

MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

September 13, 2017

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Tiemeyer, Leep, Brenner, Smit present. Sipple Absent.

Motion made by Brenner, supported by Tiemeyer, to approve August 9, 2017, regular Board meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Don Black, County Commissioner presented a synopsis of county business. Smit will post to website, Don Black's retirement as County Commissioner.

Ambulance: None

Cemetery: Motion made by Brenner, supported by Tiemeyer, to change the process of cemetery Deeds, to purchase agreements per Attorney's recommendation. Motion carried unanimously. Motion made by Brenner, supported by Tiemeyer, to approve new 6x10 trailer for cemetery supplies in the amount of \$2,550.00. Roll Call; Leep, Brenner, Smit, Tiemeyer. All Ayes. Motion carried unanimously. Motion made by Brenner, supported by Tiemeyer, to approve the beginning stage of retaining wall at New East cemetery in the amount of \$4950.00. Roll Call; Brenner, Smit, Tiemeyer, Leep. All Ayes. Motion carried unanimously. Motion made by Brenner, supported by Smit, to approve tulips and daffodils on Old East hillside, not to exceed \$200.00 per Tiemeyer's request. Motion carried unanimously.

Fire: Wykstra presented a request to pay the fire fighters \$17.00 per hour for a mandatory, up to 8 hour class on the new radio system, countywide. Motion made by Leep, supported by Brenner, to approve paying fire fighters for the class. Motion carried unanimously. The department purchased 10 new hoses on trucks that did not pass hose inspection.

Library: Around 120 people showed up for the Library's Solar Eclipse event. They ran out of glasses to such a high turnout.

Memorial Park: None

Planning Commission: None

Roads: A couple complaints on the work done on 5th Street.

New Business:

Resolution 2017-09-

Motion made by Smit, supported by Brenner, to approve resolution 2017-09, joining Wayland Township in a joint Amicus Brief to the Supreme Court in pending lawsuit with Gun Lake Casino. Roll Call; Smit, Tiemeyer, Leep, Brenner. All Ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Re- Adopt Ordinance No. 119 -

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

Michigan Economic Development Corporation –

The Board discussed that this area was not fit for a business attraction site, with the information that was provided.

Old Business: None

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

Motion made by Smit, supported by Tiemeyer, to approve budget per changes. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Report - Received as information.

Board Reports:

Supervisor – Leep has been in contact with PCI regarding some ongoing issues and complaints within the Township. Waiting to hear back on follow up.

Clerk – Smit – Special School Election will be held November 7, 2017 renewal on Operating Millage. Smit appointed new Deputy Clerk, Kara Smit. Beginning to start the annual Audit in September. CDR will issue \$197.50 credit towards dumpster for next year trash day due to shortage on yards per dumpsters provided in May.

Treasurer – Sue – Tiemeyer recommended putting \$250K back into CD'S. South cemetery, southwest corner has trees and brush that should be pushed way back to provide more room for the graves near there. Township Credit Cards came in and replaced the debit cards.

Trustee - Jim - None

Trustee - Jack – None

Motion made by Brenner, supported by Tiemeyer, to adjourn meeting at 8:10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Rachelle Smit
Martin Township Clerk