

LAKE TOWNSHIP
Monthly Meeting Minutes - Amended

July 3, 2025

Meeting: Called to order by Mary Pitcher at 7:00PM.

Pledge of Allegiance: recited by all.

Roll Call: Present: Trustee Anna Grobe, Trustee Kyle Orr, Supervisor Mary Pitcher, Treasurer Maryanne Goodman, and Clerk Penny Georgevich.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda by Goodman/Grobe: Ayes: All: Grobe, Orr, Goodman, Pitcher, Georgevich; Motion carried.

Board Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve minutes from Board Meeting, June 5, 2025 as presented by Goodman/Orr; Ayes: All; Motion carried.

Financial Reports:

General Fund presented by Maryanne Goodman. Motion by Goodman to approve the General Fund report as read; supported by Grobe. Roll Call - Ayes: Orr, Goodman, Pitcher, Grobe, Georgevich; Motion carried.

Fire Fund presented by Maryanne Goodman. Motion by Goodman to approve the Fire Fund report as read; supported by Georgevich; Roll Call - Ayes: Pitcher, Goodman, Orr, Grobe, Georgevich, Goodman; Motion carried.

Budget Amendments presented by Maryanne Goodman. Motion to approve Budget Amendments as presented by Georgevich; Supported by Orr; Roll Call - Ayes: Pitcher, Goodman, Orr, Grobe, Georgevich; Motion carried.

Payment of Township Accounts: Motion by Anna Grobe to approve checks #10223 through #10266 in the amount \$52,278.28 for the purpose of paying Township accounts, this includes VOIDED check #10232 and EFPTS payments of \$1,894.37. Supported by Kyle Orr; Roll Call – Ayes: Grobe, Orr, Goodman, Pitcher, Georgevich; Motion carried.

Motion by Kyle Orr to approve Fire Fund two (2) EFPTS payments in the amount of \$255.61. Supported by Goodman; Roll Call – Ayes: Orr, Goodman, Georgevich, Grobe, Pitcher. Motion carried.

No Public comment on agenda

Guests:

- Chris DeGood, Beckett & Raeder – presented the final update on the completion of the Township Park Boat Landing.

Community Updates:

- Commissioner Jeannot, District 2 – written report submitted.
- Commissioner Trigg, District 3 – written report submitted and highlighted.
- Fire Chief, Mike Cederholm – Fire/EMS report - written report submitted.

Zoning Administrator: written report submitted.

New Business:

- A. New Computer to remove server from use. Motion by Penny Georgevich to accept proposal to have Anavon provide a new computer to separate computer use from server. Supported by Maryanne Goodman; Roll Call – Ayes: Orr, Pitcher, Goodman, Grobe, Georgevich. Motion carried.
- B. Policies:
 - a. Accident/Injury Policy – Motion by Maryanne Goodman, supported by Kyle Orr to adopt the Lake Township Accident/Injury Policy as presented. Roll Call – Ayes: Georgevich, Pitcher, Orr, Goodman, Grobe. Motion carried.
 - b. Cash Receiving Policy – Motion by Maryanne Goodman, supported by Penny Georgevich to adopt Lake Township Cash Receiving Policy as presented; Roll Call – Ayes: Grobe, Orr, Pitcher, Georgevich, Goodman.
 - c. Email Policy – Motion by Penny Georgevich, supported by Anna Grobe to adopt Lake Township Email Policy as presented; Roll Call – Ayes: Goodman, Orr, Pitcher, Grobe, Georgevich. Motion carried
 - d. Ethics Policy – Motion by Mary Pitcher, supported by Goodman to adopt Lake Township Ethics Policy as presented; Roll Call – Ayes: Orr, Grobe, Goodman Pitcher Georgevich. Motion carried.
 - e. Park Cash Handling Policy – Motion by Maryanne Goodman, supported by Georgevich to adopt Lake Township Park Cash Handling Policy as presented; Roll Call – Ayes: Grobe, Pitcher, Georgevich, Orr, Goodman. Motion carried.
- C. Beckett & Raeder Contractor Pay application – Motion to cut check to Beckett & Raeder for \$101,444.00 and pay right away by Penny Georgevich; supported by Kyle Orr; Roll Call – Ayes: Goodman, Orr, Georgevich, Pitcher, Grobe. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- A. Fire Millage and Ballot Language – Motion by Maryanne Goodman to approve Resolution and the Ballot Language to be put on the ballot in November for the Fire and Emergency Services millage. Supported by Kyle Orr; Roll Call – Ayes: Grobe, Georgevich, Orr, Goodman, Pitcher. Motion carried.
- B. Update provided on progress on website.
- C. Electric Box at Township Park – Motion by Maryanne Goodman to accept the quote from Glen Lake Electric and have the work completed. Supported by Anna Grobe; Roll Call – Ayes: Georgevich, Grobe, Orr, Goodman, Pitcher. Motion carried.

Township Depts.:

- a) Planning Commission: Reviewed 1st draft version of the new zoning. Hope to agree on draft at July meeting and have a public meeting in August for feedback. Once draft is approved it will be posted on website. Next Meeting July 17, 6:30pm.
- b) Code Enforcement Officer: Written report submitted. Suggestion to have Ordinance and Sign with Township Park rules.
- c) Assessor: Written report submitted.
- d) Park Committee: Improvements look nice.
- e) Supervisor report: Written report submitted. Highlights - New park attendant hired. Crystal Lake level issues.
- f) Clean Up Day: Great job by Anna Grobe and all clean-up day helpers! Good turnout from residents. Northern Disposal was very easy to work with.

Correspondence:

A. INCOMING:

1. Benzie Conservation District – Platte River Clean Sweep (7/12)
2. Michigan Department of Treasury spreading word on Michigan Education Trust (MET) and Michigan Education Savings Programs (MESP).
3. Platte River State Fish Hatchery – Lake and Tributary Results
4. Benzonia Public Library newsletter
5. Darcy Library newsletter
6. Email from Jim McMillan re: speed sign and/or reduced speed limit on M-22.

B. OUTGOING:

1. None

Announcements:

- Next Clean-up Day is August 16th. Volunteers contact Anna Grobe. Motion to provide funds to feed the workers for Clean-up day on June 21st by Penny Georgevich; supported by Mary Pitcher; Roll Call – Orr, Grobe, Goodman, Pitcher, Georgevich.
- **FOST** (First on Scene training) is Thursday, July 17th, 4:00pm.

General Board Discussion:

- A. Reminder that we need a plan for Emergency Management.
- B. Point Betsie support suggestion.
- C. Season park passes sold to STR owners for renters.
- D. Clerk to attend Bureau of Elections conference September 2-3.

Public Comment:

Curt Coin – presented Baatz Resort issues and communications. Would like to have it put on record. Lawful non-conforming use.

Jim Drubert – concerns about Lake St. in Baatz Resort.

Cindy Wolfe - harassment from neighbors of Baatz Resort.

Madeline Bitzan-Powell – against Speed radar trailer purchase by township.

Sherry Darlington – Head count of people attending for Baatz Resort – 14.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Grobe; supported by Goodman, Orr, Georgevich; Ayes: All.
Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 8:22 PM

Public In Attendance: 11

Respectfully submitted,
Penny Georgevich, Clerk