

LAKE TOWNSHIP
Monthly Meeting Minutes

June 4, 2026



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

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

Motion by Quine to approve agenda, supported by Orr; Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Motion by Orr to approve **Board Meeting Minutes from May 7, 2026** as presented, 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 financial report for the month of May 2026 as read; supported by Georgevich. Roll Call - Ayes: Orr, Pitcher, Goodman, Quine, Georgevich. Motion carried.

Fire Fund presented by Maryanne Goodman. Motion by Goodman to approve the Fire Fund financial report for the month of May 2026 as read; supported by Orr; Roll Call - Ayes: Quine, Georgevich, Pitcher, Orr, Goodman. Motion carried.

Clerk's Report – General Fund – Motion by Georgevich to approve from the General Fund \$64,761.33 for the payments of township accounts; supported by Orr; Roll Call – Ayes: Orr, Pitcher, Quine, Georgevich, Goodman; Motion carried.

Fire Fund – Motion by Georgevich to approve from the Fire Fund \$362.15 for the payment of utilities; supported by Quine; Roll Call – Ayes: Goodman, Orr, Georgevich, Pitcher, Quine; Motion carried.

Public comment: none

Guests: none

Committees:

- a) Park Committee: Committee met at park to review park condition and kiosk options.
- b) Planning Commission: still meeting monthly. Next meeting June 18 at 3:00pm.
- c) Website Committee: On track to be online by July.

Staff:

- a) Assessor: written report
- b) Code Enforcement Officer & Maintenance: Written report submitted and highlighted.
- c) Supervisor's report: report submitted and highlighted. Radar speed signs to start on Crystal Drive and Deadstream Road.
- d) Zoning Administrator report: Written report submitted and highlighted.

Fire Report: Written report submitted and highlighted. Training of 130 staff members at the Maples, coming back to do education on Slips, Trips and Falls.

County Updates:

- Commissioner Jeannot, District 2 – written report submitted.
- Commissioner Trigg, District 3 – written report submitted and highlighted. Provided information on impact of tax rollback on County Operational budget and operation cost increases. County Operational millage will be on August ballot. Presentation on June 16, 7pm, at Mills Community House, information talk about upcoming millage proposal that will be on August ballot.

New Business:

- A. Pitney Bowes advance payment for postage refill plus lease agreement – Motion by Goodman, to authorize Clerk or Supervisor to enter into an agreement for renewal of the Pitney Bowes contract for five years for the postage machine as presented and also approve the clerk putting \$1,000 in reserve account for postage and also authorization to do mid-month payment if it is deemed necessary for mailings, supported by Orr; Roll call – Ayes: Orr, Quine, Pitcher, Goodman, Georgevich. Motion carried.
- B. Township Roads – discussion of road maintenance responsibility. Supervisor will invite Troy Hinds from Road Commission to July or August meeting to talk with board about road costs and explain the process of requesting road work.
- C. Fire and EMS Agreement – Motion by Georgevich to accept the change of the verbiage in Section 7. Annual Billings in the Frankfort Area Fire and Emergency Services Agreement from April, July, October and January to May, August, November and February; supported by Quine; Ayes – all; Motion carried.
- D. Ironman Route – Motion by Goodman to approve the Ironman Route through our township and authorize the Supervisor to go forward with the road closure permit; supported by Quine; Ayes – All. Motion carried.
- E. Compensation for non-statutory duties – motion by Goodman to adopt Policy 2026-06-01 Compensation for Non-Statutory Duties by Board Members as presented; supported by Orr; Ayes – All; Motion carried.
- F. County Operating Millage that will be on August ballot. Clerk will look into alternate plans in case needed.
- G. Agreements for aid/contributions to other Governments for 2026:
 - i. Motion by Orr to enter into agreement with Darcy Library to pay \$3,000 for 2026 patron services; supported by Georgevich; Roll Call – Ayes: Goodman, Pitcher, Quine, Georgevich, Orr. Motion carried
 - ii. Motion by Orr to enter into agreement with Benzonia Public Library to pay \$3,000 for 2026 patron services; supported by Quine; Roll Call – Ayes: Pitcher, Orr, Georgevich, Goodman, Quine. Motion carried.
 - iii. Motion by Pitcher to enter into agreement with the Benzie Historical Museum to pay \$2,000 for the year 2026 services; supported by Georgevich; Roll Call – Ayes: Quine, Goodman, Orr, Georgevich, Pitcher. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: none

Correspondence reviewed.

Announcements and General Board Discussion –

Reminder of Clean up day on Saturday, June 13 and thank you to all the volunteers to help with the event;
Motion by Orr that a flyer provided by township, if not provided by the county, be included with tax bills with information on the Benzie County Operating millage that will be on the August ballot; supported by Quine – Roll Call – Ayes: Pitcher, Georgevich, Quine, Orr, Goodman. Motion carried.

Township Shred Day on June 19, 10:00am-1:00pm.

Public Comment: M. Janeczko – should include additional compensation for going above and beyond for the Planning Commission. D. DeGood – Be diligent and strong with compensation for non-statutory duties and board approval. J. Manilla – Library donations, do we know what the libraries need; M. Bitzen-Powell, inquiry about millage on August ballot for Benzonia Library for Benzonia Township residents.

Motion by Georgevich to approve compensation for Mary Pitcher doing minutes for Planning Commission and ZBA, filling in for the recording secretary; supported by Orr; Roll Call – Ayes: Quine, Goodman, Georgevich, Orr; Abstain: Pitcher. Motion carried.

8:37PM **Motion to adjourn** meeting by Orr; supported by Goodman; Ayes: All; Motion carried.

Penny Georgevich, Clerk

Public in Attendance: 8