

Martin Township Board Meeting

September 8, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Attendance: Dave Young, Fire Department (Kurt Knight) and Cemetery (Mark)

Approve Minutes with misspelling on page two of previous minutes corrected.

Leep Welcomes

Ambulance : no report

Fire : Has been busy with fire calls. Allegan County Fair parade coming up. Discussion on what to do for Halloween and decision will be made soon. Continuing plans to have training at the township, need to have a white board installed.

Cemetery : The storms have done no damage to the cemetery, three burials, Old East will soon be getting some fixing up, a ground bee nest was found at the cemetery near the Westendorp lot and discussion on what to do with that. Tiemeyer mentioned that lots were returned (James Shook) and that has never happened before.

Memorial Park : Plum tree is sick, there is a fungus on it so there was discussion on what to do next with that. Tiemeyer would like to plant tulips along the walk way. \$500 was given to Tiemeyer from Capital (Hall) Outlay to plant tulips and care for plum tree. Smit motioned, Leep supported, motion carries.

Planning Commission: Next meeting will be September 14, 2021.

Roads : Reconstruction will begin on 122nd Street. Schipper motioned to get a cost on 6th Street 116th - 112th quote per mile and Patterson from 2nd-4th Street Leep supported, motion carries unanimously.

Library : Everything is great. Summer Reading Program had a little more attendance. Director Alicia Kershaw is working with teacher (Nicely-Gott) at school to have students visit the library. Teens are a small group, will be putting time capsule back in the ground after having a tree damage the previous time capsule. Debbie Gossman was hired at library and has hit the ground running.

Old Business : discussed FEMA flood zone participation. Smit will contact attorney to confirm townships response deadline.

Payment of Bills : Mention of how wonderful the Lucas Device has been already. Smit motioned to pass payment of bills, Schipper seconds, motion carries. Moved from savings to cover Lucas Device, Leep motioned, motion carries to cover \$3,633.60 needed for Lucas Device.

Budget : Received for information

Treasurer Report : Received for information.

Board Reports:

Leep – states it's been pretty quiet.

Smit – Judge ruled marijuana petition can not be on the November election and dismissed it.
Audit went great and should be wrapped up next week.

Tiemeyer – Road's check was paid to Village. Village found original Roads Agreement which was agreed upon in 1976. Township now has this agreement as well as our Auditor.

Sipple – mentioned price increase of blocks.

Schipper – none

Leep motioned close of meeting at 7:40 pm. Sipple seconds. Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Denise Dykstra". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Denise Dykstra

Martin Township Deputy Clerk