

# **MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**

## **April 10, 2019**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Schipper, to approve March 13, 2019, Board meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: None

**Ambulance:** Sarah Lynema presented an update, the WAEMS received a total of 4336 calls last year and 239 calls were from Martin Township. The department is looking at upgrading heart monitors.

**Cemetery:** A revised survey was presented from Jonker Survey for the new piece of property the township is purchasing from Hopkins AG, Center LLC, to expand New East Cemetery. Leep will be getting Title work back from Devon Title for the information needed per recording. The Cemeteries are getting cleaned up nicely and looking good.

**Fire:** Wykstra presented an update on the department. Rep. Mary Whiteford wrote a nice thank you letter to the department on behalf of all their hard work and sacrifice they provide. 56 kindergarteners will be touring the fire station Friday, April 12 and be given a fire safety lesson. May 18<sup>th</sup>, Hidden Ridge will be having a Helo landing training.

**Library:** Kelsey presented an update on Library news and handed out the 100 year celebration brochure to the board members who could not attend. Martin Township Library received one of the "Allegan County Hometown" grants for \$1000. Founders Day will be acknowledging our town for being "founded" in 1839, sometime in July of 2019. Coffee and Canvas was well attended and Book Club is going well also. This month's book author will be at the next meeting. 56 kindergarteners will be touring the Library as well on Friday, April 12.

**Memorial Park:** Leep will be in contact with Kraai, regarding the hydrant installation.

**Planning Commission:** Pete Zeinstra presented an update to the board on the recent Planning Commission Special Meeting. Van Elderen's Special Exemption Use permit application was turned down by a 3-2 vote. Zeinstra also suggest changing our policy to require a Site Plan review to help control buildings being constructed without approval. Zeinstra will do some checking into with PCI and the recent storage structure that was built on Ag land and how we, as a Township can better proceed with these issues in the future. Leep discussed with the board the issues with Nate Knight in violation with the DEQ and the SEU permit with township as not being compliant now, according the specifications required. Leep will follow up with PCI and the action that will need to take place per attorney's recommendation.

**Roads:** The board discussed the possibility of road reconstruction for potential road projects of 122<sup>nd</sup> Ave and 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Motion made by Smit, supported by Tiemeyer, to collect estimates from ACRC for the road reconstruction of 122<sup>nd</sup> Ave. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, East to 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Motion also made by Schipper, supported by Sipple, to collect an estimate on 6<sup>th</sup> Street between 116<sup>th</sup> -114<sup>th</sup> Ave. Motion carried unanimously on both.

### **New Business:**

**2018/2019 Budget Workshop date** – May 29, 2019, 6:00 p.m. Smit will publish and post on website.

**Trash Day / Dumpster quote** – May 18, 2019, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Smit will post on website. Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Schipper, to approve CDR Disposals Services, for 5 – 40 yd dumpsters at \$395.00 a container. Motion carried unanimously. Motion made by Leep, supported by Smit, to approve Martin Resource Center for the recovery scrap metal. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Old Business:**

**Township Hall Expansion** – Site Plan was submitted to PCI and presented to the Village per their approval. PCI recommends site plan approval as presented. The Village passed the Site Plan review. The Village would like to set up a meeting between their engineer, the Township's engineer, architect, Village president and a representative from the Township board to discuss the plan for the water issues and develop a partnership for the solution.

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

**Budget Report** – Smit presented the recommended changes to the budget. Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Smit, to approve the budget amendments as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurer Report** – Received for information

### **Board Reports:**

**Supervisor** – Glenn- PCI update, spring clean-up violation letters sent

**Clerk** – Rachelle – Smit informed the board that she will not be able to attend the May 8 meeting, deputy clerk will attend and record minutes. Smit updated the board of the election changes due to prop 3, also discussed cost reimbursements to the school.

**Treasurer** – Sue – None

**Trustee** - Jack – discussed the blocks being moved at the Cemetery and when would be a good time to take care of them.



**Trustee - John** – will discuss with Phil at the road commission, when they pull in shoulders on the roads, if the county could put any extra dirt in New East Cemetery.

Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Sipple, to adjourn meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Rachelle Smit  
Martin Township Clerk