

MONTHLY MEETING
March 1, 2018

Meeting: called to order by Bill Robinson at 7:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance: recited by all.

Roll Call: Present: Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman, Bill Robinson, and Dotty Blank.

Minutes: February 1, 2018 meeting approved as submitted.

Financial Reports: General Fund and Fire Fund presented by Maryanne Goodman. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by Sally Casey to approve the reports as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman, Bill Robinson and Dotty Blank. Nays; None.**

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

Payment of Township Accounts: Request for approval of General Fund Checks #7304 through #7327, in the amount of \$15,288.95 for the purpose of paying Township accounts, also EFPTS payment of \$1,606.25 and Fire Fund Checks #1342 through #1344 in the amount of \$593.22. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by John Rothhaar to approve the payment of township accounts as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Bill Robinson, Dotty Blank, Sally Casey, John Rothhaar and Maryanne Goodman. Nays; None.**

Additional Agenda items:

Public comment:

Guests: Amanda McLaren, Benzonia Public Library, gave a presentation of their 2017 annual report and programs offered.

Correspondence:

Incoming:

1. Email from the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians informing us that Lake Township on behalf of the Friends of the Sleeping Bear Dune Project received a grant in the amount of \$22,000.00.
2. Letter from MDOT North Region informing us of their annual rural elected and appointed officials meeting on Thursday, March 15, 2018.

Outgoing:

1. Letter to Township Supervisors concerning funding for local roads.

New Business:

1. Resolution to increase Supervisor salary. **Motion by Dotty Blank, seconded by John Rothhaar to approve the resolution to increase Supervisor salary as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; Maryanne Goodman, Bill Robinson, Dotty Blank, Sally Casey and John Rothhaar. Nays; None.**
2. Resolution to increase Clerk salary. **Motion by Sally Casey, seconded by Maryanne Goodman to approve the resolution to increase Clerk salary as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman, Bill Robinson, Dotty Blank and Sally Casey. Nays; None.**
3. Resolution to increase Treasurer salary. **Motion by John Rothhaar, seconded by Dotty Blank to approve the resolution to increase Treasurer salary as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman, Bill Robinson and Dotty Blank. Nays; None.**
4. Resolution to increase Trustee salary. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by Bill Robinson to approve the resolution to increase Trustee salary as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; Bill Robinson, Dotty Blank, Sally Casey, John Rothhaar and Maryanne Goodman. Nays; None.**
5. Bids for road improvements to Birch Point Rd., Birch Trail, Long Lake Rd. and Arborvitae. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman seconded by John Rothhaar to approve the bids received from the Road Commission to improve Birch Point Rd., Birch Trail, Long Lake Rd. and Arborvitae and authorize Bill Robinson to sign the agreements. Roll call vote: Ayes; Dotty Blank, Sally Casey, John Rothhaar, Maryanne Goodman and Bill Robinson. Nays; None.**

Old Business:

1. M22 Byway. John Rothhaar received an email stating the Byway committee is going ahead with plans for a guide book and website identifying businesses and attractions along the M22 corridor and he wondered if anything in our Township should be included. Maryanne Goodman said she would contact businesses along M22 and give them information on the corridor plan and let them decide if they want to be included.

County Updates:

Art Jeannot presented his county update covering; discussion with Sheriff Schendel and School Superintendent Matt Olson on possibly reinstating an officer at the middle school and high school. Grant application for the Betsie Valley Trail, County Technology, and posting for a Finance/IT manager.

Township Depts: Planning Commission – Organizational meeting set for 4/12/2018, discussion on ordinance covering outdoor wood burning furnaces.
Zoning Administrator – No report.
Assessor –March Board of Review dates set. Assessed values up \$29,000,000.
new construction up \$10,000,000. and taxable value up \$10,778,000.

Public Comment: None

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 pm.
In Attendance: 10

Dotty Blank, Clerk