

MONTHLY MEETING  
August 6, 2015

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

**The Pledge of Allegiance** was given.

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

**Minutes:** of July 2 2015. Approved

**Financial Reports:** General Fund and Fire Fund. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman with a second by Sally Casey to approve the reports as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; Bill Robinson, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman and Sally Casey. Nays; none.**

**Payment of Township Accounts:** Request for approval General Fund Checks #6364 thru #6399, for the purpose of paying Township accounts in the amount of \$28,020.20; (including and EFPTS) and Road Fund check # 1003 in the amount of \$812.67 for the first application of brine. Also Fire Fund Checks #1262 thru #1265 for the purpose of paying bills in the amount of \$36,415.45. This is for our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Quarter of fire protection and 1<sup>st</sup> responder's contracts and the Haz-Mat contract with Traverse City. **Motion made by Maryanne Goodman with a second by Sally Casey to approve the payment of Township accounts. Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Bill Robinson, Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey. Nays; none.**

**Additional Agenda items:**

**Public comment:** None

**Guests:** Charlie Packer, one time Township Supervisor.

**Correspondence:**

**INCOMING:**

1. Thank you letter from the Benzie Area Historical Society for our recent contribution.
2. Information from the NPS/DNR regarding bears in the area.
3. Thank you letter for our recent contribution and an announcement of an Open House at the Benzonia Public Library to be held on Sunday August 9, 2015 from 2-5.

**OUTGOING:**

**New Business:** 1. Resolution authorizing the Clerk to act on behalf of the Township to sign paperwork for Consumers Energy to remove a street light at Crystal Downs. **Motion by Sally Casey with a second by Maryanne Goodman to authorize the Clerk to sign paperwork for Consumers Energy for the removal of the street light by Crystal Downs Country Club. Roll call vote: Ayes; Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey, Bill Robinson and Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

2. Appointment of a new Trustee to fill the open vacancy by Rick Jones resignation. Nomination was opened by Bill Robinson. John Rothaarr was nominated by Bill Robinson with a second by Anna Grobe. No other nominations were offered. Motion by Bill Robinson to close the nominations with a second by Anna Grobe. **Motion by Bill Robinson with a second by Anna Grobe to appoint John Rothaarr to fill the open Trustee position that will end November 20, 2016. Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Bill Robinson, Sally Casey and Maryanne Goodman. Nays; none.**

3. Minutes from the Election Committee meeting held on July 3, 2015 for the Special Election held on August 4, 2015.

4. Resolution regarding fireworks and filming on township properties. Due to recent inquiries for private fireworks displays and for filming and print ads on Township property a resolution has been prepared to request a fee of \$100.00 payable prior to use being granted. **Motion by Sally Casey with a second by Maryanne Goodman to sign Resolution 2015-2. Roll call vote: Ayes; John Rothaarr, Sally Casey, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman and Bill Robinson.**

**Old Business:** 1. Fireworks fee permit (Tabled from July 2, 2015)

**County updates:** Vance Bates, County Commissioner- Update on the county.

**Township Depts.:** Planning Commission-No report  
Zoning Administrator-21 permits have been issued to date. About half of those Are for new homes.

Assessor- Board of Review was held in July to correct errors. 11 petitions were looked at: 2 principle resident exemptions, 2 combinations and 7 clerical errors. All went well.

**Public input and general discussion:** none.

Meeting adjourned: 7:50  
In Attendance: 10

Anna Grobe, Clerk