

BENZONIA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 11, 2012

**Unapproved Minutes**

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Sheets at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Sheets, Mead, Burns, Delonnay, Rice.  
Absent: None.  
Staff: Hanmer, Fernelius, Neiger.  
Guests: 5 guests in attendance.

Supervisor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Mead to approve the agenda as presented. Supported by Delonnay. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Burns to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of December 14, 2011 as presented. Supported by Rice. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Treasurer presented a financial report for the month of December from the General and Fire Funds. (Copy of report attached to minutes in the Record Book)

Motion by Burns to approve the Treasurer's report for the month of December as presented. Supported by Mead. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

**CLERK'S REPORT**

(A) Approval of bills  
Discussion.

Clerk presented vouchers for the month of December from the General Fund in the amount of \$15,789.10. Vouchers #21163 thru # 21205.

Clerk presented vouchers for the month of December from the Fire Fund in the amount of \$3,106.03. Vouchers #7181 thru # 7217.

Clerk presented bills for the month of January.

Clerk presented to the board for their review, an end of the month Trial Balance.

Motion by Delonnay that bills be allowed as presented by the Clerk. Supported by Rice. Roll Call Vote: Sheets, yes. Burns, yes. Rice, yes. Delonnay, yes. Mead, yes. Motion carried.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

Supervisor updated the board on several items.

**\*Benzie County Sheriff's Dept. – Snowmobile Safety Program request for continued support. Discussion.**

Motion by Mead to contribute to the Benzie County Sheriff's Dept. Snowmobile Program for \$200.00, when the contract is provided. Supported by Delonnay. Roll Call Vote: Mead, yes. Burns, yes. Delonnay, yes. Rice, yes. Sheets, yes. Motion carried.

**\*Supervisor recommended Genny Bowman as an alternate member to the Board of Review.**

Motion by Sheets to nominate Genny Bowman as an alternate member to the Board of Review. Supported by Rice. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

**\*Supervisor noted the MTA Chapter Meeting scheduled for January 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. – Benzonia Township hosting it.**

STAFF REPORTS:

- (A) Fire Chief: Reported for the month of December:  
8 fire runs; 17 medical runs.  
  
Chief updated the board on several items.
- (B) Cemetery Sexton: Report received.
- (C) Township Attorney: No report. \*Supervisor will check with Mr. Figura regarding the skating rink contribution.
- (D) Commissioner Report: Not present. No report.
- (E) Zoning Administrator: Report received.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Northwest Michigan Council of Governments – Meeting at Kalkaska on February 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.  
–Transportation Planning.

ACTION ON COMMUNICATION ITEMS: None.

PENDING BUSINESS:

- (A) Committee reports were received.

NEW BUSINESS:

**\*Discussion followed regarding aerial photos.**

Motion by Burns to spend \$520 toward new aerial maps, not to exceed \$520. Supported by Rice.  
Discussion. Roll Call Vote: Burns, yes. Mead, yes. Sheets, yes. Rice, yes. Delonay, yes. Motion carried.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.

The full proceedings of these minutes are on tape in the Clerk's office for thirty days after approval of them.

Submitted by:

Judy Herban  
Recording Secretary

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Patricia A. Mead  
Township Clerk