MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING January 13, 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:34 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Tiemeyer, Leep, Brenner, Smit present, Sipple absent

Motion made by Brenner, supported by Tiemeyer to approve minutes from December 9, 2015 board meeting and January 4, 2016 special meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Brenner, supported by Tiemeyer to approve the payment of bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report was received as information.

Welcome Guests

Public Comment - Rob Heethuis, Gun Lake Protective Association presented a request to seek partnership with the neighboring townships to help contribute for a weather siren installation at Murphey's point on Gun Lake.

Tribal Chairman Sprague, is donating 15,000 towards the Siren and would like to see surrounding townships match his price for the completion of this project.

Don Black, County Commissioner presented a synopsis of county business.

Ambulance: None

Cemetery: Treasurer is creating a cemetery list of spoken/purchased sites.

Library: Kelsey gave the board a report on Library business. Gun Lake Women's Club was the winner of the festival of the trees. Reylene Bennington is the winner of the Little Women doll raffle.

Request for use of library parking lot for a recycle drive, January 30, 2016. February 13th the library will be holding an Open House for newly renovated library from 9am-1pm.

Memorial Park: None

Planning Commission: None

Roads: Gun Plain Township meeting 7 pm, January 18, 2016.

Strategic Planning: policy / procedure manual - tabled until February 2016

Fire: Wykstra updated board on progress of new fire truck, warranty does not take effect until completion of truck.

February 22, 2016 there will be an active shooter demonstration being held.

Gun Plain has moved the boundaries of Mutual Aid Support. Motion made by Brenner, supported by Tiemeyer. Motion carried unanimously.

Wykstra presented a new officer for the fire department;

Dan VanGamerat - former Marine.

Motion made by Brenner, supported Tiemeyer to approve the officer as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

Gun Lake Protective Association -

Resolution 15-18 Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Smit, to approve the (corrected) resolution 15-18 to partner with GLPA in the amount of 1500.00 for weather siren. Motion carried unanimously.

Roll Call - All Ayes, Tiemeyer, Leep, Brenner, Smit.

Amend Budget - Motion made by Smit, supported by Tiemeyer to amend budget per adopting the GLPA Resolution 15-18. Motion carried unanimously. Roll Call - All Ayes, Tiemeyer, Leep, Brenner, Smit

Old Business:

Farmland Agreement - Boersen - Smit informed the Board that she is still waiting on the Conservation Districts response.

Board Reports:

Supervisor - Leep - New management at Gun Lake Sewer.

Clerk - Smit - Final audit review to board. Sending letter of explanation to the Department of Treasury per final audit questions. Also, informed board she is in search of a new Deputy Clerk.

Treasurer - Tiemeyer - signatures for continuing of safe deposit box at bank and will also find out what is in the safe deposit.

Tiemeyer appointed Laura Westendorp as new Deputy Treasurer.

Trustee - Jim - None

Trustee - Jack - None

Motion made by Brenner, supported by Tiemeyer to adjourn meeting at 8:31 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachelle Smit Martin Township Clerk