

MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

June 13, 2018

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

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion made by Sipple, supported by Schipper, to approve May 9, 2018, regular Board meeting minutes and May 30, 2018, Budget Workshop minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2018-08 – Motion made by Smit, supported by Leep, to approve the Resolution to adopt the Township Budget for 2018/2019. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Judge Baillargeon, presented a report on the Courts of Allegan County.

Rick Cain, running for Allegan County, 7th district commissioner, presented an introduction of himself as a prospective candidate.

Public Comment: Marlene Leep expressed concern of strange incidents and would like to request if the township could get police, to be patrolling the area more often.

PCI update- Scharphorn presented an update of the ongoing violations within the township. Mr. Knight has applied and paid for his permit application to have his structure compliant. Scharphorn states his fees and permits are around \$1000.00. Inspections will be done soon and existing plumbing has been removed and PCI will be looking into a few other things that were done previously. Scharphorn also states that the structure can be used as an “accessory” to the sand mine/special use permit, facility.

Court is scheduled for 88 124th Ave. All other violations are progressing as well. Scharphorn said there is a lot of growth they are experiencing and they are looking into hiring 1-2 more people for the zoning side of things, he also expressed that he is here for the township in any capacity needed.

Ambulance: Things are going steady with Wayland Area EMS

Cemetery: Next layer of retaining wall block is at the Cemetery and will be installed soon. Tiemeyer has put all the Cemetery maps in PDF format.

Fire: None

Library: The Summer Reading Program will officially start June 23, 2018.

Memorial Park: None

Planning Commission: Schipper presented an updated on the Master Plan with Main Street Planning and review of general population, social economic characteristics and presented a copy of the demographics on the new Master Plan. Motion made by Schipper,

supported by Leep, to approve the demographics as presented per Main Street Planning. Motion carried unanimously.

Roads: There have been some complaints on no dust control, it has been applied on all gravel now. Some concern that the brine application was too light. Leep will contact ACRC. Leep and Schipper met with Phil from ACRC on traffic runners to see which roads are more used. Also, they discussed about chip and seal, and if the County would allow on specific or certain roads 120th west of 10th Street, to try out on. There are some roads where it could be used.

New Business:

Township Meeting Dates 2018-2019 – Motion made by Smit, supported by Sipple, to approve the second Wednesday of each month for Township Board Meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

Township Attorney – Motion made by Leep, supported by Smit, to approve Bloom, Sluggett PC, as the Township Attorney for 2018/2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Township Auditor – Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Smit, to approve Vredeveld, Heafner LLC, as the Township Auditor for 2018/2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Township Assessor – Motion made by Smit, supported by Tiemeyer, to approve Joshua Simmons as the Township Assessor for 2018/2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Township Bank – Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Sipple to approve United Bank as the Township Bank for 2018/2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Property Tax Penalty & Interest – Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Leep, to approve 1% interest and 3% penalty on late property tax collection. Motion carried unanimously.

Metro Act Right of Way Permit – Motion made by Leep, supported by Sipple to approve the metro act right of way permit extension. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Township Hall Expansion – Plans were distributed to the Board for review and a rough cost estimate on project with the option of phases. The Board has reviewed and discussed some minor changes to the plan and also reviewed the soft numbers and eliminated some materials that were not necessary or too high. Smit will be in contact with Architect for the revisions to be made as well as more price options for material on panels/roofing system and alternate on glass door entry.

Insurance Quote – Ted Heartleb Agency – Smit expressed there will be savings of over \$2000.00, with a broader coverage from the previous carrier. Motion made by Schipper, supported by Sipple to approve Liability Insurance through the Ted Heartleb agency for 2018/2019.

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

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

Treasurer Report – Received for information

Board Reports:

Supervisor – Glenn- complaints of too many parked cars on a property just east of 4th Street and 124th.

Clerk – Rachelle – update on Election training, new equipment and preparing for the August Election.

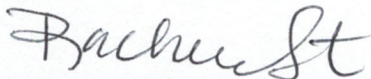
Treasurer – Sue – Deputy will be assisting with updating cemetery records and cleaning them up. Tiemeyer presented a report on fire run and charges of collections of billed runs, things are going well.

Trustee - John – None

Trustee – Jack – concerned with how things are being handles and discussed with PCI and Mr. Knights property.

Motion made by Sipple, supported by Tiemeyer, to adjourn meeting at 9:38 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Rachelle St'.

Rachelle Smit
Martin Township Clerk