

MONTHLY MEETING
May 5, 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: April 7, 2022 Township Board meeting minutes approved as presented.
April 14, 2022 Special meeting minutes approved as presented.

Financial Reports: General Fund presented by Maryanne Goodman. **Motion by Kyle Orr, 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 Sally Casey, 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. Absent:**

Budget Amendment: None

Payment of Township Accounts: Request for approval of General Fund checks #8796 through #8825 in the amount of \$28,283.43 for the purpose of paying Township accounts and EFPTS payment of \$2,471.19. **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 #1485 and #1486 in the amount of \$341.24. (Fire fund checks #1483 and #1484 voided, printing error.) **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: None.

Correspondence:

- Incoming:**
1. Email from Bill Petti requesting that the Ironman bike race route be changed.
 2. Email from Rebecca Hubers about the county youth program which match youth with community service projects.
 3. Fire department council meeting report.
 4. Letter from Representative Jack O'Malley responding to our opposition to HB 4722 short term rentals.
 5. Email informing us of the passage of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.
 6. Email from Laurie Raymond asking about the status of requested road repair to Beech St.
 7. Email from Catherine Mulhaupt, MTA concerning possible conflict of interest with Township Attorney and Board member.
 8. Newsletter from Benzonia Public Library.

- Outgoing:**
1. Letter to Figura Law thanking them for their years of service to the Township.
 2. Letter to Nick Curcio informing him that we have engaged Mika Meyers law firm who will contact him about the road end issue.
 3. Letter thanking the two other law firms that submitted RFPs for legal counsel
 4. Letter and copy of resolution to Jack O'Malley, Kurt VanderWall and Governor Whitmer opposing HB 4722 short term rentals.

New Business:

1. Approval of Fire Contract with the City of Frankfort. **Motion by Anna Grobe, seconded by Sally Casey to approve the Fire Contract between the City of Frankfort and Lake Township as presented with an annual cost of \$76,718.00. Roll call vote: Ayes; Sally Casey, Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman and Dotty Blank.**
2. Approval of Medical First Response Services with the City of Frankfort. **Motion by Anna Grobe, seconded by Maryanne Goodman to approve the Medical First Response Services between the City of Frankfort and Lake Township with an annual cost of \$16,643.00 as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman, Dotty Blank and Sally Casey. Nays; None.**
3. Proposals for sealcoating Township Park parking lot. The Board reviewed and discussed the two proposals that were received. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by Dotty Blank to accept the bid from Brian's Superior Sealcoating at the price of \$6,300.00. Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman, Dotty Blank, Sally Casey and Kyle Orr. Nays; None.**

Old Business:

1. Mika Meyers law firm was chosen to represent Lake Township using the alternate fee proposal. Attorney Richard M. Wilson Jr. will work with the Township on legal matters.

County Updates: Commissioner Art Jeannot submitted his written report from the County Commission which covered County Administration, Benzie Bus and Economic Development.

Township Departments:

Planning Commission: New officers were appointed at the annual meeting held on April 21, 2022. Master Plan open house is tentatively scheduled for June 16th.

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

Assessor: Written report presented; 2022 roll book sent to County Equalization Department, database has been sent to the State in advance of the AMAR audit.

Park Committee: Information on trash can insert was presented. Dumpster will not be placed in the park, hopefully the new trash receptacles will take care of most of the trash. The benches and tables need to be power washed. **Motion by Kyle Orr, seconded by Sally Casey to purchase a power washer. Roll call vote: Ayes; Sally Casey, Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman and Dotty Blank. Nays; None.**

Supervisor: She and Bob Blank met with Attorneys Richard Wilson and Alex Henderson to discuss the issues with boat mooring and property clean up. She only has four attendants to work the park this year.

Public Comment: Blake and Shellee Wilson concerned with short term rentals, they were informed that Lake Township does have an ordinance covering short term rentals, but there is pending State legislation that would preempt local units of government from zoning short term rentals. They wanted to know what they could do to try to stop proposed legislation. They were informed to contact State Senator Kurt VanderWall and Governor Whitmer to voice their concerns.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:15 pm.
6 in Attendance

Dotty Blank, Clerk