INLAND TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

March 13, 2017

Inland Township Offices

6:00 p.m. Called to Order by Supervisor Beechcraft

**Pledge of Allegiance** - recited

**Roll Call**: Present- Supervisor Beechcraft, Trustee Miller, Trustee Poulisse, Treasurer Wilson and Clerk Wirth.

**Public Comment –** Emily Pangborn, 2801 Timber Ridge Rd, Interlochen, speaking on behalf of Benzie County Central Schools in regards the .9 mil sinking fund increase on the May 2, 2017 ballot.

**Approval of Meeting Agenda –**

**\*A**dd the March 8, 2017 Special Meeting minutes to New Business #2.

\*Add to Reports #5 b: JPC Resignation/New member

\* Unfinished Business add #2 Brundage Cemetery

**Motion** made by Beechraft to approve meeting agenda with additions seconded by Miller.

Ayes – all Nays – none motion carried

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

Approval of Minutes for February 13, 2017

Financial Reports for the month of February;

Approval of Prepaid Bills: General Checking: #11230-11280= $17970.96

Approval to allow the Supervisor or Clerk to balance the budget prior to March 31st

Approval to allow the Clerk and the Treasurer to pay end of the year bills prior to March 31st.

Budget Adjustments.

**Motion** by Wilson to approve Consent Agenda minus minutes from February 13, 2017 seconded by Miller.

Roll Call: Ayes – Miller, Poulisse, Wilson Wirth and Beechraft Nays – none. Motion carried

**Corrections** to February 13, 2017 minutes

\* page 2 under #4 County Commissioner “The meeting next month will be held at Inland Township” needs to be moved to #5 for JPC meeting.

\*page 3 DNR - “Interlochen so hooks up to Traverse” to read “Interlochen to hook up to Traverse”

**Motion** made by Wilson to approve minutes as amended seconded by Miller

Ayes - all Nays - none motion carried

**Special Guests:** none

**Reports:**

1. Parks & Recreation - none
2. Fire Association – February 15, 2017 draft copy of minutes received from Poulisse. Next meeting is March 15, 2017. Planning fundraisers for the year and the annual blood drive for May 19, 2017.

**6:15 p.m.** **Public Hearing:** Supervisor Beechcraft recessed the regular meeting to go into the Public Hearing .

**6:24 p.m. Reconvene Regular Meeting** by Supervisor Beechraft.

**Continue Reports:**

1. Inland Township Fire Chief – Fire Chief Cutway took a full time position with Green Lake Township but will still be working with us. Fire Department staff picked up the new ambulance Saturday and it is in the fire barn. Assistant Fire Chief Pfost reviewed the year to date run summary report.
2. County Commissioner - none
3. Homestead and Inland Joint Planning Commission/ZBA – no JPC meeting last month.

Miller reported that there is currently nothing on the agenda for the next meeting for March 20, 2017

* 1. February 2017 report was submitted for review.
  2. JPC resignation and new member – Roger Hubbell resigned effective immediately.

**Motion** made by Beechraft to accept Roger Hubbell’s resignation seconded by Wilson.

Ayes- all Nays – none motion carried

It was brought to the Board to appoint Jim Clark as a new member for 3 years and Paul Huffman as alternate for 1 year.

**Motion** made by Beechraft to appoint Jim Clark to 3 year position and Paul Huffman to 1 year alternate position seconded by Miller.

Ayes – all Nays - None motion carried

1. Township Board Members Reports

Beechraft gave a report on the trail meeting he attended last week stating that the goal for the rails to trails is to have all the trails connected from Benzie County to Grand Traverse.

**Approval of Unpaid Bills**:

Question was raised regarding check #11295 for Sherri Ockert-Poulisse. It was explained it was a replacement check for the one she lost.

