

# **MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**

## **July 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 June 12<sup>th</sup> regular meeting with correction, June 25<sup>th</sup> and July 2<sup>nd</sup> Special meetings minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: none

Rick Cain, County Commissioner, presented a synopsis of county business.

**Ambulance:** None

**Cemetery:** Tiemeyer informed the Board of an issues with a headstone that is not placed in the correct spot which also has a boarder around the stone that makes it even more out of place. The Board discussed that it should be taken care of and corrected. Tiemeyer will contact the Sexton to have the headstone moved to the correct location to prevent further issues with grave plots. Tiemeyer will also contact the family to inform them of the problem. The Board discussed having parameters for landscaping, boarders, etc. around a grave plot. Tiemeyer will check the Ordinance and find out if any specifications are listed and get back to the board for further review.

**Fire:** Wykstra updated the Board on the Department. FEMA representative stated that nothing has been done regarding the grant or any decisions made for the SBCA packs. The Department packs will expire in August of 2019. Chief Wykstra presented the Board with the items that were purchased on behalf of Jim Brenner's memorial contributions. Smit will post on the website for the public to be informed as well. Wykstra will be in contact with Bob Hess regarding moving the ambulance out of the fire station while the Township Hall is under construction.

**Library:** Kelsey presented an update of the Library news. They are preparing for Founders Day Celebration on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup>. The summer reading program is going well.

**Memorial Park:** None

**Planning Commission:** The next meeting coming up will be a special meeting July 16<sup>th</sup>, for DeManns private drive and July 23<sup>rd</sup> regarding Knights Special Use Permit.

**Roads:** 2 surveys were presented on traffic counts from the Allegan County Road Commission. The Board reviewed and discussed which roads should be considered for the next road project. Motion made by Sipple, supported by Schipper, to approve a work order in place for the reconstruction to all-season standards on 122<sup>nd</sup> Ave, 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Motion carried unanimously. Leep will contact the Road Commission and also

seek an estimate for 6<sup>th</sup> Street 114<sup>th</sup>-112<sup>th</sup>, for reconstruction. The board would like to consider 6<sup>th</sup> Street project after 122<sup>nd</sup> Ave. reconstruction project.

**New Business:**

**Recycling surcharge rate increase - PGU survey** – The board discussed the recycling survey from the County and filled out. Tiemeyer will submit to Allegan County per their request.

**Fireworks application for 131 Motorsports Park for August 10<sup>th</sup>** - Motion made by Leep, supported by Smit, to approve the fireworks application and permit for the Motorsports Park fireworks display for August 10<sup>th</sup> 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

**Old Business:**

**Township Hall Expansion –**

**Payment of Bills** – Motion made by Schipper, supported by Leep, to approve the payment of bills as presented.

**Budget report** – Motion made by Smit, supported by Schipper, to approve the budget changes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurer Report** – Received for information

**Board Reports:**

**Supervisor** – Glenn- complaints received on roads regarding dust control.

**Clerk** – Rachelle – None

**Treasurer** – Sue – Rhonda from United Bank informed Tiemeyer of a security issue at the bank and wanted to make the board aware of it, it did not impact the Township however, they will be making appropriate steps to increase the security level. Financing for the hall project is all set with the line of credit approved, for up to 250K. The bank will need 1 day of notice for the release of funds.

**Trustee** - Jack - None

**Trustee** - John – None

Motion made by Sipple, supported by Tiemeyer, to adjourn meeting at 8:10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Rachelle Smit  
Martin Township Clerk