MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING March 10, 2021

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

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion made by Sipple, supported by Tiemeyer, to approve the February 10 & 16, 2021 regular and special board meeting minutes.

Welcome Guests:

County Commissioner - Cain presented an update regarding County business.

Ambulance: None

Fire: Assistant Chief, VanPutten presented an update of the Fire Department business. Motion made by Leep, supported by Smit, to approve Brandon Hooker as a new fire fighter for the department. Motion carried unanimously.

Library: Kelsey updated the Board with Library business, the sub finance committee met and is preparing for the budget meeting.

Cemetery: Simpson has had 3 burials in the last three weeks. There are a few headstones that have slid off the foundations that will need to be repaired. Simpson stated that he will be clearing some small trees and cleaning up the cemetery grounds as the weather is getting better. Tiemeyer states that some residents inquired graves in the back area of the south Cemetery. The Board discussed ordering more markers for additional sections at budget time in order to begin pinning plots to sell. Tiemeyer presented to the Board of some concern regarding the snow removal to open the cemetery for a burial. There was a lot of sod torn up and millings spread around. Leep will discuss with Mr. Thomas on cleaning up the areas where it is torn up prior to payment being issued.

Memorial Park: Closed up for winter

Planning Commission: Schipper presented an update of the planning commission meeting held on March 2, 2021. The Planning Commission approved the site plan presented for L & L Materials. The Board also reviewed the proposed sand and gravel ordinance and will be adding some revisions to it.

Roads: Leep will be in contact with Craig at the ACRC regarding a work order for reconstruction on 122nd Ave., 10th -7th Street, possibly to 6th.

New Business:

Dust Control Work Order – Motion made by Leep, supported by Schipper, to approve the dust control work order. Motion carried unanimously.

Gravel Work Order – Motion made by Leep, supported by Schipper, to approve the gravel work order. Motion carried unanimously.

Mowing Bid - Smit will publish a mowing bid notice in the Allegan News

Consumers Energy Survey- Leep completed

Old Business: None

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 my Smit, supported by Leep, to approve the budget amendments as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Report - Received for information.

Board Reports:

Supervisor – Glenn – Village Mayor, Brinkhuis and Leep met with an engineer to discuss an expansion in Dover Farms.

Clerk – Rachelle – Smit informed the Board that she will be appointing Denise Dykstra as the new Deputy Clerk.

Treasurer – Sue – Tiemeyer states that the tax settlement is done and the Township is all balanced.

Trustee - Jack - None

Trustee - John – Discussed with the Board that there is playground equipment, etc. for sale on the property along 131 and the vegetable stand. The Township should be in contact with PCI regarding the business approval.

Motion made by Leep, supported by Tiemeyer, to adjourn meeting at 8:13 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachelle Smit

Martin Township Clerk