

MONTHLY MEETING
November 3, 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: October 6, 2022 Township Board 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 Kyle Orr, seconded by Sally Casey 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.**

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

Fire Fund budget amendments presented by Maryanne Goodman. **Motion by Sally Casey seconded by Kyle Orr to approve the Fire Fund budget amendments as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Sally Casey, Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman and Dotty Blank. Nays; 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 \$2,420.72. **Motion by Sally Casey, seconded by Kyle Orr, to approve the payment of Township accounts as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman, Dotty Blank and Sally Casey. Nays; None.**

Request for approval of Fire Fund checks #1500 and #1501 in the amount of \$208.49. **Motion by Kyle Orr, seconded by Dotty Blank to approve the payment of Fire Fund checks as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman, Dotty Blank, Sally Casey and Kyle Orr. Nays; None.**

Additional Agenda items: None

Public comment on Agenda: None

Guests: Dan Bigger, Sergeant with the Department of Natural Resources spoke about the Platte River dredging issue. There will be a meeting between the DNR and the National Park Service, the Deputy Director of DNR, Shannon Lott, will be in attendance along with NPS Superintendent Scott Tucker. Dan will be at that meeting and will emphasize the importance of safety at the river mouth. He will keep us updated on what information comes out of the meeting.

Correspondence:

Incoming:

1. Frankfort Fire report for September/October 2022.
2. Par Plan newsletter.
3. West Benzie Joint Planning Commission release of master plan draft.
4. Benzie District Shores Library newsletter.

Outgoing:

1. Letter to County Clerk, cc: equalization department, informing them of our change in assessors.
2. Letter of support for two grants the Grand Traverse Conservation District is applying for.

New Business:

1. Resignation letter from Dotty Blank as Lake Township Clerk effective 12/31/2022. **Motion by Anna Grobe, seconded by Kyle Orr to accept the resignation of Dotty Blank as Clerk with deep regrets. Roll call vote: Ayes; Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey, Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe and Dotty Blank. Nays; None.**
2. Resignation letter from Bob Blank as Lake Township Zoning Administrator effective 12/31/2022. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by Kyle Orr to accept the resignation of Bob Blank as Zoning Administrator. Roll call vote: Ayes; Sally Casey, Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman and Dotty Blank. Nays; None.**
3. Appointment of new clerk. Clerk Blank went over some of the requirements of the position and the importance of knowledge with elections. **Motion by Maryanne Goodman, seconded by Sally Casey to appoint Anna Grobe to the position of Township Clerk effective January 1, 2023. Roll call vote: Ayes; Maryanne Goodman, Sally Casey, Kyle Orr. Abstain; Dotty Blank and Anna Grobe. 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 Parks and Recreation.

Township Departments:

Planning Commission: Next planning commission meeting scheduled November 17, 2022.

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

Assessor: Carol Merrill submitted her last report, she is working with the new assessor, updated pictures in the computer, all deeds, land use and building permits are input. Gunnar submitted a written report, there are 73 open permits he will start inspections on them beginning the week of Nov. 13th.

Park Committee: Kyle said he would email EGLE to see if we need a permit for work at the canoe pick-up.

Supervisor: Met with park attendants on Oct. 19th, all are planning to return next year. She and John Rothhaar met with consultants to discuss the proposed changes to Sutter Rd. Also, she and Maryanne met with other entities serviced by the Frankfort Fire Department to discuss formula changes to cover the salary of the Fire Chief.

Public Comment: None

5 in Attendance

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM

Dotty Blank, Clerk