

MONTHLY MEETING

March 3, 2016

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

**The Pledge of Allegiance** was given.

**Roll Call:** Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman (excused), Bill Robinson and Anna Grobe

**Minutes:** of January 7, 2016. Approved

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

**Payment of Township Accounts:**

Request for approval General Fund Checks #6578 thru #6596, for the purpose of paying Township accounts in the amount of \$24,635.34 (including and EFPTS). Also Fire Fund Checks #1280 thru #1282 for the purpose of paying bills in the amount of \$368.69. **Motion made by Anna Grobe with a second by John Rothhaar to approve the payment of Township accounts. Roll call vote: Ayes; Bill Robinson, Sally Casey, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman (excused) and John Rothhaar. Nays; none.**

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

**Public comment:** None

**Guests:** Marlene Wood, Recycling Coordinator gave the annual report for the program. Many "Thanks" were offered for the wonderful job that she has done and well wishes offered for her upcoming retirement.

**Correspondence:**

**INCOMING:**

1. Newsletter from the Benzie Area Historical Society.
2. Notice from Charter Communications about changes in the channel line- up.
3. Email from the Benzie Conservation District on an upcoming Successful Tree & Shrub Planting.

**OUTGOING:**

4. Email on a meeting at the Garden Theatre in Frankfort on Broadband.
1. Schedule letters were sent to the Election Inspectors for the upcoming March 8, 2016 Presidential Primary.

**New Business:**

1. The Public Accuracy test was held on Wednesday February 24, 2016.
2. A Budget Workshop was held on Thursday February 25, 2016
3. Public Hearing on the Budget will be held on Thursday March 10 at 7:00pm.
4. Budget Adoption meeting will be held on Monday March 14 at 6:00pm.
5. There will be an increase in the use fee for the park for 2016. The fee is going to be \$5.00.
6. Re-appointment of Zoning Board of Appeals members. Motion by Bill Robinson with a second by Anna Grobe to reappoint:
  - a. Sally Casey, term to expire with term in office-Anna Grobe, Bill Robinson, Maryanne Goodman (excused) John Rothhaar & Sally Casey, abstain.
  - b. Jim Dodge, term to expire March 31, 2019-Maryann eGoodman (excused), Bill Robinson, John Rothhaar, Sally Casey, & Anna Grobe.
  - c. Tom Rumney, term to expire March 31, 2019- John Rothhaar, Sally Casey, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman (excused) & Bill Robinson.

**Old Business:**

None

**County updates:**

Vance Bates, gave an update on the County.

**Township Depts.:**

Planning Commission- Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday April 28, 2016 at 6:30pm.

Zoning Administrator- Things are starting slow for Land Use Permits.

Assessor- Board of Review dates have been set.

**Public input and general discussion:** The polls will be open from 7:00am until 8:00 pm. The Clerk stated that she will not be seeking another term. Anyone interested in any Board offices must have paperwork filed with the Clerk no later than 4:00pm on April 19, 2016. Paperwork is available from the Clerk.

Meeting adjourned: 7:47pm

In Attendance: 7

Anna Grobe, Clerk