.13. **Motion made by Maryanne Goodman with a second by Rick Jones to approve the payment of Township accounts. Roll call vote: Ayes; Rick Jones, Anna Grobe, Sally Casey, Maryanne Goodman and Bill Robinson. Nays; none.**

**Additional Agenda items:** One additional incoming correspondence.

**Public comment:** None

**Guests:** Sean Deuperron, Benzie County Parks and Rec. Matt McCauley, North West Michigan Council of Governments. They spoke about the Heritage Trail currently in place in Leelanau County and the proposal to extend it into Benzie County.

**Correspondence:**

**INCOMING:**

1. Letter from property owners residing in the Sutter Rd. area in response to the presentation from the Road Commission about the proposed millage request to be on the November 5 ballot.

2. Letter from Edward T. Butt, resident who lives in Michabou Shores regarding the road millage proposal
3. Newsletter from the Benzie County Council on Aging.

**OUTGOING:**

1. Letter to the editor from Bill Robinson regarding the road millage proposal.

**New Business:**

1. Minutes from the Election Committee meeting that was held on Monday, October 7, 2013. Anna commented on the turn out of the election and thanked all the workers.
2. Recommendation from the Planning Commission for a proposed Fireworks Ordinance. **Motion by Sally Casey with a second by Bill Robinson to adopt the ordinance as read, with the “as amended” removed. Roll call vote: Ayes; Sally Casey, Maryanne Goodman, Bill Robinson, Rick Jones and Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**
3. Resolution to apply for grant money to purchase safety glasses, gloves and emergency ponchos to be used by volunteers at the 2 clean up days. At this time no safety equipment is issued to volunteers. It was discussed to budget funds for the purchase of equipment. It was suggested by a Board member that we apply for a grant from the Michigan Township Participating Plan Risk Reduction Grant Program. **Motion by Anna Grobe with a second by Rick Jones to adopt the resolution and apply for the grant. . Roll call vote: Ayes; Bill Robinson, Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey, Rick Jones and Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

**Old Business:**

None.

**County updates:**

Vance Bates, County Commissioner-Gave an update on the County

**Township Depts.:**

Zoning Administrator- 39 Land Use Permits have been issued so far this year. Of that; 13 were for new houses.  
Planning Commission- Tentative date for next meeting is March of 2104  
Assessor- Field work has been completed. Currently working on new construction.

**Public input and general discussion:** A resident gave a breakdown of how the township votes in the November 5, 2013 Special Election.

Meeting adjourned: 8:20

In Attendance: 10

Anna Grobe, Clerk