

# **MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**

## **April 11, 2018**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Leep, Tiemeyer, Schipper, Sipple, Smit, present.

Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Schipper, to approve March 14, 2018, regular Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Township resident, concerned with the non-compliance of property located on 1082 10<sup>th</sup> Street, and where the township stands regarding the issues.

Black, County Commissioner presented a synopsis of county business.

**Ambulance:** Sarah Lynema, presented a synopsis of WAEMS.

**Cemetery:** Quote from Property Revolutions, LLC in the amount of 4,900.00 for material and labor to install the second tier, retaining wall in New East Cemetery. Motion made by Schipper, supported by Sipple, to approve Property Revolutions for retaining wall install. Motion carried unanimously. There will need to be some cleanup work done of scraps, old cement and stumps also. Once the final tier is built, possibly a safety fence with signage along the top tier will need to be addressed when the time comes.

Tiemeyer will meet Sexton at South Cemetery to go over graves along the back side of the cemetery and get grave lots corrected to sell and some existing purchased lots. Sipple will check South Cemetery barrels for cleanup, Sipple also filled holes in driveway.

**Fire:** Chief Wykstra informed the Board that the regional grant that was submitted for new SCBA's was turned down. Some of the air bottles on the department are 3 generations old and are coming up for expiration. Pump was fixed on Engine 12.

**Library:** None

**Memorial Park:** None

**Planning Commission:** Motion made by Smit, supported by Sipple, to approve Mark VanElderen and renew his term (2018-2020). Roll Call, Leep, Schipper, Sipple, Smit, Tiemeyer, all ayes. Motion carried unanimously. Motion made by Sipple, supported by Smit, to approve John Schipper as Martin Township Board representative on the Planning Commission for the term 2018-2020. Roll Call, Sipple, Smit, Tiemeyer, Leep, all ayes. Motion carried unanimously. There is one position to be filled on the Planning Commission. Dekema expressed interest, if we can find someone to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals in place of him. Smit will publish notice.

**Roads:** Motion made by Leep, Supported by Sipple, to approve 2 more additional miles for crack, chip and seal, per road work order. 4<sup>th</sup> Street 118<sup>th</sup>-122<sup>nd</sup> Ave. and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, 118<sup>th</sup> -122<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Motion carried unanimously.

## **New Business:**

**Recycle Contract with Republic Services** – Motion made by Smit, supported by Sipple, to approve 2018 Recycle contract with Republic Service. Motion carried unanimously.

**Lawncare Bid** – Property Revolutions, LLC in the amount of \$16,000.00 for the 2018 season to include – spring and fall cleanup, mowing, trimming, blowing of clippings on drives and sidewalks for all Township properties. Motion made by Sipple, supported by Schipper, to approve Property Revolutions, LLC. Motion carried unanimously.

**Budget Workshop date** – May 30, 2018, 6:00 p.m. Smit will post to website and notify Department heads.

## **Old Business:**

**Township Hall Expansion** – Preliminary site review is in process with TAG.

**Non-Compliance Issue** – Mr. Knight's non-compliance update per PCI report. Mr. Knight has not yet become compliant for the property 1082 10<sup>th</sup> Street. Per Martin Townships Zoning Ordinance of non-compliance and penalty fines, motion made by Smit, supported by Tiemeyer, to approve penalty fine @ \$250.00 per day as of February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018, as well as all fees involved per Attorney and PCI. until Mr. Knight becomes compliant. Roll Call, Smit, Tiemeyer, Leep, Schipper, Sipple, all ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Smit will contact attorney to advise on notification and next step with Mr. Knight. As of March 14, 2018, Martin Township has the authority, per court order to have the structure removed.

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

Motion made by Smit, supported by Tiemeyer, to amend budget per changes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurer Report** – Received for information

## **Board Reports:**

**Supervisor** – Glenn- update on notices sent, compliance issues and complaints on personal property.

**Clerk** – Rachelle – notice that Martin Township will be under review for Assessing requirements from the State Tax Commissioner.

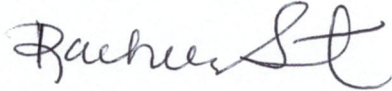
**Treasurer** – Sue – memorial contributions from Brenner is \$1480.00 so far. The Township received \$8420.00 for personal property tax from the State.

**Trustee - John** – suggested if someone would be willing to serve on ZBA, so that Dekema could serve on the Planning Commission. Smit will publish notice for opening position.

**Trustee – Jack** – consumers energy report usage seems to be higher.

Motion made by Sipple, supported by Tiemeyer, to adjourn meeting at 8:51 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rachelle Smit".

Rachelle Smit  
Martin Township Clerk