

LAKE TOWNSHIP
Monthly Meeting Minutes – **AMENDED 3/5/2026**



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February 5, 2026

7:00PM Meeting called to order by Mary Pitcher. **Pledge of Allegiance** recited by all.

Present: Trustee Joel Quine, Trustee Kyle Orr, Supervisor Mary Pitcher, Treasurer Maryanne Goodman and Clerk Penny Georgevich.

Motion to approve agenda as presented by Orr, supported by Georgevich; Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Minutes from Board Meeting January 2, 2026 as presented by Quine, supported by Orr; Ayes: All. Motion carried. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Minutes from Special Meeting – Budget Workshop January 26, 2026 as presented by Quine, supported by Goodman; Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Financial Reports:

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

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

Budget Amendments for General Fund were presented. Motion to approve General Fund Amendments by Goodman; supported by Orr; Roll Call – Ayes: Pitcher, Georgevich, Orr, Goodman, Quine. Motion carried

Budget Amendments for Fire Fund were presented. Motion to approve Fire Fund Amendments by Goodman; supported by Georgevich; Roll Call – Ayes: Georgevich, Quine, Orr, Pitcher, Goodman. Motion carried

Clerk’s Report – Gen Fund – Motion by Georgevich to approve the payment of township accounts in the amount of \$32,825.22; supported by Orr; Roll Call – Ayes: Quine, Goodman, Pitcher, Orr, Georgevich; Motion carried.

Fire Fund – Motion by Georgevich to approve payments in the amount of \$71,653.85; supported by Goodman; Roll Call – Ayes: Pitcher, Quine, Goodman, Georgevich, Orr; Motion carried.

No Public comment on agenda items.

Guests: Christy Trigg, Darcy Library – Christy provided information on the many events at the library, as well as information on “Libby”, Digital Library Access. All of these services are available to Lake Township residents.

Committees:

- a) Park Committee: report delivered.

- b) Planning Commission: report delivered.
- c) Website Committee: new website design was shown and discussed.

Staff:

- a) Assessor:
- b) Code Enforcement Officer & Maintenance: Written report submitted and highlighted.
- c) Supervisor's report: report submitted and highlighted. Jackie Randall appointed to serve on ZBA, motion by Pitcher, supported by Orr; Ayes – All. Motion carried.
- d) Zoning Administrator report: Written report submitted and highlighted.
- e) Fire Report: Written report submitted and highlighted. Ice water rescue practice Saturday, February 7, 2026.

County Updates:

- Commissioner Jeannot, District 2 – written report submitted
- Commissioner Trigg, District 3 – written report submitted and highlighted.

New Business:

- A. New Frankfort and EMS Agreement was discussed. Agreement will be considered at the March 2026 Board of Trustees regular meeting.
- B. Principles of Governance – Motion to adopt Principles of Governance for Lake Township as presented by Georgevich, supported by Quine; Ayes – Orr, Goodman, Quine, Pitcher, Georgevich.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Agreements for Community aid and support:
 - i. Motion by Pitcher to enter into a contract with the Benzie Area Historical Museum paying \$1,500 for services rendered, supported by Orr; Roll Call – Ayes: Quine, Georgevich, Goodman, Pitcher, Orr; Motion carried.
 - ii. Motion by Pitcher to enter into contract for services with the Benzonia Public Library for \$1,500 **this agreement shall become effective on the 6th day of June, 2025, for a period of one year**, supported by Goodman; Roll Call – Ayes: Georgevich, Orr, Goodman, Quine, Pitcher; Motion carried.
 - iii. Motion by Pitcher to enter into contract for services with Darcy Library of Beulah \$1,500 to the Benzonia Public Library **this agreement shall become effective on the 6th day of June, 2025, for a period of one year**, supported by Orr; Roll Call – Ayes: Goodman, Quine, Orr, Georgevich, Pitcher; Motion carried.

Correspondence reviewed.

Announcements and General Board Discussion – Riverside Canoes has committed to donating \$1,000 to the Township Park and matches up to \$1,000 in donations. For 2025, Riverside gave a check for \$2,000. May 5 will be a Special Election for the Frankfort/Elberta Schools. Cleanup dates proposed are June 13 and August 8.

Public Comment: C. Trigg, pointed out that contributions/aid was previously in a motion.

8:21PM **Motion to adjourn** meeting by Orr; supported by Goodman; Ayes: All; Motion carried.

Penny Georgevich, Clerk

Public In Attendance: 10