Martiny Township Regular Meeting Minutes December 20, 2022

6:30 pm

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by supervisor Barb Hampel

Pledge:

The Pledge Allegiance to the American Flag recited by all present.

Roll Call:

Present: Barb Hampel, Connie Grant, Lois Schmidt, Cindy Lattimore, Bill Schoner

Guests: Jeri Strong

Minutes:

Motion Cindy/Bill to accept minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 15, 2022 as presented. Verbal Vote 5 yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None

Treasurer Report:

Expenditures \$ 36,380.18 Revenues \$ 33,629.29

Balance -General Fund \$ 225,042.23 November 30, 2022

Motion Connie/Cindy to accept treasurer report and place on file.

Verbal vote 5 yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Budget Amendment:

Resolution Cindy/Connie to move \$10,420.00 from contingency line item and add \$420.00 to Township Board-Printing &Publishing line item, \$5,000 to Cemetery line item and \$5000 to Town Hall line item. Roll call vote 5 yes. 0 No. Resolution carried.

Bills

Resolution Cindy/Lois to pay bills check numbers 13656-13679 with the addition of the invoice from Shumaker Technology Group for \$550. for a grand total of \$38, 958.48.

Roll call vote 5 yes. 0 No. Resolution carried.

Unfinished business

Resolution Bill/Lois to accept the snowplowing contract for 2022-23 as written with Brian Sutton and the lawn mowing contract with Calvin Zimmerman after adding to the contract that he may negotiate for an increase if gasoline prices increase substantially.

Roll call vote 5 yes. 0 No. Resolution carried.

After consulting with the township attorney regarding the property at Jehnsen Lake it was determined that no action by the board is necessary.

New business

Resolution Cindy/Connie to appropriate \$50 for 2023 Board of Review training. All current Board of Review members, Jeanette Adams, Mike Munsell, Bruce Cummings and Linda Randall, have agreed to remain and will be sworn in for a two year term in January.

Roll call vote 5 yes. 0 No. Resolution carried.

The Mecosta County Road Commission is asking for township road repair requests by March 2023.

Should there be a need to store a casket over the winter for a spring burial in the township cemetery there is a secure area in the pavilion that can be used.

Resolution Cindy/Bill to make Martiny Township's half of the first payment for the new Chippewa/Martiny Fire Department fire truck of \$88,905.75 from ARPA funds currently on deposit with Horizon Bank. Payment will be made once the truck contract is amended to include the Title VI language as required for use of the ARPA funds. As recommended by the township CPA, the treasurer will transfer funds from Horizon Bank to the township general account and a check will be written to the Chippewa/Martiny Fire Department who will then forward payment to Spencer Manufacturing.

Roll call vote 5 yes. 0 No. Resolution carried.

Resolution Cindy/Connie to create a budget revenue line item and expense line item with the direction of the CPA for the ARPA funds and associated expenses.

Roll call vote 5 yes. 0 No. Resolution carried.

County Commissioner

There have been 601 EMS runs so far in December with 4 trucks on the road. There is a need for more EMS personnel. The Sherriff dept will be outsourcing security staff to free up patrol staff.

The new budget was approved, and 4 of 5 unions have approved contracts. A new ambulance is on order but there is a long lead time. There are two new county commissioners. The battery plant project in Big Rapids has some issues to work out but hopes to start development by spring.

Public Comments:

None

The CMFD board meeting is Monday, January 9, 2023 6:30 pm
The MCTA meeting is January 23, 2023 at Chippewa Township- Potluck at 6:00 pm, Meeting at 7:00 pm.

Motion Connie/Cindy to adjourn. 8:04 pm. Verbal vote. 5 yes. 0 no. Motion carried.

Submitted By, Connie Grant, Clerk