

MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

June 12, 2019

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

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion made by Schipper, supported by Sipple, to approve May 8, 2019 and May 29, 2019, Budget workshop meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Schipper, to approve Resolution 2019-08, Roll call vote. Leep, Sipple, Schipper, Smit, Tiemeyer, all ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Leep, supported by Smit, to open the Budget / Truth and Taxation Public Hearing 2019/2020 at 6:37 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Open discussion for Library Budget – motion made by Smit, supported by Leep, to approve the Library budget as presented for fiscal year 2019/2020. Roll call vote. Sipple, Schipper, Smit, Tiemeyer, Leep, all ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Open discussion for the Township General budget, Road and Fire Department budget. Motion made by Smit, supported by Sipple, to approve the Townships General, Road and Fire Department budget for fiscal year 2019/2020 with Headlee maximum amount for Martin Townships following millage's:

Operating millage at 0.8623 for a gain of 0.1158 and a total revenue gain of 10,907. Road Improvement millage at 3.9992 for a gain of 0.5370 and a total revenue gain of 50,581. Fire millage at 0.9994, for a gain of 0.1342 and a total revenue gain of 12,641. Fire equipment millage at 0.7498, for a gain of 0.1007 and a total revenue gain of 9,485. Total revenue gain of 83,614. Roll call vote. Schipper, Smit, Tiemeyer, Leep, Sipple, all ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Leep, supported by Sipple, to close the annual budget, Truth and Taxation public hearing at 6:42 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment – None

Rick Cain – County commissioner, Cain presented an update of county business

Ambulance: Sarah presented an update, WAEMS appointed a new chairman in March. Things are going well.

Planning Commission: Motion made by Leep, supported by Schipper, to approve to rezone from C2 to C1 per recommendation from the planning commission special meeting application from the Hoard/Coburn property and approve Ordinance 127 to amend the Zoning Ordinance in relation to the application presented. Roll call vote. Smit, Schipper, Tiemeyer, Leep, Sipple, all ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Cemetery: Leep presented an update on the cemetery. County has been pulling in shoulders and putting the extra material in New East to level out the hill where the expansion will be. Motion made by Leep, supported by Sipple, to contact Waanders for two loads of gravel to build up the south drive in New East, Motion carried unanimously.

Fire: Wykstra presented an update on the department. The department is still waiting on word for the grant regarding SCBA packs. Wykstra provided quotes to the board for their review on payment options if the grant does not go through. Smit will contact HelpNet to start the plan for fiscal year 2019/2020. Motion made by Leep, supported by Smit, to use the memorial money on behalf of Jim Brenner for a Plaque and some tools that the department has chosen. Motion carried unanimously.

Library: Kelsey presented an update on Library news. The Friends are preparing for the book and bake sale. The friends have been generous with helping pay for extra Summer Reading Program expenses. Kelsey thanked the board for approving the Library budget.

Memorial Park: None

Roads: Schipper presented a traffic count of the roads that the Township is considering for the next road project. Dust control has been applied, still waiting for the calcium chloride to be applied on specific roads. Schipper suggests having traffic count on a couple streets on the south side of the township.

New Business:

Township Meeting Dates for 2019/2020 – Motion made by Smit, supported by Leep, to approve meeting on the second Wednesday of each month. Motion carried unanimously.

Township Attorney – Motion made by Smit, supported by Leep, to approve Bloom, Sluggett PC as the Townships attorney. Motion carried unanimously.

Township Auditor – Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Smit, to approve Vredeveld, Haefner LLC as the Townships auditor. Motion carried unanimously,

Township Assessor – Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Smit, to approve Krista Simmons as the Townships assessor. Motion carried unanimously.

Township Bank – Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Schipper, to approve United Bank as the Townships Bank. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2019-09 – Motion made by Leep, supported by Sipple, to approve the resolution for partial termination of PA116 for William Hildebrand.

Old Business:

Township Hall Expansion – Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Schipper, to approve to move forward with the Township Hall project for office space and alternate # 2 of proposal with FCC construction. Roll call vote. Tiemeyer, Leep, Sipple, Schipper, Smit, all ayes. Motion carried unanimously. Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by

Smit, to approve financing the project through United Bank, up to 250K with an interest rate at 2.85%. Roll call vote. Leep, Sipple, Schipper, Smit, Tiemeyer, all ayes. Motion carried unanimously. Tiemeyer will be in contact with United Bank to get financing started.

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

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

Treasurer Report – Received for information.

PCI Report – Lori from PCI presented the Board an update with non-compliance issues that is going on in the Township. Lori also informed the Board that they could be more involved in meeting notices, review and publishing of Ordinance as another level of enforcing proper regulations. They are willing to provide services to the Township in whatever capacity is most helpful. The Board agreed to have PCI be more involved in assisting code enforcing, etc.

Board Reports:

Supervisor – Glenn- Trash day went well. Clipper Café provided lunch to all those who help, it was much appreciated. As well as thanks to the junior high youth group from EMCRC, who participated with cleaning up graffiti under the highway at 120th.

Clerk – Rachelle – Presented the Board with information on a server for the Fire department and Township computers. Motion made by Smit, supported by Schipper, to approve researching for the most fitting company and equipment for providing a server. Motion carried unanimously.

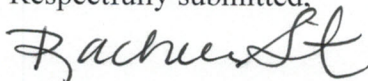
Treasurer – Sue – Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Sipple, to approve 1% interest and 3% penalty for late property tax collection. Motion carried unanimously.

Trustee - Jack – None

Trustee - John – recycle information and review the survey form the County. Schipper asked the Board to consider wording for plaque in memory of Jim Brenner. He will talk with Vandenberg and the Department on any input on their behalf as well.

Motion made by Smit, supported by Leep, to adjourn meeting at 10:02 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Rachelle Smit
Martin Township Clerk