Martin Township Board Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2022

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call - all present: Leep, Sipple, Schipper, Tiemeyer, Smit

Approve Minutes – noted making two adjustments (misspelling, clarity). Leep motioned, Smit supports, motion carries.

Welcome Guests: Alice Kelsey, Sarah Lynema, David Young, Kurt Knight, Mark Simpson

Public Comment - none

Department Reports

Ambulance - Sarah Lynema gave updates of the Wayland EMS. Mentioned Martin will be contributing \$13,857.37

Fire – Chief Kurt Knight was present to inform board of fire department updates: Call volume is currently down compared to past years; 51 calls of department as of meeting day; MFR Program went live April 1st and so far have run six medical calls; 12-12 is in service, a couple of needed fixes will be done by Spencer in the next month; officers meeting scheduled for upcoming budget planning, key points will be department wide PPE purchase for boots and helmets, training and equipment funding to complete the Ag Rescue Response Plans and tire replacement on 1246 tanker; Dept of AG has been upgrading equipment for the CAFS Trailer in preparation for the Avian Flu expected to impact the state's poultry industry; building maintenance points to keep on the radar are mini split for officers office, floor repairs and signage. Motion was made to purchase metal signage for building with AARPA funds by Tiemeyer, Smit supported, motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Schipper to have mini split needed to be purchased with AARPA funds, Smit supported, motion carried unanimously.

Library – Alice Kelsey, library board member, gave updates of J.C. Wheeler Library. Summer Reading Program planning going well, donations are coming in slow, Spring Break sign-up for Summer Reading Program went very well.

Cemetery – Mark Simpson, Sexton, gave updates of cemetery. Asked to be put on payroll and received a W2 instead of a 10-99. Smit motioned to add Sexton to payroll, Tiemeyer supports, motion carries unanimously.

Planning Commission – information given that June meeting is scheduled and training is available for members but not mandatory.

Roads – Only one proposal was given for Dust Control. Board motioned to for one application of dust control from proposed company. Smit motioned, Schipper supported, motion carries unanimously.

Railroad - email was received work will begin on railroad crossing at 122nd.

New Business

Mowing bid – One mowing bid was submitted to mow township properties for \$24,000. Schipper motioned to approve, Leep supported, motion carries unanimously.

Security Camera Quote - received for information

EMC Insurance Renewal – statement of value. Mention of how helpful EMC has been to work with in the past year. Smit motioned to approve statement of value, Tiemeyer supported, motion carries unanimously.

Old Business

Fire Millage Wording – Schipper motioned to approve current wording be sent to lawyer. Smit supported. Motion carries unanimously.

Approve payment of bills – Schipper motioned, Tiemeyer supported, motion carries unanimously.

Budget – Smit motioned to approve changes as discussed in budget, Tiemeyer supported, motion carries unanimously.

Treasures Report - no significant changes. Report received for information.

Board Reports

Supervisor Glenn Leep – ready for trash day on May 21. On top of the water over road on Patterson, not getting too far with road commission.

Clerk Rachelle Smit – trash day is May 21st. Budget workshop is May 25 at 6pm, mention of Allegan Search and Rescue fundraiser which will be a Pony Express through the village June 11, 2022.

Treasurer Sue Tiemeyer - nothing to report

Trustee Jack Sipple - nothing to report

Trustee John Schipper – received some information on bike trail. Asked Deputy Clerk Dykstra to reach out to Village for use of tractor during Trash Day.

Motion to adjourn by Leep, supported by Sipple.

Adjournment at 8:03pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Dykstra