

BENZONIA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2015

Unapproved Minutes

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

Present: Sheets, Heller, Burns, Priest, Barnard.

Absent: None.

Staff: Guests: No guests in attendance , C. Carland, Comm., & M. Skeels, Benzie Co. Rd. Comm.,
Mgr.

Supervisor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Barnard to approve the agenda as presented. Supported by Priest. Voice Vote: All Ayes.
Motion carried.

Motion by Priest to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of August 12, 2015 as presented.
Supported by Burns. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

Motion by Barnard to approve the Treasurer's report for the month of August as presented. Supported by Heller. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

(A) Approval of bills

Clerk presented bills for the month of September.

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

Motion by Burns that bills be allowed as presented by the Clerk. Supported by Barnard. Roll Call Vote: Sheets, yes. Burns, yes. Barnard, yes. Priest, yes. Heller, yes. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Supervisor updated the board on several items.

***Supervisor scheduled a Special Meeting for Tuesday, September 22nd at noon to discuss tree issues in the cemetery, a culvert on Pond Rd., and Fireworks Ordinance.**

STAFF REPORTS:

(A) Fire Chief:

Reported for the month of August:
4 Fire runs; 10 medical runs.

Chief updated the board on several items.

(B) Cemetery Sexton:

Report received.

(C) Township Attorney:

No report.

(D) Commissioner Report:

Mr. Carland updated the board on several items regarding County business.

(E) Zoning Administrator:

Report received.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter – Don Howard – Fireworks Ordinance.

ACTION ON COMMUNICATION ITEMS:

No action. ***Supervisor will reply to Mr. Howard's request.**

PENDING BUSINESS:

- (A) Committee reports were received.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Truth In Taxation:

*Treasurer explained the allowable millage rate.

Motion by Burns to collect the maximum allowable millage available under the Truth In Taxation. Supported by Barnard. Roll Call Vote: Burns, yes. Heller, yes. Priest, yes. Sheets, yes. Barnard, yes. Motion carried.

2. Matt Skeels – Benzie County Road Comm., Mgr.

Matt introduced himself as the new manager at the Road Commission.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

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

Diana L. Heller
Township Clerk