

Martiny Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2022
6:30 P.M.

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 Bill Schoner, Cindy Lattimore

Guests: Ruth Chapman, Jeri Strong

Minutes:

Motion **Lois/Bill** to accept minutes of the **December 21, 2021** regular meeting as presented.

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

Brief Public Comments: None

Treasurer Report:

Expenditures	\$ 24,600.40	
Revenues	\$ 2,678.74	
Balance -General Fund	\$ 164,176.36	December 30, 2021

Motion **Cindy/Bill** 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 **13374-13394** totaling **\$13,788.15** with the addition of checks to KBC for \$1400.00 and Benny Blanzky for \$300.00.

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

Unfinished Business:

The snow guards were installed on the town hall roof on 1-8-2022. An invoice was submitted by KBC and approved for payment.

Potential road projects for 2022 were discussed, Barb will contact Tim Nestle with a few questions before any decisions are made. This topic will be addressed again at the next township meeting.

Training for Board of Review members is scheduled for January 29th at Chippewa Hills High School and February 2nd at Morley Stanwood High School. Those attending need to RSVP. Board of Review is scheduled for Monday, March 14 and Wednesday March 16.

Resolution Cindy/Lois to appropriate \$78 per BOR member to attend a virtual training if requested or if in-person training is canceled due to COVID.

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

New Business:

Resolution Barb/Cindy to increase the salary for the supervisor by 2.5% rounded down, to \$11,800.00 per year beginning April 1, 2022.

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

Resolution Connie/Cindy to keep the clerk salary at \$17,000.00 per year for the fiscal beginning April 1, 2022.

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

Resolution Cindy/Lois to increase the trustee salary by 2.5% to \$2,665.00 per year beginning April 1, 2022.

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

Resolution Lois/Connie to increase the base salary of the treasurer by 2.5% to \$13,837.50 per year beginning April 1, 2022.

The Budget workshop will be held Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 6:00 pm just prior to the regular February meeting.

The fire board meeting for February is cancelled, the next meeting is March 21, 2022 at the Chippewa Community Building. There was some discussion on alternating locations for the meetings between Martiny and Chippewa Township. The preference of the board is to hold them at Chippewa township.

A resolution was passed at the fire board meeting to pay wages retroactive for an incident that occurred in December. The legality of paying retroactive wages was discussed. Barb and Connie will make inquiries regarding this.

The standard mileage rate for 2022 issued by the IRS has increased to 58.5 cents per mile for business mileage.

Resolution Cindy/Connie to amend the 2021-2022 budget as follows:

Increase line items

\$ 800.00 to Professional Services

\$ 7,000.00 to Pension Plan

\$ 800.00 to Assessor Expense

\$ 1,400.00 to Cemetery

Decrease contingency by \$10,000.00

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

Motion Cindy/Bill to accept the quarterly budget reports as amended.

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

No action was taken on the Sheriff's request for financial assistance for a Marine Boat purchase.

Other New Business:

Cindy mentioned that it would be a good idea to look into what the COVID funds received by the township could be used for. There have been several online discussions and seminars available to take advantage of.

Resolution Cindy/Bill to allow the Michigan Farm Bureau to use the Township Hall for educational sessions they are offering to members, one on February 23rd and one on March 23rd. The regular rental rate of \$50 per day will be charged.

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

County Commissioner:

EMS has had over 7,000 runs this year to date which is 1,000 more than prior years.

A new EMS director will take over on 2/4/2022.

There will be some voluntary staff changes at the county level.

There is one ambulance being refurbished and a sheriff car was totaled due to an accident.

The county is encouraging first responders to attend training for assisting victims with the trauma associated with accidents, fires, Etc.

Jeri inquired as to the effectiveness of the band width used by the fire department radios.

She also inquired about dry-hydrants in the township for use by the fire department.

Brief Public Comments:

There is a school election scheduled for May 3, 2022.

Next township meeting is on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 6:30 pm

Motion Bill/Cindy to adjourn.

Verbal vote. 5 yes. 0 no.

Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:58pm.

Submitted By,

Connie Grant, Clerk