

Martiny Township
Special Meeting Minutes
April 28, 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: David Closs, Ed Highfield, Lee Clemence, Steve Szczepanski, Suzanne Petz, Ruth Chapman.

Business:

Members of the Pretty Lake Association shared their experiences with Gypsy moth infestation and their desire to reduce or prevent damage done by these pests. Members of the association have collected and presented signatures to form a Special Assessment District specifically to generate funds for insect pest control. The association paid to have the area sprayed in May 2021 however the effectiveness of the spray application was greatly reduced due to the timing of the application and adverse weather. Hamilton Helicopter, the party that applied the spray, agreed to re-spray in 2022 at half price, again paid for by Pretty Lake association funds.

The SAD proposed would include the 140 parcels, 74.43 acres, the same as the current SAD for weed control at Pretty Lake. By law, to form a SAD signatures representing at least 51% of the land area must be collected. As of this date the association has signatures committing 44.6% of the area but are expecting more signatures as seasonal owners return to the area. Even though the Township Board had concerns that additional property would receive a benefit from the insect treatments the Lake association members present feel it is unlikely that property owners outside the current weed control district would sign the petition to be included so are reluctant to expand the area for pest control.

Motion Cindy/Lois to form a Special Assessment District for Gypsy Moth Control at Pretty Lake. The SAD shall be the same area included in the current weed control SAD of Pretty Lake and be for 5 years. Signed petitions committing at least 57% of the land area in the district (42.42 acres), must be collected. The Pretty Lake Association will have until June 10, 2022 to submit the petitions to the township.

Verbal Vote. 5 yes. 0 no. Motion Carried.

Brief public comments

None

Other Township Business:

Resolution Cindy/Connie to pay the Chippewa/Martiny Fire Department \$19,000.00, the first half of the budgeted amount for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

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

Motion **Connie/Bill** to adjourn.

Adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Submitted By,

Connie Grant, Clerk

