

# **MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**

## **May 8, 2019**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion made by Schipper, supported by Sipple, to approve April 10, 2019, Board meeting minutes and Election Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Marlene Leep questioned when the Hall expansion project will begin. The Board is waiting for the formal bid to make a decision on the project as a whole.

**Ambulance:** None

**Cemetery:** Final review for the land contract, total purchased price to Hopkins AG Center, LLC for 5.47 Acres in the amount of \$49,230. Martin Township will pay half down and the remaining balance plus 3% interest next fiscal year. There is not a closing date set yet. Motion made by Schipper, supported by Tiemeyer, to approve the land contract. Motion carried unanimously.

**Fire:** Wykstra presented an update on the Department. Chief would like to send two fire fighters to a leadership in Holland. The cost will be \$10 per person and mileage reimbursement. Wykstra would like permission for Gary Brinkhuis and Don Flower to start an Auxiliary for the Department, no cost to the Department, however if 2 fire fighters were to get injured, they would be covered but not limited to Insurance. Schipper suggests more information be provided before the Board approves Auxiliary. Chief will have more information at next meeting. There was also an issue with a fireman regarding a discrepancy with his driving record, that has been resolved and he is listed as a driver on the Departments Insurance policy. Motion made by Schipper, supported by Sipple, to approve new fire applicants Skylar Courtney and Christian Lake. Motion carried unanimously.

**Library:** Kershaw is prepared for the Summer programs to begin and things are running smooth. Bake and Book sale will be June 13-15.

**Memorial Park:** Tiemeyer will remove the build up of mulch and spread new mulch.

**Planning Commission:** There will be a special meeting May 14, 2019 to review a private drive for a new construction house on 8<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Roads:** Motion made by Schipper, supported by Leep, to approve the recommend quote for gravel, from the County, in the amount of \$87,066. Motion carried unanimously. Leep discussed getting an estimate from Jason at ACRC for 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Also, suggests to the Board to review the estimates provided regarding the next road project so a decision can be made at budget time.



## **New Business:**

**Martin Township Insurance Policy**– Dave Bellingar met with Smit and presented an updated and revised Insurance policy for the 2019/2020 year. Per a recent evaluation on the Library the amount of coverage was not sufficient and has increased. Also, there seems to be low values on the Fire department replacement cost for all the trucks. Chief Wykstra will get revised, updated values to reflect appropriate coverage. This will also increase the quote. Per the Boards review all other coverages look good and discussed the value of the Township Hall will increase once the addition is complete.

**Clerk & Deputy wage compensation** – Motion made by Schipper, supported by Tiemeyer, to approve compensation for the School election to pay the Clerk \$100.00 and Deputy Clerk time and a half for the additional hours mandated by the recent passing of proposal 3, for four additional hours on Saturday or Sunday before the Election. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Old Business:**

**Township Hall Expansion** – Question on the parking lot, if the repaving will be partially or complete repaving, is it included on recent bid or will it be an add on? Formal bid presentation will be June 6 to the Township.

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

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

**Treasurer Report** – Will be updated at next meeting

## **Board Reports:**

**Supervisor** – Glenn- Presented an update of notices sent from PCI, Nathan Knight is out of compliance regarding his Special Use Permit. PCI is in communication with the DEQ and move forward in cooperation with them for a resolution. There has been a complaint reported on a pole barn and Cody Visser's property to be cleaned up and an initial warning filed.

**Clerk** – Rachelle - None

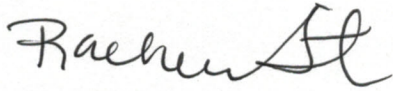
**Treasurer** – Sue –None

**Trustee** - Jack – Will there be any blocks in the cemetery for sale?

**Trustee** - John – None

Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Schipper, to adjourn meeting at 8:00 p.m.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rachelle Smit". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Rachelle Smit  
Martin Township Clerk