WELDON TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING MINUTES December 10, 2024 Tuesday 7:00PM

The meeting was called to order by C. Aldrich, Supervisor at 7:00PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

GUESTS: Becky Sharp, Chuck Kraus, Robert Aldrich, Gary Sauer, Vicki Schwartz, Chris Bobek, Phyllis Kladder, Tim Cypher

CHANGES/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: S. Bobek motioned to approve the agenda as presented. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: S. Williams motioned to approve the November 12, 2024, Regular Meeting minutes. S. Meredith seconded. All ayes.

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT: Treasurer reported that fifteen Veteran's Tax Notices were sent in error. BS&A has corrected the error. Balance of ARPA monies (\$7000 approx.) was discussed. MTA has said you cannot use ARPA for the water station for TARP because it would be in the Village limits. Discussion. Township attorney, Tim Figura, sent a Memorandum of Understanding between Weldon Township and TARP. Discussion. He also sent an email suggesting a revenue replacement. S. Bobek made the motion to allocate the remaining ARPA monies (\$6947) to the brining account. S. Williams seconded. All ayes. Treasurer addressed the CD's that will expire in Dec 2024. Discussion. Motion to approve the renewal of the CDs at Honor Bank for 11 months at 3.4% by S. Williams. Seconded by S. Bobek. All ayes.

GUEST INPUT: G. Sauer, Commissioner, gave an update on County business including proposed Casino on Hoadley Rd. Discussion. Reported EGLE vs Point Betsie shoreline issue, Possible Juvenile Detention Center, Board of Commissioners approved Village of Honor business district corridor, new Animal Control Officer needed, Fiberoptic grant for Blaine and Lake Townships, Park Service officer and canine were asked to help locate a person.

Reports:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR: Tim gave a verbal report and is also on file.

DAY USE PARK & CEMETERY: on file.

PLANNING COMMISSION: n/a

LIQUOR INSPECTOR REPORT: on file.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: on file. BOR-December met today at 5:30PM.

BUDGET REPORT: Amendment request to move \$2700.00 from 890-000 Contingency to 851-857 Payroll Taxes \$2200, 253.702 Treasurer Wage \$300 and Township Board 101.000 \$200. S. Bobek motion to approve the amendment requests. S. Williams seconded. All ayes.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS: C. Aldrich has spoken with the Township attorney regarding the TARP money allocation (see above), attended the FLYWHEEL meeting on housing needs. Consider a zoned area for small houses. Spoke with Jon Stimson for progress on Crystal Commons. They are fund raising, have applied for two grants. Plans are to break ground in the fall of 2025. Village has 3 new Council members, Kayla Russell, Village Clerk, Sue Meredith, Village Trustee and Ken Pasanski, Village President. BOR meeting tonight had one correction.

CLERK COMMENTS: Clerk made a correction to the November bills: Incorrect 941 bill was sent to the Township. The EFPTS#48 should read \$1035.46 instead of \$2133.05 making the November bills total \$21627.12. The Assessor send a Resolution for Poverty Exemption for 2025 that needs to be completed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Village water hookup—It appears that the hole the Cole, the contractor, for the Village water system dug and had a fence around has been somewhat been filled in. C. Aldrich, Supervisor, will check with the Village President, Mr. Pasanski. Short Term Rentals—discussion. STR will be removed from the agenda. Tim Cypher, Zoning Administrator, explained the Online Cloud Permit system. It is not mandatory and there is no cost to the Township and is available 24/7 365 days. It is not for cellphone use. Discussion.

NEW BUSINESS:

A Resolution for Poverty Exemption for 2025 form has been received from the Assessor. S. Williams made the motion to approve the Resolution for Poverty Exemption 2025 with a limit of \$2500.00. S. Bobek seconded. Roll call vote: S. Bobek yea, C. Aldrich, yea, S. Williams, yea, S. Meredith, yea. F. Griffin, yea. 5 yeas- 2 nays. Motion carried. Resolution #12102024. C. Aldrich, Supervisor, has talked with C. Kraus about fee recommendations for the January Planning Commission meeting. Planning commission could review the housing issue addressed at the conference. Discussion.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: S. William motioned to pay the bills. S. Meredith seconded. All aves.

BILLS: December 10, 2024

Benzie Record Patriot -subs-6 mo.	\$34.50
JT Outdoors LLC-Snow Removal (park and hall)	\$1620.00
	
EFPTS49 IRS-941 Q4 2024 Township Board Pay	\$2236.84 \$4166.66
Assessor	\$1678.08
Tim Cypher-Zoning Admin	\$800.00
Julie Lonn-Hall Cleaning	\$50.00
Acentek	\$247.57
Cherryland Electric (December) est	\$80.00
AFLAC	\$239.40
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ATI Consulting	\$39.00
Chris Bobek-light repair	\$90.00
S. Bobek-reimburse lights/subs/Holiday décor	\$131.82
Stanley Steemer	\$695.00
Apex Software	\$260.00
S. Bobek-per diem Library	\$50.00
VISA	\$772.30
Pioneer Press	\$38.70
Benzie County Clerk-Notices/Programming	\$2174.75
Benzie County Treasurer-2024 Winter Tax Billing	\$2158.88
Scott Williams-DUP maint	\$200.00

TOTAL..... \$17,763.50

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

CORRESPONDENCE: BVDL Minutes, BCRC Local Road Committee 2025, 2025 Hazardous Collection Dates, Housing North-Benzie Needs Asset Summary and Data Summary

ADJOURNMENT: C. Aldrich adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned: 7:54pm.

Fran Griffin

Weldon Township Clerk