

**HOMESTEAD TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
August 7, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Homestead Township Board was called to order at 6:00p.m., by Chair Shannon Purchase.

The entire audience participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present by Roll Call: Shannon Purchase, Mike Mead, Mary Geetings, Beverly Holbrook, and Shelley Rosa.

AGENDA - Motion by Rosa to accept the agenda with addition. Insurance Renewal, JPC Zoning Ordinance Amendment. Support Mead. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

MINUTES - July 10, 2017 - Motion by Purchase to accept the July 10, 2017 minutes as presented. Support Rosa. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC INPUT -

Keith Riemersma - What happened to the Fireman that they were trying to have removed?

MOTION TO PAY BILLS- Motion by Holbrook to pay the General, Fire and Park Bills. Discussion followed regarding the bill from AJ Excavating in the Fire Folder. Support by Purchase to pay all bills. Roll Call - All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CONSENT BILLS - Motion by Purchase, support Holbrook to accept the Clerk and Treasurer's report as presented.

REPORTS -

Fire Report - Pump testing took place last week here at the fire station. Tim reported on the condition on the 2003 truck - He will be working on finding ways (grants) to purchase a replacement truck sooner than later.

The Rescue Trucks final cost will run approximately \$60,000 dollars. He has not heard from the tribe as to who was granted the bids.

Recommendation has come from the Fire Department to hire Michael Vincent to join the department. Motion by Holbrook to hire Michael Vincent. Support Purchase. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

He reminded everyone to vote tomorrow.

Park- Kids games are done. Games are now 3 nights a week, with 2 tournaments planned for the future.

Commissioner - Frank distributed to the Board the Benzie County Building Code and Safety Enforcement Report for 2017 - Benzie County Annual Report 2016 and 2017 - and The Libraries of Benzie County.

Motion by Purchase to approve the Fire, Park and Commissioner reports as given, and the Assessor's and the JPC reports as submitted. Support Holbrook. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

ACTION ITEMS -

Bids for paving - Bids were opened and tabled until next month. A typed proposal will be given to those that submitted bids, and they will be asked to resubmit. A decision will be made at the September meeting.

Zoning Ordinance - Motion by Rosa to accept the recommendation from the JPC to adopt the Zoning Ordinance Amendment to establish minimum dwelling dimensions.

Section 3.38 single Family Dwellings

Unless in a licensed mobile home park, all dwellings shall:

- A. Be a minimum width of twenty-four (24)feet.**
- B. Meet the minimum setbacks for the zoning district in which it is located.**

Support Purchase. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Insurance Renewal - Motion by Geetings to accept the Insurance Renewal from Burnham and Flower for 2017.

NEW BUSINESS - Pataky Fireworks - Mr. Pataky distributed a copy of the Fireworks Application for the display that will take place on Saturday night of

the Coho Festival. The Coho Festival was able to secure the cost of the added insurance needed to make this happen. The application will be submitted for record, once he receives the policy from California.

David Shafer - Benzie County Recycling - Recommended that Mr. Shafer contact the Lions Club regarding their building. Bev volunteered to contact an engineer to come up with a site plan to place the bins behind the Lions Club Building.

Blight / Junk Ordinance Complaints - Shannon visited a site on Peckens Road, and did not feel it was a valid complaint. There is not trash / garbage laying around.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

Shelley Rosa - I was given money from the last ball tournament. Where would the board like this to be deposited? After a lengthy discussion, it was recommended to Call MTA regarding the use of the park and fees that are being collected from the team members to play in the park.

ADJOURN - Motion by Purchase to adjourn . Support Geetings. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

Respectively Submitted

Mary Geetings
Homestead Twp Clerk

Shannon Purchase
Twp Supervisor