

MONTHLY MEETING

May 5, 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, Bill Robinson and Anna Grobe

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

**Budget Amendment:** Motion by Maryanne Goodman with a second by John Rothhaar to amend the budget as follows: Transfer \$300.00 from Park Fund Contingency to Park Fund Capital Outlay. This will result in new totals of \$200.00 in Contingency and \$4,300.00 in Capital Outlay. This was needed due to the installation of the new well at the Park. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Bill Robinson, Sally Casey, Anna Grobe, John Rothhaar and Maryanne Goodman. Nays; none.**

**Financial Reports:** General Fund and Fire Fund presented by Maryanne Goodman. Due to the fiscal year end, a corrected Fire Fund report for April 2016 was submitted. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman with a second by Sally Casey to approve the reports as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; John Rothhaar, Bill Robinson, Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey and Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

**Payment of Township Accounts:**

Request for approval General Fund Checks #6630 thru #6667, for the purpose of paying Township accounts in the amount of \$28,657.26 (including and EFPTS). Also Fire Fund Checks #1285 thru #1287 for the purpose of paying bills in the amount of \$235.03. **Motion made by Anna Grobe with a second by Maryanne Goodman to approve the payment of Township accounts. Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Sally Casey, Maryanne Goodman, Bill Robinson and John Rothhaar. Nays; none.**

**Additional Agenda items:** Incoming correspondence.

**Public comment:** Newsletters have been mailed. **NEW PARK STICKERS ARE INCLUDED!!**

**Guests:** Mary Lee Orr- sent information on the Line 5 pipeline. Asked that the board adopt a resolution to support the repair of the line. Asking the board members it was decided to draft and send a letter to the Attorney General expressing our concerns. John Rothhaar will draft a letter.

Art Jeannot introduced himself as a candidate for the County Commissioner seat.

**Correspondence:**

**INCOMING:**

1. Newsletter from the Benzie Shores District Library.
2. Information from the Platte Lakes Improvements Association regarding the testing of Platte Lake for swimmers itch. They have paid Oakland University for the tests. The Board did budget to contribute to the study. There was some confusion as to who the contribution should be sent to. Because the Association already paid for the studies, they would like the Township to send them the money.
3. Email from Kama Ross, District Forester with contact information. Oak wilt is going to be a major problem.
4. Newsletter from the Benzie Area Historical Society and an invitation to an open house to be held on Wednesday May 11, from 5-7.
5. Information from the Planning Commission. They elected new officers, gave the schedule of meeting for the coming year. It was suggested that the Board look into going for a local Road Millage on the November ballot. Also, the Board will need to look into another moratorium on medical marijuana.
6. Contracts from the Frankfort Fire Dept. for protection and 1<sup>st</sup>. Responders. **Motion by Anna Grobe with a second by Maryanne Goodman to sign the contracts. Roll call vote: Ayes; Bill Robinson, Sally Casey, Anna Grobe, John Rothhaar and Maryanne Goodman. Nays; none.**
7. Contract for additional summer road patrols. Motion by Anna Grobe with a second by Sally Casey to approve the contract for a maximum of 320 hours for a total cost of \$14, 400.00. We have budgeted a total of \$14, 500.00 between the General and Park Funds. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Maryanne Goodman, Bill Robinson, John Rothhaar, Anna Grobe and Sally Casey. Nays; none.**
8. Email announcing the new Superintendent of the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore.
9. News letter from the Benzonia Library.
10. Approval for the Health Dept. for the new well that was put in at the Park.

**OUTGOING:**

**New Business:**

1. Resolution to apply for grant money from the Michigan Township Participating Plan Risk Reduction Grant Program for the purchase of a new radio for use at the Park. **Motion by Anna Grobe with a second by John Rothhaar. Roll call vote: Ayes; Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman, Anna Grobe and Bill Robinson. Nays; none.**

**Old Business:**

Road Brining, tabled from last month. Information was obtained on what is considered "passes". **Motion by Maryanne Goodman with a second by John Rothhaar to have 2 passes of brine on the designated roads. This is for one**

**application. Roll call vote; Ayes; John Rothhaar, Anna Grobe, Sally Casey, Bill Robinson and Maryanne Goodman. Nays; none.**

**County updates:** Vance Bates, gave an update on the County.

**Township Depts.:** Planning Commission- information under incoming correspondence.  
Zoning Administrator- 11 Land Use Permits have been issued.  
Assessor- Commented that oak wilt is a serious issue in Manistee County.

**Public input and general discussion:** Compliments were given to Maryanne for the great job on the newsletter again this year.

Meeting adjourned: 8:45pm  
In Attendance: 12

Anna Grobe, Clerk