

MONTHLY MEETING  
December 6, 2018

**Meeting:** called to order at 7:00 PM.

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

**Roll Call:** Present: Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman, Anna Grobe and Dotty Blank.

**Minutes:** November 1, 2018 Township Meeting, October 10, 2018 Special Meeting and October 10, 2018 Election Meeting minutes approved as submitted.

**Financial Reports:** General Fund presented by Maryanne Goodman. **Motion by John Rothhaar, seconded by Maryanne Goodman to approve the general fund report as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman, Anna Grobe, Dotty Blank, and Sally Casey. Nays; None.**

Fire Fund presented by Maryanne Goodman. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by Sally Casey to approve the fire fund report as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; Maryanne Goodman, Anna Grobe, Dotty Blank, Sally Casey and John Rothhaar. Nays; None.**

**Budget Amendment:** Budget amendments presented by Maryanne Goodman. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by John Rothhaar to approve the budget amendments as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Dotty Blank, Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman and Anna Grobe. Nays; None.**

**Payment of Township Accounts:** Request for approval of General Fund Checks #7599 through #7635 in the amount of \$23,609.41 for the purpose of paying Township accounts, also EFPTS payment of \$1,764.23 and Fire Fund Checks #1367 and #1368 in the amount of \$167.83. Also money market check #732 in the amount of \$782.72, postage for winter tax bills. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by Sally Casey to approve the payment of township accounts as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Dotty Blank, Sally Casey, John Rothhaar and Maryanne Goodman. Nays; None.**

**Additional Agenda items:** Point Betsie Rd. under new business.

**Public comment:** Treasurer Goodman informed those in attendance of the printing error on the Frankfort tax bills, County has reprinted bills and mailed at their cost.

**Guests:**

Correspondence:

Incoming:

1. Telephone call from Consumers Energy, there will be tree trimming and removal of trees in Crystal Downs and surrounding area.
2. Notes from the 11/13/2018 Road Commission meeting.
3. Letter from DNR on changes to ORV use on state forest roads.
4. Letter of resignation from Tom Rumney, Chairman of Zoning Board of Appeals effective 12/31/2018. **Motion by Anna Grobe, seconded by Maryanne Goodman to accept the letter with regrets. Motion carried, Ayes; All.**
5. Newsletters from Benzie Senior Resources, Benzie Area Historical Society, Friends of Darcy Library and Point Betsie Lighthouse.
6. Email from Catherine Mullhaupt, MTA, explaining the difference between the opt-out resolution for medical marijuana and required zoning ordinance to opt-out of recreational marijuana establishments.

Outgoing:

1. Resolution in opposition to SB 396 sent to MTA, Rep. VanderWall and Sen. Booher.

New Business:

1. 2019 paving projects, after discussion the Board recommended the following list of roads be sent to the Road Commission for paving estimates: Highland Dr., Orchard Lane, Deer Ridge Trail, White Birch Trail and Old State Rd. Also, Supervisor Grobe will talk with Matt Skeels, BCRC at the next Supervisors meeting to request they move Point Betsie Rd. improvement to the 2019 project list.
2. Consumers Energy street light contracts. **Motion by Anna Grobe, seconded by Dotty Blank to sign the resolution to change street lighting service by removal of existing light and sign two year contract. Roll call vote: Ayes: Dotty Blank, Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman and Anna Grobe. Nays; None.**  
**Motion by Anna Grobe, seconded by John Rothhaar to sign the resolution to change street lighting service by replacing existing light and sign a two year contract. Roll call vote: Ayes, Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman, Anna Grobe and Dotty Blank. Nays; None.**
3. Ordinance for recreational marijuana establishments. The Board decided that the ordinance be sent to the Planning Commission for their input.
4. Electrical upgrades in meeting room/kitchen/bathrooms and outdoor lighting. Board authorized Supervisor to contact local electricians for bids.
5. Appointment of Board of Review members. **Motion by Anna Grobe, seconded by Maryanne Goodman to appoint Tom Harrett, Jim Dodge, Nancy Simmons and alternate, Chuck Retallick to the Board of Review for a two year term ending 1/1/2021 at noon. Roll call vote: Ayes, Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman, Anna Grobe and Dotty Blank. Nays; None.**

6. Point Betsie Rd. - Chuck Clarke explained that DEQ will not give the permits required for the road end project even though they received a grant from Michigan DNR. They appealed that decision but were denied. So at this point they are requesting an extension of the grant while a new plan is designed.

**Old Business:**

1. Bids for drain improvement in parking lot. Two bids were received, one from AJ's excavating the other from CSB Industries. The Board compared bids, CSB could start project now, AJ's not until spring. **Motion by Anna Grobe, seconded by John Rothhaar to accept the bid from CSB Industries up to the price quoted of \$9,750.00. Roll call vote: Ayes; Maryanne Goodman, Anna Grobe, Dotty Blank, Sally Casey and John Rothhaar. Nays: None.**

**County Updates:**

Art Jeannot presented his commissioners report which included information on County Committees, School Resource Officer and Building Authority.

**Township Depts:**

Planning Commission – Next meeting scheduled for January 10, 2019.

Zoning Administrator – Presented detailed report on activities for November and explained that the variance given on the Berlin property had expired since no permits were obtained or construction started. Property owners were notified.

Assessor – Measuring new construction, BOR scheduled on December 11, 2018.

**Public Comment:**

1. Maryanne will contact the Friends of the Sleeping Bear Dunes, they are supposed to get us the final report on the Bass lake project by mid-December.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:24 pm.

In Attendance: 6

Dotty Blank  
Clerk