MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING May 13, 2020

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

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Schipper, to approve May 5th Special meeting and May 13th, regular board meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Welcome Guests

Public Comment: None

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

Ambulance: None

Cemetery: Leep has not yet met with the Sexton to discuss extra maintenance, tabled for now. The Township will pay \$7300 towards to bill to Cripp Fountain for excavation work done to the new part of the Cemetery. The remainder \$10,457.00 will be paid in July. The Board discussed where the topsoil will be delivered and a load of gravel to continue building up the drive in Old East.

Fire: Chief Knight the Board with 4 cadet applicants and 1 fire fighter applicant for the department to hire. The department is down to 17 fire fighters serving. Motion made by Leep, supported by Tiemeyer, to approve the applicants as presented. The Fire Department received a grant in the amount of \$5,000 form CHS for the purpose of grain bin rescue equipment. Chief Knight also informed the Board of the Watson Township meeting in which they are discussing dropping Martin Township's fire agreement and going with solely Hopkins Fire Department to support their Township. Currently Watson pays \$15,000 to Martin Township to help support for Fire. Watson has decided to table their decision for now.

Library: Emailed report from Kelsey on Library business was received for information.

Memorial Park: Tiemeyer talked with Zeinstra's greenhouses about holding a pink crabapple tree for the Memorial Park.

Planning Commission: Next meeting will be June 2, 2020.

Roads: Leep will follow up with the County on Dust Control application.

New Business:

Trash Day – Trash Day will be held in the Library parking lot on May 23rd. form 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. CDR will provide 5 40-yard dumpsters in the amount of \$395.00 per container.

Old Business:

Township Hall Expansion – A final walk through is set up for May 15^{th} at 9:00 a.m. Leep will attend.

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

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

Treasurer Report - Received for information.

Board Reports:

Supervisor – Glenn – Discussed the lot, North on 10th Street. The County owns the property and it has recently been listed for sale. The trailer is in process to be removed from the property. Cain stated that he will check with the County on the status.

Clerk – Rachelle – Smit presented a quote from Clark Technical Services for a computer upgrade in the amount of \$2154.00 for a dual monitor and laptop docking station. Motion made by Tiemeyer, supported by Sipple, to approve the upgrade system. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer - Sue - None

Trustee - Jack – stated that the Zoning Board of Appeals will be meeting, May 14th at 10:00 a.m. for a variance on Gun Lake. Sipple also discussed with the Board 4th Street East of 122nd Av., a primary road. The Township should be talking with the County to get on the schedule for road work.

Trustee - John - Schipper discussed numbers to be put together as the Township Hall expansion project is wrapping up.

Motion made by Schipper, supported by Leep, to adjourn meeting at 7:50 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachelle Smit

Martin Township Clerk