

# MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

August 9, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion made by Brenner, supported by Sipple, to approve July 12, 2017, regular Board meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mary Whiteford, State Representative presented a synopsis of district business and bills she is trying to pass.

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

**Ambulance:** Motion made by Leep, supported by Smit, to approve Sara Lynema as Martin Township representative for the Wayland Area EMS Board. Motion carried unanimously. Stuart Peet presented an update with the Wayland Area EMS.

**Cemetery:** Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Sipple, to approve survey proposal of Old East driveway to be moved and single graves for purchase. Motion carried unanimously. Motion made by Brenner, supported by Smit for Township Sexton to remove 2 old sheds at cemeteries. Motion carried unanimously. Leep will check on the replacing sheds with portable ones or potential trailer for hauling the supplies around in. Smit will be in touch with Consumers Representative of our area and find out if they will pay for damages done to Sipple's brush hog that was damaged, due to Consumers leaving an old pole on site when they replaced it. Sexton inquired on some sort of cart or way to transport heavy, large headstones? Visser will be in contact with Plainwell Monument Company to see if they have any suggestions?

**Fire:** Motion made by Brenner, supported by Sipple to approve Bradley Gunderson as a Martin Township Firefighter. Motion carried unanimously. Chief Wykstra is still experiencing problems with the new rescue truck and in communication with Spencer's regarding getting the issues repaired. After action report meeting on B93 Birthday Bash will be held August 17, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at the Township Hall.

**Library:** Kelsey reported the Library business. The Library just held the Summer Reading Program awards ceremony. The Library will be holding a Summer eclipse viewing August 21, 2017 at 12:30 at the Library, with possible overflow at the Township Hall. The firewall is not compatible with the current computers in the Library. Kershaw was able to purchase a new one for \$1108.00, in which Martin Township Library will be able to receive a \$1000.00 grant from their Co-op.

**Memorial Park:** None

**Planning Commission:** None



**Roads:** Motion made by Brenner, supported by Sipple, to approve a second layer of Dust Control through Bruce Allen on 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 122<sup>nd</sup> from 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Street. Motion carried unanimously. 3rd, 5<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Street repair should begin at the end of August or early September.

**New Business:**

**ACRC Resolution 2017-08 –**

Motion made by Brenner, supported by Sipple, to put culvert policy back to 50/50 cost share. Roll Call; Leep, Brenner, Sipple, Smit, Tiemeyer, All Ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Ordinance No. 119 -**

Motion made by Brenner, supported by Sipple to amend Martin Township Sewage Disposal System, regarding GLASA to increase rate and user connection fees. Roll Call; Brenner, Sipple, Smit, Tiemeyer, Leep. All Ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Old Business:**

**Cemetery Ordinance # 106 –**

Motion made by Smit. Supported by Sipple, to amend section 14 (a) Notice shall be sent to the Township Clerk by first class mail to the last known address of the last owner of the record informing him/her of the expiration of the 40 year period (amend to 60 year period). Roll Call; Sipple, Smit, Tiemeyer, Leep, Brenner. All Ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

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

**Treasurer Report** - Received as information.

**Board Reports:**

**Supervisor** – Leep – PCI has issues 2 tickets for violations on personal property clean up, and also been in communication with 2 properties having constant garage sales. Latitude Engineering has been recommended for drafting on possibly expanding the Township Hall.

**Clerk** – Smit – will get 3 more fire proof safes for the Storage unit.

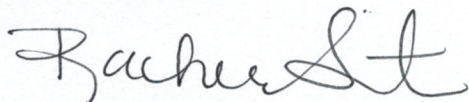
**Treasurer** – Sue – doing away with debit cards and opening credit cards for the Library and Fire Departments.

**Trustee** - Jim -

**Trustee** - Jack –

Motion made by Brenner, supported by Sipple, to adjourn meeting at 9:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Rachelle Smit". The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent loop at the end of the last name.

Rachelle Smit  
Martin Township Clerk