

**Regular Board Meeting Agenda
May 13, 2024 – 7:30 p.m.**

Meeting called to order by Supv. Brian Moore followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

In attendance: Brian Moore, Kimberly Jones, Judy Wheelock, Keith Moore, Penny Nelson

With no additions or corrections to the agenda by Board and/or audience, **a motion by K. Jones; 2nd by J. Wheelock to accept the agenda. Carried.**

Motion by J. Wheelock; 2nd K. Moore to approve the April 8, 2024 regular board meeting minutes. Carried.

Treasurer's report.

- Treasurer reports that the money market account is paying a good return. There are three CDs due to mature; one on June 2 and two on July 5. **Motion by K. Moore; 2nd J. Wheelock to renew both CD #40003663 due July 5 and #40003655 due July 5, and not to renew 40003221 but to return it to the money market account. Carried.**
- **Motion by J. Wheelock; 2nd K. Moore to pay all bills presented using checks #9451-9478. Carried.**

Fire department report. None.

Blight Enforcement Officer. Kenneth Millard

- Reviewed the pending blight cases. Two cases will be going to “order for enforcement”, which will allow him to clean them up. Put on taxes, lien on property or going to circuit court which is costly. Issued four warning letters. Would like to add dangerous building verbiage to our ordinance. International Property Maintenance Code should be reviewed to see if any of it could be incorporated into our blight ordinance.

New business.

- Tim Knaoper, Manistee “Dirtbirds Club” regarding ORV trail changes. Explained that this is a subgroup of the Snowbirds working with the DNR to create official routes in Manistee, Benzie and Wexford counties. Asked for a letter of support from the township. **Motion by K. Moore; 2nd K. Jones to sign the letter of support for the Dirtbird's project. Carried.**
- Revision of electrical service quote (bury the dropline). Board agreed to not bury the dropline. **Motion by K. Moore to accept the \$4,110 quote from Glen Lake Electric; 2nd J. Wheelock. Carried.**
- Four water and temperature monitors from ParPlan were ordered and paid by the Par Plan.
- Board election schedule. Having all the offices up for election leaves the township potentially without anyone to conduct business should the whole board not be re-elected.
- Renewal of 6/2/24 and 7/5/24 CDs. See the treasurer's report.

Old business.

- Ground penetrating radar policy. Still pending.

Campground. Host, Lisa Cypert reviewed the prep work for the campground opening. Need the list of those that are no longer welcome at the campground. Host will send the list to the clerk. It will be shared with the sheriff department. Requested an infant/toddler swing to replace one of the regular swings. K. Moore to contact vendor for replacement. Would like the county to grade and brine the entry road.

Library report. None available at meeting time.

Correspondence. Charter Communications letter re channel change; Echo ad; Country Lines; Northern Tool catalog; Carrot Top catalog; request for a variance from the DNR.

Public comments. Alin Kuttilla (sp) from Kaleva introduced herself; running for County Commission seat #2. Jared Litwiller commented about the possibility of no business to be held at the July Board of Review, resulting in cancellation of that meeting.

Board comments. J. Wheelock commented that the corner of Lindy and Copemish Rds which is now being demolished occurred within a zoned township and that didn't prevent that situation. Clerk reviewed the MTA Conference she attended. Suggested that the board concerning a strategic plan for the township. Also, was anyone interested in hearing the MSU Extension person about zoning alternatives. Might be helpful to our blight enforcement challenges. June 15th is clean up day.

Adjournment: 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Penny Nelson
Township Clerk