

**BENZONIA TOWNSHIP
1020 Michigan Ave.
Benzonia, MI 49616**

Special Meeting – Sunkissed Hills LLC

March 7, 2024

Approved:

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Jason Barnard at 10:05AM.

Roll Call was taken with Burns, Barnard, Gardner and Heller present, Priest was absent. Steve Adams, the Fire Chief was present. Guest: Ross A. Leisman, attorney with Mika Meyers, PLC

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss a resolution to the lawsuit for Sunkissed Hills, LLC and anything else that may need action at this time by the Township Board.

Supervisor Barnard opened the discussion and introduced Ross A. Leisman, attorney who explained the orders of settlement he was presenting, the supervisor added to the discussion. Mr. Leisman also said he had been in touch with our insurance agent and that a portion of our expenses should be covered, but the full amount of coverage would be considered at a later date.

Burns made a motion to approve the settlement of the two lawsuits and authorize our attorney, **Ross Leisman to sign both orders.** A roll call vote was taken: those voting Aye were: Gardner, Burns, Barnard, Heller. Priest, absent. Motion passed.

Treasurer Burns brought up a change to the budget due to an increase in election wages. She passed out amended budgets for the board and a discussion followed. She then brought up an issue with West Benzie Joint Planning Commission not having enough money to cover payroll. She presented a solution of Benzonia Township allowing a loan. Burns made a motion to allow money to be moved from the General Fund of Benzonia Township to WBJP of up to \$4,000.00. After a discussion a roll call vote was taken with all voting Aye, motion passed.

A motion was made by Burns and supported by Gardner to adjourn the meeting at 10:45am. All ayes

Submitted by,

Diana L. Heller

Benzonia Township Clerk.