

# MARTIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

April 14, 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 Leep, supported by Schipper, to approve the March 10, 2021 regular board meeting minutes.

Welcome Guests:

Scott Beltman presented the ORV draft ordinance for the township to the review and to discuss if the Township has any questions regarding the ordinance. There will be an upcoming public hearing via Allegan County regarding the proposed ordinance as well.

County Commissioner – Cain presented an update regarding County business.

**Ambulance:** Sarah Lynema presented an update on the WAEMS business.

**Fire:** Chief Knight presented an update of the Fire Department. Calls are still up. One firefighter may be resigning due to moving out of the district.

**Library:** None

**Cemetery:** Mark Simpson, the Township Sexton reported he has installed 11 footings in the last two weeks. There are two large old foundations that need to come out because they are not in line with the others. Mark discussed that Jesse Simpson is willing to remove them next time he is in the cemetery with his equipment for a full burial. The Board discussed and has decided to have Tiemeyer contact the monument company to have them remove the old foundations while they are there to set new stones. Tiemeyer will also contact the Funeral homes to go over payment procedures, specifically relating to cremation burials for those who don't bury the remains right away in order for the Township to have proper records of cremation burials.

**Memorial Park:** None

**Planning Commission:** Pete Zeinstra presented an update to the Board of the Sand and Gravel revising Ordinance.

**Roads:** Motion made by Schipper, supported by Tiemeyer, to approve the work order to resurface 120<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Street and 6<sup>th</sup> Street, 119<sup>th</sup>-120<sup>th</sup> Ave. Motion carried unanimously. Leep discussed the recommendation from the Allegan County Road Commission to fix 6<sup>th</sup> Street and 122<sup>nd</sup> Ave where it holds water, when the reconstruction process begins on 122<sup>nd</sup> Ave. ACRC is still waiting on preliminary permits for the reconstruction process to begin on 122<sup>nd</sup> Ave. EAGLE has authorized a 64' culvert for the project and has notified the Township.

## **New Business:**

**Mowing Bids** – The Township received 1 quote for lawn care and maintenance. Motion made by Leep, supported by Schipper, to approve Property Revolutions, LLC for the lawn care and maintenance in the amount of \$16,830.00 for the 2021 season. Motion carried unanimously.

**FCC Bill for Village Portion of curb expense** – Clerk Smit presented the Board with the breakdown from FCC for the cost incurred to demo, reconstruct and pour the curb along with the general contract fee for that portion of the project. Brinkhuis attended the meeting and reviewed but wanted to discuss further with Brock at FCC some of the costs relating to the curb. Brinkhuis will present to the Village Board also and get back with the Township.

**West Michigan Regional Planning Commission** – The Board reviewed the WMRPC grant submission form and felt that Martin Township should submit a project submission form for road projects within the Township. Smit will send in.

**GLASA**– Leep presented the Board with a request from the Gun Lake Sewer Authority for \$100.00 annually from Martin Township for bouy placements in Gun Lake. They are seeking contributions from all the neighboring townships. Motion made by Leep, supported by Sipple, to approve \$100.00 annually to help with the bouy costs. Motion carried unanimously.

**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** – Received for information.

**Treasurer Report** – Received for information.

## **Board Reports:**

**Supervisor** – Glenn – Leep asked Clerk Smit if there is any further updates or progress with Election machines. Smit stated there is nothing ongoing for Allegan County regarding machine analysis.

**Clerk** – Rachelle – Smit will post on the website Trash Day for May 22, 2021 at Martin Library from 9am-2pm. Smit discussed with the Board a budget workshop date for May 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**Treasurer** – Sue – None

**Trustee** - Jack – Sipple discussed a pole barn that is constructed on a property without a home on the premises.

**Trustee** - John – None

Motion made by Schipper, supported by Tiemeyer, to adjourn meeting at 8:17 p.m.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rachelle Smit".

Rachelle Smit  
Martin Township Clerk