

Martiny Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 18, 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, Vickie Youngs, Reo Youngs, Richard Nichols, Judy Morris, John Tipton
Jeri Strong (at 6:60 pm)

Public Comments

Mr. and Mrs. Youngs requested the original copy of the signed documents for the property split approved at the last meeting for Ferguson Park. Mr. Nichols the second party involved with the property split at Ferguson Park inquired as to how far back records are available for Ferguson Park as he is in possession of many old documents.

Mr. Tipton requested that signs be placed at the pretty Lake Public Access requiring dogs to be leashed. He referenced the current state law that requires this. (MCL 287.262).

Resolution Cindy\Lois to appropriate up to \$100 for the purchase of two signs requiring dogs to be leashed. Mr. Tipton will place one at the Pretty Lake public access.

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

Minutes:

Motion Lois\bill to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of June 20, 2023 and the special meeting of June 29, 2023 as written and place on file.

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

Treasurer Report:

Expenditures	\$	12,390.15	
Revenues	\$	6,763.81	
Balance -General Fund	\$	203,306.47	June 30, 2023

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

Verbal vote 5 yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Bills

Resolution Connie\Cindy to move \$300 from Contingency line item to Township Board Insurance line item.

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

Resolution **Cindy/Lois** to pay bills check numbers 13808-13826 plus EFT to the St of Michigan with the addition of checks to: Blantek, Mica Myers, Precise Tax Assessment, BS&A Software and Board of Review members totaling 20,059.14

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

Old business

Regarding Lynwood Lane, Trustee Bill Schoner reported that the Chippewa\Martiny Fire Department successfully flushed water from the road to the lake through the drainage tube at Lynwood Lane. They were unable to flush the tube under the road as access to the catch basin is blocked by a mesh screen, rocks and other debris. Mr. McKay, a resident at the site, has offered to help clean out the catch basin and contact his brother who has experience in this type of work and has access to equipment. He would like to have a guidance on the Road Commission and Township before attempting anything. Bill will make arrangements for a meeting with Mr. McKay, his brother, the road commission and the township.

New business

Resolution Connie\Cindy to contract with Fisher Gas for LP gas for the 2023-2024 heating season at their commercial price Of \$1.699 and pay the lock-in fee of \$69.95.

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

Motion Cindy\Bill to accept the 1st quarter budget reports with amendment and place on file.

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

Other new business

The board of review met earlier today one petition was heard. All four board of review members were present.

An issue with the hall rental of Saturday, July 17 has come to the attention of the board. The renters accessed the township hall the evening before their scheduled rental and did not sufficiently clean the hall when they left Saturday.

Motion Bill\Connie that the Saturday renters will forfeit their security deposit. The treasurer will notify them in writing.

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

Motion Lois\Cindy to amend section 9 of the Hall/Pavilion rental agreement to state "No yard or rummage sales shall be held on township property" and add that the key is to be used only on the day of the rental, there is no admittance early, (i.e. the evening before.)

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

Resolution Lois\Cindy to move \$80,000 from the General Account to a Municipal Savings Account at Isabella Bank.

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

County Commissioner

Jeri Strong provided current Road Commission reports and the tentative allocation of marijuana excise tax.

EMS has 644 runs in June and is currently operating 4 vehicles.

The battery plant plans are moving forward.

She is aware of complaints regarding the intersection of 105th Ave and 14 Mile Road where there seems to be a significant bump where the new asphalt meets the previously paved section. She suggests the township contacts the road commission

There will be a meeting for township officials and assessors on Monday, August 28th at the Morton Township Library regarding communication and relationships with tax payers. She encouraged everyone to attend.

Public Comments

Feeding America Food Truck will be at the township hall on Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 5:00pm.

The Township association quarterly meeting is Monday, July 24 at Deerfield Township Hall, 7:00 pm

The township audit will begin Wednesday, July 19.

Tuesday, August 8, 2023 is election day.

RCB Contracting did a fabulous job removing the tree from the cemetery and new gravel has been placed in the east drive.

Motion Connie/Cindy to adjourn 8:10 pm.

Verbal vote 5 yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Connie Grant, Clerk