

MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
March 4, 2020

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

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion made by Sipple, supported by Tiemeyer, to approve February 12, 2020, regular board meeting minutes, with correction and the Election Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Welcome Guests

Public Comment: None

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

Ambulance: None

Cemetery: Schipper informed the board that Cripps has a little earth moving work to do yet, and it is expected to be under budget.

Fire: Overhead door bid from the old bay was presented for open bids. We received one bid from Chief Kurt Knight. Leep presented the board with the sealed bid for the door in the amount of \$500. Motion made by Leep, supported by Schipper, to approve Knight for the overhead door purchase in the amount of \$500.00. Motion carried unanimously. Motion made by Smit, supported by Schipper, to approve Knight Custom builders to build desk unit in the new fire Chief's office for the cost of materials only and for the furniture cost to come out of the Capital Outlay in the Fire Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Library: Kelsey presented an update of the Library news to the board. Abbie LaFontaine has put her resignation letter in, she will remain as the assistance until a new aid replacement has been found. The Library thanked the board for clearing the storage room out to make room for them.

Memorial Park: None

Planning Commission: March 3 the planning Commission had a meeting and discussed the gravel mining ordinance with compiling any changes to amend it. Another concern came up when permits are being issued, how do they truly know if it is agriculture? PCI will discuss with attorney on specifics for requirements by proving a schedule F or other documents qualifying.

Roads: Schipper met with Phil from Allegan County Road Commission to discuss projects coming up within Martin Township and they feel everything looks good for the timeline of projected work orders.

New Business:

Mowing bid post notice – Clerk Smit will post a mowing bid in the Allegan News for the 2020 contracted season. Smit will also email a list of the responsibilities to be revised for this coming bid process.

Resolution 2020-03 – Motion made by Leep, supported by Smit, to adopt resolution 2020-03 waiving penalty fees and interest for failure to file a property transfer affidavit. Roll Call - Leep, Sipple, Schipper, Smit and Tiemeyer. All Ayes, motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2020-04 – Motion made by Leep, supported by Tiemeyer, to adopt resolution 2020-04 for the 2020 poverty income guidelines. Roll Call – Sipple, Schipper, Smit, Tiemeyer and Leep. All Ayes, motion carried unanimously.

Charter Communications – Motion made Tiemeyer, supported by Sipple, to approve the Charter Spectrum Franchise agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Township Hall Expansion – Motion made by Schipper, supported by Smit, to approve the 7th draw request in the amount of \$146,895.81 to FCC Construction, contingent on the Architects clearing for the work completed. Motion carried unanimously.

Payment of Bills – Motion made by Leep, supported by Smit, to approve the payment of bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Treasurer Report – None

Board Reports:

Supervisor – Glenn – complaint regarding tires being dumped along 122nd Ave.

Clerk – Rachelle – website meeting with Pixlevine report of revamping the whole website. Motion made by Smit, supported by Leep, to purchase a back up battery for the server in the amount of 1426.00. Motion carried unanimously. Smit brought up an open house date for the Hall expansion project. The board discussed having it coincide with the Memorial Day festivities, the Hall could have an open house time prior to the town parade. The board will confirm with the Village and post information on the township website.

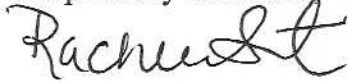
Treasurer – Sue – Property on 112th is in for closure, PCI is involved with settlement with the bank for violations. The money from expired CD's were rolled into 1 CD for 500,000 and another for 200,000.

Trustee - Jack – None

Trustee - John – None

Motion made by Leep, supported by Sipple, to adjourn meeting at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted

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

Rachelle Smit

Martin Township Clerk