

BENZONIA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

Approved

REGULAR MEETING,

October 10, 2018

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Barnard at 7:30PM.

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

Absent: None

Guests: None

Supervisor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Burns moved to approve the agenda as presented, supported by Sheets. All Ayes.
Motion by Sheets to approve the minutes from the Regular board meeting September 12, 2018. Priest supported. All Ayes, motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT: Burns gave report, Sheets made a motion to accept Treasurer's report. Burns supported. All Ayes.

CLERKS'S REPORT:

The clerk presented a Profit and Loss statement for both the General and Fire Funds and a list of Accounts Payable for the month of September for both accounts. Priest made motion to accept clerks report. Burns supported. Roll call Vote: Sheets yes, Burns Yes, Barnard yes, Heller yes, Priest yes.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

1. Discussion about complaints concerning condition of Old Platte Rd. Also Holiday Ct & Walker St. needing repairs.
2. Discussion on Veterans Memorial Pavilion to be started soon with a projected finish date of November 11, 2018.
3. Discussion on Benzie County Summit taking place on October 30th.
4. Discussion on Blight on both Narrow Gauge & Platte Rd. being addressed.

STAFF REPORTS:

STAFF Present; Steve Adams.

1. FIRE CHIEF: Had 35 calls, 15 for fire & 20 for Medical. Discussion on training, Radios have been installed, annual testing for ladders & pumps coming in October & Medical License renewed. Plans in the works for burning a house on Joyfield Rd.
2. Cemetery Sexton: No report.
3. Township Attorney: No report.
4. Commissioners Report: No report.
5. Zoning Administrator Report: 42 permits issued this year, with a few pending.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT :

*Three (3) minutes or limited by majority of the board. Agenda items only.

None

COMMUNICATION: Donation given to Park from Republican Party.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Cemetery: Tops out of trees from recent storm, & some complaints about flowers being discarded to early.
- Parks: New playground equipment being planned & fund raiser for playground and walking trail being planned.
- Fire Department: No report.

- Township Roads: No report.
- Community Activities: Discussion on News letter Karen Burns is working on for winter.
- Finance: No report.
- Personnel: No report.
- Policy: No report.
- ZBA: Meeting planned for Thursday October 18th, 2018.
- Blight: Sheets still working on complaints.
- NEW BUSINESS:
 1. Discussion on funding four of BACN's programs for 9 mos. with a grant.
Sheets moved to sign grant, Burns supported. Roll call vote: Sheets yes, Burns yes, Barnard yes, Heller yes, Priest yes. All ayes.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Motion by Sheets to adjourn, supported by Priest.
Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 8:15 P.M.

Submitted by:

Cindy L. Sanford
Recording Secretary

Diana L. Heller,
Township Clerk

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:

- Discussion on Benzie County Summit Meeting on October 30th.
- Discussion on the Veterans Memorial Pavilion being started.
- Discussion on Fire Dept. planning burn of house on Joyfield Rd.
- Discussion on Grant for BACN. Approved.