

MONTHLY MEETING
July 2, 2015

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

Minutes: of June 4, 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; Anna Grobe, Bill Robinson, Maryanne Goodman, Rick Jones (absent) and Sally Casey. Nays; none.**

Payment of Township Accounts: Request for approval General Fund Checks #6327 thru #6363, for the purpose of paying Township accounts in the amount of \$17,625.96; (including an EFPTS) and check # 711 (postage for tax bills). Also Fire Fund Checks #1260 thru #1261 for the purpose of paying bills in the amount of \$80.42. **Motion made by Maryanne Goodman with a second by Sally Casey to approve the payment of Township accounts. Roll call vote: Ayes; Bill Robinson, Rick Jones (absent), Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey and Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

Additional Agenda items: Move Vance Bates, County update to guests.

Public comment: None

Guests: Bill Kennis, Benzie Bus. Unable to attend but Chad Hollenbeck gave a report on the Benzie Bus system.

Amanda McLaren, Benzonia Public Library- gave an update on the library. Thanked the Township for our annual contribution. She will be sending the Clerk their by-monthly newsletter, as well as the count of the Township residents who use the facilities and their annual report/budget info following their meeting.

Pamela Radabaugh, Benzie Shores District Library- read a letter from Cathy Carter, Library Director.

Marlene Wood, Recycling Coordinator gave an update on the program.

Vance Bates, County Commissioner- gave an update on the County.

Correspondence:

INCOMING:

1. Letter of interest from Chuck Retallick, William Schnarr and John Rothhaar. for the Trustee position that will be vacated by Rick Jones. The term of the office will end with the November 2016 election.
2. Newsletter from the Mills Community House.
3. Letter from Charter with changes in programming.
4. Newsletter from the Benzie Shores District Library.
5. Signed agreement from the Benzonia Public Library.
6. Newsletter from the Benzie Area Historical Society.

OUTGOING: Letter sent to the City of Frankfort requesting reimbursement for the rent, and utilities for the Fire Building. Payment has been received.

New Business:

1. Fee schedule for fireworks permits. With the absence of Dick Krupp, this issue will be tabled until the August meeting.
2. Discussion/adoption of the new Freedom of Information Act requirements. Major changes have been made in the law which went into effect on July 1, 2015. Motion by Anna Grobe with a second by Maryanne Goodman to adopt the Policy, Procedure and Guidelines and all accompanying forms. Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Bill Robinson, Maryanne Goodman, Rick Jones (absent), and Sally Casey. Nays; none.

Old Business: 1. None

County updates: Vance Bates, County Commissioner- moved to guest.

Township Depts.: Planning Commission-No report
Zoning Administrator-No report
Assessor- Board of Review scheduled for July 21, 2015 at 1:00pm to correct mutual mistakes. Sales have been slow.

Public input and general discussion: Cleanup day went very well. Over 120 loads were brought in. Thank you to all the volunteers. Next clean-up day will be Saturday August 15 from 8-noon.

Meeting adjourned: 8:30
In Attendance: 11

Anna Grobe, Clerk