

Martiny Township  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
March 21, 2023  
6:30 P.M.

**Call to Order:**

Meeting called to order by supervisor Barb Hampel

**Pledge:**

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

**Roll Call:**

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

Guests: Ruth Chapman, Jeri Strong, Mike Munsell, Mary Munsell

**Public Comments**

Mike Munsell presented a packet of information regarding the Canada Goose issue at Horsehead Lake. As this topic is on the meeting agenda Mike will discuss his findings at that point.

**Minutes:**

Motion Bill/Cindy to accept minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 21, 2023 as presented.

Verbal Vote 5 yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

**Treasurer Report:**

Expenditures	\$	19,231.43	
Revenues	\$	2,238.42	
Balance -General Fund	\$	198,934.93	February 28, 2023

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

Verbal vote 5 yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

**Bills**

Resolution **Cindy/Lois** to pay bills check numbers 13722-13744 totaling \$10,853.67.

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

**Unfinished business**

Resolution **Connie/Cindy** to approve gravel placement on 60th Ave from 13 Mile Road to Roosevelt Road, west side of road as a joint project with Sheridan Township, (east side of the road). Project cost estimate of \$38,425.10 will be split equally between both townships. Sheridan Township must commit to the project by resolution to proceed.

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

Resolution **Cindy/Bill** to approve gravel placement on 75th Ave from 14 Mile Road to Taft Road.

Cost estimate is \$36,842.40.

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

Motion **Cindy/Lois** to request quotes from the Mecosta County Road Commission for drain repair at Lynnwood Lane.

Verbal vote. 5 yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Resolution **Cindy/Lois** to accept and sign the contract with Precise Tax Assessment LLC to have Brad White digitize the township assessment records.

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

Resolution **Cindy/Connie** to enter into the contract with the Morton Township Library in support of the library's E-Book Collection for a sum of \$1,000.00. The contract will run from April 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024.

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

### **New business**

The Board of review was held on March 13 and 14, 2023. The board received 7 appeals, 4 in person and 3 in writing. Twelve (12) complete veteran's exemptions were received one veteran exemption was received incomplete and will be considered in July. No poverty exemptions were filed. The board completed answers to all appeals and they will be mailed soon.

Mike Munsell shared that the Horsehead Lake Association has contacted lake property owners regarding Canada Goose nest destruction in an effort to reduce the goose population on the lake. It appears that most responses to nest destruction were positive. The HHL Association is requesting a resolution by the Martiny Township Board as required to proceed.

Resolution **Connie/Cindy** to formally request assistance from the Michigan DNR on behalf of the requests made in Martiny Township by the Horsehead Lake Association in the implementation of the Canada Goose Nest and Egg Destruction Program. There is no cost to the Township for this program. A full copy of the signed resolution is included with these meeting minutes.

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

Resolution **Cindy/Bill** to renew the contract with Savin Lake Services for weed control services on Pretty Lake for a period of Five (5) years, 2023 to 2027.

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

Resolution **Lois/Connie** to approve the agreement for purchase of Spongy Moth Aerial Services between the township and Aura LLC for Spongy Moth control on Pretty Lake. A full copy of the signed resolution is included with these meeting minutes.

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

No new information was available regarding the Sexton Contract.

### **County Commissioner**

The Sherriff department purchased two new vehicles. EMS had 591 runs in February and 3 of 4 emergency responders have passed national registry certification. There was an error on the bid paperwork for the new ambulance chassis. It will be resubmitted. Purchasing AED equipment for first responders and the road commission with marijuana funds is being considered. There is \$881,000 in marijuana funds available. Requests for funds need to be submitted by the end of May 2023. Changes to the Rodgers dam are being considered. Mecosta County Building and Zoning Department have hired all new staff.

A list of 2023 road projects was shared with the board.

Motion **Connie/Bill** to adjourn. 7:50 pm.

Verbal vote. 5 yes. 0 no. Motion carried.

Submitted By,  
Connie Grant, Clerk