

**WELDON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
February 13, 2024
Tuesday
7:00PM**

The meeting was called to order by R. Hitesman, Supervisor, at 7:00PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

ATTENDANCE: Ron Hitesman, Supervisor X; Fran Griffin, Clerk X; Sally Bobek, Treasurer X; Sue Meredith, Trustee X; Scott Williams, Trustee X.

GUESTS: Gary Sauer, Chuck Kraus, Vicki Schwartz, Ken Pasanski, Chad Hollenbeck, R. Parmer,

CHANGES/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Clerk made a change to the Benzie Treasurer bill amount to \$5.07 that changed the total of bills to \$11,137.48. S. Bobek motioned to approve the agenda with the change. R. Hitesman seconded. All ayes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: R. Hitesman motioned to approve the January 9, 2024, Meeting Minutes, and the Election Commission Minutes from January 30, 2024. S. Bobek seconded. All ayes.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT: Treasurer submitted a corrected January 2024 report and the February 2024. She also spoke on the CD's that are expiring in March. Discussion. She also mentioned that we have \$5000 left in ARPA money. Ideas to use the money on the Hall roof, DUP roof, playground equipment. Everyone to have other ideas at the March meeting. F. Griffin motioned to approve the Treasurer's reports. R. Hitesman seconded. All ayes.

GUEST INPUT (up to 3 minutes per guest): Chad Hollenbeck gave an annual report on the Benzie Bus. The bus fleet is getting older. Looking to purchase new vehicle in the future. The Bus will do a seven mile out of Benzie County. They do a Health bus for people with medical appointments/procedures. Discussion. G. Sauer gave an update on Benzie County business. Headlee Reset -County moving forward with it. Platte River School is being demolished. BCRC is looking at putting up a new building. Thompsonville Village water rate is going up to help pay for the new water project in the spring. The environmental part of the Benzie Health Dept has moved to Leelanau. Maples generator broke down and is being rebuilt at a cost of about \$42,000. Kelly Long has been appointed to become the new County Treasurer on March 1st when Michelle Thompson retires. Mr. Sauer asked anyone in attendance to sign a petition after the meeting. C. Kraus gave an update on the TARP project budget and plans. Will be applying for grants.

REPORTS:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR: on file

DAY USE PARK: on file. C. Meredith report included the leak from the roof which has been an issue for a few months. R. Hitesman will check with Scott Slavin to find out who we need to contact regarding our lease and the repair of the building.

PLANNING COMMISSION: none

LIQUOR INSPECTOR REPORT: on file.

FIRE DEPT REPORT: on file. S. Bobek asked if the Village has plans to replace their fire truck. CD was discussed.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: on file. BOR of review dates have been set.

BUDGET REPORT: Clerk asked for a budget amendment: Move \$500 from 890-000 Contingency to Clerk Education/Mileage 215-960. S. Bobek motioned to approve the amendments. S. Williams seconded. All ayes.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS: R. Hitesman reported that a driveway entrance off Lindy Rd. to the Crystal Commons project area has been approved by the BCRC.

CLERK COMMENTS: Clerk asked the Board if anyone is interested in attending the MTA conference in April. Discussion. Everyone would like to attend a one-day session. Discussion. S. Williams made the motion that all Board members may attend one day session. S. Bobek seconded. All ayes. Budget workshop date was decided for February 29th at 3PM. R. Hitesman made the motion to hold the Budget Hearing on March 12th at 6:30PM prior to our Regular Meeting. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Village water hookup—Hall/Daycare Center-tabled. Short Term Rentals ordinance-S. Meredith will take to the Planning Commission at their April meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: none

CORRESPONDENCE:

PUBLIC COMMENTS: none

ADJOURNMENT: R. Hitesman motioned to adjourn. S. Williams seconded. All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57PM

Respectfully submitted:

Fran Griffin
Weldon Township Clerk