

MONTHLY MEETING
October 6, 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: September 1, 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.**

Budget Amendment: None.

Payment of Township Accounts: Request for approval of General Fund checks #8976 through #9012 in the amount of \$35,900.60 for the purpose of paying Township accounts, also EFPTS payment of \$2,924.43. **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 #1498 and #1499 in the amount of \$172.68. **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: Ironman meeting

Public comment on Agenda: None

Guests: Mike Cederholm, Frankfort Fire Chief gave report on meeting with residents along Woodland Dr., items brought up included need for a survey to show road boundaries, he also spoke about dry hydrants on Platte River and Loon Lake and the possibility of obtaining a fire wise grant.

Pam Radabaugh, Benzie Shore Library representative. Pam thanked the Board for her appointment.

Gunnar Brow, Michigan Assessing Service introduced himself as our new assessor and answered questions from the Board.

Correspondence:

Incoming:

1. Frankfort Fire report for August/September
2. Copy of email to US Rep. Jack Bergman from the Department of Interior in reference to the dredging at the mouth of the Platte River.
3. Newsletters from Benzie Senior Resources and Benzie Shores Library.
4. Email from Stacy Pasche, Benzie Shores Library Director letting us know that Lake Township has 201 card holders.

Outgoing:

1. Agreement with Road Commission for improvements to Beech Ave.

New Business:

1. Contractual agreement with Michigan Assessing Service. **Motion by Anna Grobe, seconded by Dotty Blank to approve a one-year contract with Michigan Assessing Service. Roll call vote: Ayes; Sally Casey, Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman and Dotty Blank. Nays; None.**

2. Appointment of Anna Grobe as Clerk Assistant. Clerk Blank announced the appointment of Anna Grobe as Clerk Assistant as allowed by the State of Michigan to assist with processing applications and ballots for the November 8, 2022 election.

3. Planning Commission recommendation to approve Park Ridge PUD with stated conditions. John Rothhaar Planning Commission Chairman answered questions from residents about water run-off and what happens if the project is not complete, Gail Olsen read a letter she had prepared about her concerns with the developer and problems with run-off on another one of his properties that was clear cut. It was explained that the soil erosion permit has been issued by the County, we have a letter of credit from the developer to cover costs in the event of a problem. **Motion by Anna Grobe, seconded by Kyle Orr to accept the recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve the Park Ridge PUD development with stated conditions. Roll call vote: Ayes; Kyle Orr, Anna Grobe, Maryanne Goodman, Dotty Blank and Sally Casey. Nays; None.**

Old Business:

1. Iron Man wrap-up meeting. Number of participants was down this year, Anna asked about their donations, will they stay in Benzie County, how much will be donated and to who. She requested that Joel Gaff have that information for next years newsletter. Next years event is scheduled for September 17, 2023 with the same bike route.

County Updates: Commissioner Art Jeannot submitted his written report from the County Commission which covered County Administration, Housing, Human Resources and Economic Development. Art answered questions of the Board and residents.

Township Departments:

Planning Commission: John Rothhaar went over the Master Plan survey report.

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

Assessor: Values are going down; our ratio is 50.29, CPI for next year will probably be 5%.

Park Committee: Pulling trash cans, stone needed at canoe pick-up area and working on putting up new signs.

Supervisor: Park attendants are finished for the year, meeting with attendants scheduled for October 19th. Will be meeting with John Rothhaar and a representative from Mansfield Consultants to talk about the possibilities of moving Sutter Rd.

Public Comment: Mike Cederholm said there was going to be a pancake breakfast to support the Frankfort Fire Department on Saturday October 8th at the Hotel Frankfort. Also, an open house at the fire hall on October 22^{nds} from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Anna informed the Board that Dick Krupp our prior Zoning Administer had passed away.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:45 pm.

16 in Attendance

Dotty Blank, Clerk