**Motion** made by Wilson to pay checks #11281 - 11296 totaling $13,236.87 as presented seconded by Poulisse.

Roll Call: Ayes - Wilson, Wirth, Poulisse, Beechraft and Miller Nays – none Motion carried

**Correspondence**:

1. Attorney Brott emails
   1. Fire Suppression – everything looks good with the fee schedule and Resolution. It was suggested to change the fee for Bed and Breakfast to $30.00. Swimming pool fees were also added.

**Motion** made by Wilson to adopt the Fire Suppression System Resolution as presented seconded by Miller.

Roll Call: Wirth, Beechraft, Miller, Poulisse and Wilson Nays - none Motion carried

**Motion** by Wilson to adopt the water suppression fees as amended seconded by Miller

Roll Call: Ayes - Beechraft, Miller, Poulisse, Wilson and Wirth Nays – none Motion carried

**Motion** by Beechraft to make Resolution 2017-02 Township wide Fire Suppression System effective April 1, 2017 seconded by Poulisse.

Roll Call: Ayes- Miller, Poulisse, Wilson, Wirth and Beechraft Nays – none Motion carried

* 1. Joshua Riness – Beechraft stated he received a call from the attorney and they are having difficulty locating Joshua Riness to serve papers.

1. DEQ memo
2. Benzie Recycling 2016 Annual Report
3. Office of Emergency Management Public officials conference

**Unfinished Business**:

1. Sexton –

**Motion** made by Wilson to renew the Sexton contract for 4 years with changes (increase full burial from $400 to $450 and winter burial to $900) seconded by Miller

Roll Call: Ayes - Poulisse, Wilson, Wirth, Beechraft and Miller Nays – none Motion carried

1. Brundage Cemetery - the plan for sectioning the cemetery was discussed.

**Motion** by Wilson to have Christy Anderson continue working on the Brundage Cemetery sectioning seconded by Poulisse.

Roll Call: Ayes - Wilson, Wirth, Beechcraft, Miller and Poulisse Nays - none

**Motion** made by Wilson to continue a moratorium on lot sales at Brundage Cemetery seconded by Miller.

Ayes – all Nays – none motion carried

**New Business:**

1. Appropriations Act – corrections need to be made as follows:

\* Figures for General Revenue and Expenditures should be 324,762.00.

\* Fire Association is missing – add with Revenues and Expenditures at 10,250.00

\* Section 1 Title – 2017 -02 should read 2017-06

\* Section 2 – date should read March 13, 2017

\* Section 7 – “take” should be “make”

**Motion** made by Wilson to accept 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act Resolution 2017-06 as amended seconded by Poulisse.

Roll Call: Ayes – Wirth, Beechraft, Miller, Poulisse and Wilson Nays – none

Supervisor Beechraft declared the motion carried and duly adopted on March 13, 2017

1. Clean up day May 6, 2017

**Motion** made by Beechraft to ~~have~~ schedule clean-up day for May 6, 2017 from 7 a.m. – 11 a.m. seconded by Poulisse.

Roll Call: Ayes – Wirth, Beechraft, Miller, Poulisse and Wilson Nays - none

1. March 8, 2017 Special Meeting Minutes

**Motion** made by Beechraft to accept minutes with the request of adding all names to the Roll Call votes seconded by Miller

Ayes – all Nays- none motion carried

**Public Comment:** John Bounker asked about the trees on Lake Ann Road if they were going to get cleaned up.

Monika Fiebing asked about the letter from Attorney Brott. Also why she never got notification of the Special Meeting stating it was in violation of her FOIA request. Notices were also not placed on the website and wanted to know why stating this was also a FOIA violation. She also wanted to bring to the Boards attention on being in violation of the Open Meetings Act.

**Any Other Business to come before the Board** – Chief Cutway and Supervisor Beechraft met with the Risk Manager. Risk Manager told them everything looked good, Chief Cutways records are in great shape and he is pleased with his record management.

**Adjournment:**

**Motion** made by Poulisse to adjourn the meeting seconded by Wilson

Ayes – all Nays- none

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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Rose A. Wirth, Clerk Paul Beechraft, Supervisor