

MONTHLY MEETING

January 4, 2024

Meeting: meeting called to order by Anna Grobe at 7:00 PM

The Pledge of Allegiance: recited by all.

Motion by Kyle Orr with a second by Maryanne Goodman to appoint Anna Grobe to serve as moderator for the meeting in light of the absence of Jeff Johnson.

Roll Call: Present: Sally Casey, Kyle Orr, Maryanne Goodman, Anna Grobe. Jeff Johnson ,absent,

Minutes: December 7, 2023, Township Board meeting approved with one spelling correction. Ayes; all. Nays; none.

Financial Reports: General Fund presented by Maryanne Goodman. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by Sally Casey to approve the general fund report as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; Kyle Orr, Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey and Anna Grobe. Jeff Johnson, absent. Nays; None.** Fire Fund presented by Maryanne Goodman. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman seconded by Kyle Orr to approve the fire fund report as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey and Kyle Orr. Jeff Johnson, absent Nays; None.**

Budget Amendment: None

Payment of Township Accounts:

Request for approval of General Fund checks #9496 through #9528 in the amount of \$28,653.44 for the purpose of paying Township accounts, this includes an EFPTS payment of \$1,368.72. **Motion by Sally Casey, seconded by Kyle Orr to approve the payment of township accounts as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey, Kyle Orr and Anna Grobe. Jeff Johnson, Absent Nays; None.**

Request for approval of Fire Fund checks #1536 through #1537 in the amount of \$350.11. **Motion by Kyle Orr, seconded by Sally Casey to approve the payment of Fire Fund checks as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Maryanne Goodman, Anna Grobe, Sally Casey, Kyle Orr. Jeff Johnson, absent. Nays; None.**

Additional Agenda items:

Under correspondence-incoming 4 new.

Under New Business- letter from Jeff Johnson

Announcements:

Public comment on Agenda: none.

Guests: Chris DeGood, Beckett & Raeder. Gave an update on the progress on the proposed improvements at the non- motorized boat launch at the Township Park. The pre-approval letter has been received from EGLE. He gave an updated contract for services that Beckett & Raeder will provide going forward. A vote to approve the contract is tabled until the February meeting.

Correspondence:

Incoming:

1. Pre-approval letter from EGLE for the upgrades to the park's non-motorized boat launch
2. Information received from MTA on increasing the Clerk's salary to compensate for the additional work involved with the 9 days early voting. See old business.
3. Newsletter from the Benzie Shores Senior Resources.
4. Letter from Jerry Slater resigning from the Board of Review. Accepted with regrets.
5. ParPlan newsletter
6. Benzonia Library newsletter
7. Benzie Shores District Library newsletter
8. Report from the Frankfort Fire Dept.

Outgoing:

1. none

New Business:

- A. Schedule date and time for Budget Workshop. Workshop will be held on Friday January 12 at 1pm. This workshop is open to the public.
- B. Letter of recommendation from Jeff Johnson to appoint Patrick Haran as an alternate on the Board of Review. **Motion by Anna Grobe with a second by Kyle Orr to make the appointment. Roll call vote: Ayes; Sally Casey, Maryanne Goodman, Kyle Orr and Anna Grobe. Jeff Johnson, absent. Nays; none**

Old Business:

- A. Upon receiving information from MTA regarding increasing the Clerk's salary for the additional work involved with early voting a motion was made by Maryanne Goodman with a second by Kyle Orr to rescind the previous resolution. Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey and Kyle Orr. Jeff Johnson, absent. Nays; none.

County Updates:

Commissioner Art Jeannot, District 2 submitted his written
Commissioner Karen Cunningham , District 3 submitted her written report. Spoke on some of the meetings that she has attended.

Township Departments:

Planning Commission: Next meeting will be held on January 11 at 6:30pm

Zoning Administrator: Written report.

Code Enforcement Officer: Written report

Assessor: Written report

Park Committee: covered under Chris DeGood presentation.

Supervisor- no report

Public Comment:

Meeting Adjourned: 8:14 pm.

8 in Attendance

Anna Grobe, Clerk