

MONTHLY MEETING

December 1, 2016

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

The Pledge of Allegiance recited by all.

Roll Call: Present: Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman, Bill Robinson and Dotty Blank

Minutes: of November 3, 2016 meeting. Approved as submitted.

Financial Reports: General Fund and Fire Fund presented by Maryanne Goodman. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman seconded by Sally Casey to approve the reports as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey, Dotty Blank and Bill Robinson. Nays; none.**

Budget Amendment: Maryanne Goodman presented budget amendments to the general fund revenues, general fund expenses, fire fund revenues and fire fund expenses. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by John Rothhaar to approve the amendments as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; Dotty Blank, Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Bill Robinson and Maryanne Goodman. Nays; none.**

Payment of Township Accounts:

Request for approval General Fund Checks #6864 thru #6902, for the purpose of paying Township accounts in the amount of \$17,627.01 (including an EFPTS). Also Fire Fund Checks #1303 thru #1304 for the purpose of paying bills in the amount of \$115.57. **Motion made by Maryanne Goodman seconded by Sally Casey to approve the payment of Township accounts. Roll call vote: Ayes; Dotty Blank, Bill Robinson, Sally Casey, John Rothhaar and Maryanne Goodman. Nays; none.**

Additional Agenda items: Anna Grobe asked to borrow three tables from the Township to use at the County for the upcoming presidential recount. She will fill out the necessary paperwork.

Guests: Chad Hollenbeck, Benzie Bus gave presentation of their 2016 annual report. Chuck Clarke gave presentation of the purposed Point Betsie road end plan, they will be requesting a \$300,000 grant from the Natural Resources trust grant fund in April, 2017.

Correspondence:

INCOMING:

1. Friends of Point Betsie Newsletter
2. Sleeping Bear Dunes News Release – Platte River Mouth Restoration.

OUTGOING: None

New Business:

1. Dorothy Blank sworn in as new Township Clerk on Monday, November 21, 2016 by Supervisor Robinson.
2. New signature cards needed for banks we have accounts with. The individuals who will have authorization to the accounts are: Maryanne Goodman, Dorothy Blank, Lilly M. McPherson and Nicole Send.
3. Request from Ted Greene to adopt a resolution opposing increased wind energy mandates. After discussion the Board tabled his request until additional information is received on the proposed legislation.
4. Maryanne Goodman presented the annual TBA tax collection agreement.

Old Business: None

County updates: Vance Bates, County Commissioner gave update on the Maples and handed out copies of the Benzie Council on Aging Executive Directors Report for October 2016 thru November 2016, New County fee schedule and County Budget Amendments.

Township Depts.: Planning Commission- Next meeting scheduled for January 12, 2017 agenda items will include update on medical marijuana legislation.
Zoning Administrator-36 land use permits have been issued so far this year and of those 15 are for new home construction.
Assessor-Has started measuring 55 new constructions. Our tax assessment ratio for residential class is 49.30

Public input and general discussion:

Meeting adjourned: 8:20pm
In Attendance: 15

Dotty Blank, Clerk