# MONTHLY MEETING February 1, 2024

**Meeting:** meeting called to order by Jeff Johnson at 7:01 PM

**The Pledge of Allegiance:** recited by all.

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

*Minutes:* January 4, 2024, Township Board meeting approved. Ayes; all. Nays; none.

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

#### **Budget Amendment:** None

#### Payment of Township Accounts:

Request for approval of General Fund checks #9529 through #9560 in the amount of \$19,230.51 for the purpose of paying Township accounts, this includes an EFPTS payment of \$1,588.17. Motion by Sally Casey, seconded by Maryanne Goodman to approve the payment of township accounts as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Maryanne Goodman, Anna Grobe. Jeff Johnson, Sally Casey. Kyle Orr, Absent Nays; None.

Request for approval of Fire Fund checks #1538 through #1541 in the amount of \$58,799.63. Motion by Anna Grobe, seconded by Maryanne Goodman to approve the payment of Fire Fund checks as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey and Jeff Johnson. Kyle Orr, absent. Nays; None.

#### Additional Agenda items:

Under correspondence-incoming 2 new.

#### Announcements:

- 1. The Public Accuracy Test will be held on Friday February 9 at 4:30.
- 2. The Budget Adoption Meeting will be held on Friday February 9 at 6:00
- 3. Reminder of Early Voting days and times. Election Day date and time.

**Public comment on Agenda:** Question for end of the meeting; Do we have enough staff for Early Voting and Election Day?

<u>Guests</u>: Chad Hollenbeck, Benzie Bus gave the annual report on the service. He also answered several questions.

## Correspondence:

## **Incoming:**

- 1. Signed agreement from the Friends of Point Betsie Lighthouse from July 2023.
- 2. Report from the Frankfort Fire Dept.
- 3. Request from AJ's Excavating for an updated Tax-Exempt Certificate.
- 4. Email from Sue Brown, President of the Crystal Lake Watershed Association, with concerns about the development of properties on Crystal Lake and the effects on the lake.
- 5. Benzonia Public Library newsletter.
- 6. Benzie Senior Resources newsletter.

### Outgoing:

1. Only AV applications and ballots.

# New Business: None

### Old Business:

A. Extension of the contract with Beckett & Raeder for the improvements at the non-motorized launch at the park. Motion by Maryanne Goodman with a second by Anna Grobe to approve the extension. Roll call vote: Jeff Johnson, Anna Grobe, Sally Casey and Maryanne Goodman. Kyle Orr, absent. Nays; none.

### County Updates:

Commissioner Karen Cunningham , District 3 submitted her written report. Spoke on some of the meetings that she has attended and answered questions.

Commissioner Art Jeannot, District 2 submitted his written and answered questions.

### **Township Departments:**

**Planning Commission:** Next meeting will be held on February 22, at 6:30pm

**Zoning Administrator**: Written report. **Code Enforcement Officer**: Written report

Assessor: Written report Park Committee: no report Supervisor- Written report

**<u>Public Comment:</u>** In answer to the question earlier; we will have plenty of inspectors for Early Voting and Election Day.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:24 pm.

8 in Attendance

Anna Grobe, Clerk