

MONTHLY MEETING  
December 1, 2022

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

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

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

**Minutes:** November 3, 2022 Township Board meeting minutes approved as presented.

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

Fire Fund presented by Maryanne Goodman. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by Kyle Orr to approve the fire fund report as read. Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman, Dotty Blank, Sally Casey and Kyle Orr. Nays; None.** Maryanne gave overview of on-line tax collection.

**Budget Amendment:** None

**Payment of Township Accounts:** Request for approval of General Fund checks #9013 through #9040 in the amount of \$16,262.82 for the purpose of paying Township accounts, also EFPTS payment of \$1,846.29. **Motion by Sally Casey, seconded by Kyle Orr, to approve the payment of Township accounts as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Maryanne Goodman, Dotty Blank, Sally Casey, Kyle Orr and Anna Grobe. Nays; None.**

Request for approval of Fire Fund checks #1502 through #1505 in the amount of \$685.87. **Motion by Kyle Orr, seconded by Sally Casey to approve the payment of Fire Fund checks as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Dotty Blank, Sally Casey, Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe and Maryanne Goodman. Nays; None.**

**Additional Agenda items:** None

**Public comment on Agenda:** None

**Guests:** Josh Mills introduced himself and spoke about his experience with zoning and how he works with property owners to be able to use their land as long as it is in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance. Board questioned his ability to continue with his current position with City of Frankfort and zoning for several other Townships. He explained that he is considering resigning from two Townships and would like to focus on Lake Township along with Pleasanton Township and Village of Elberta.

**Motion by Anna Grobe seconded by Kyle Orr to appoint Josh Mills as our Zoning Administrator for the term of one-year effective January 1, 2023 at the current budgeted salary. Roll call vote: Ayes; Sally Casey, Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman and Dotty Blank, Nays; None.**

**Correspondence:**

- Incoming:**
1. Frankfort Fire report for October/November 2022.
  2. Beech St. Maintenance Agreement with Road Commission. Supervisor Grobe explained that there was confusion about winter snow maintenance which we did not agree to.
  3. Benzie Senior Resources and Darcy Library of Beulah newsletter.
  4. Recycling survey request from Networks Northwest.
  5. November 8, 2022 official election results for Lake Township.
  6. Postcard from “The Voters” reminding us that if we fail to comply with Federal laws concerning preservation of election records, we could face jail time or a \$1,000.00 fine. Clerk Blank explained that we follow both Federal and State laws concerning records preservation.

- Outgoing:**
1. Thank you note to Fresh Winds Church for snack tray they brought to the election workers.

**New Business:**

1. Resignation letter from Anna Grobe as Supervisor effective 12/31/2022. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by Dotty Blank to accept the resignation of Anna Grobe as Supervisor effective 12/31/2022. Roll call vote: Ayes; Maryanne Goodman, Dotty Blank, Sally Casey, Kyle Orr and Anna Grobe. Nays; None.** Township will publish Supervisor vacancy notice in the Record Patriot twice before the end of the year.

2. Board of Review appointments. **Motion by Anna Grobe, seconded by Sally Casey to appoint Madeline Bitzan-Powell, Jerry Slater, Nancy Simmons and Ross Stephenson as members of the Lake Township Board of Review effective January 1, 2023 for a term of two years ending December 31, 2024. Roll call vote: Ayes: Maryanne Goodman, Dotty Blank, Sally Casey, Kyle Orr and Anna Grobe. Nays; None.**

3. Poverty guidelines for 2023. **Motion by Dotty Blank, seconded by Maryanne Goodman to approve Resolution #2022-09 for Poverty Exemption for 2023 Assessments. Roll call Vote: Ayes; Sally Casey, Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman and Dotty Blank. Nays; None.**

4. Agreement for collection of summer school property taxes between Northwest Education Services and Lake Township. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by Anna Grobe to approve and sign agreement between Northwest Education Services and Lake Township for the collection of 2023 summer school property taxes. Roll call vote: Ayes; Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman, Dotty Blank and Sally Casey. Nays; None.**

**Old Business:** None

**County Updates:** Commissioner Art Jeannot submitted his written report from the County Commission which covered Public Safety, Housing, Human Resources, Economic Development and Drain Commission.

**Township Departments:**

**Planning Commission:** Meeting held on Nov. 17, 2022, final action on the Master Plan set for the February 17, 2023 meeting. They will be looking at short term rentals, Crystal Lake overlay district and review of our Zoning Ordinance.

**Zoning Administrator:** Written report submitted on zoning activities for November, 2022.

**Assessor:** Gunnar submitted a written report, he has made physical inspection on properties with finalized permits, open permits will be inspected in spring of 2023.

**Park Committee:** Still needs to contact EGLE on improvements to canoe pick-up area.

**Supervisor:** Board of Review meeting scheduled for 12/13/2022 at 10:00 am.

**Public Comment:** Clerk announced that Lake Township had a 78% turn out at the November 8<sup>th</sup> election.

8 in Attendance

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

Dotty Blank, Clerk