

Martiny Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 21, 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: Mike Munsell, David Closs, Annette Becht, Susan Elenbaas, Ron Elenbaas, Melinda Coss, Steve Szczepinski, Lee Clemence, Ruth Chapman, Jeri Strong

Minutes:

Motion Cindy/Bill to accept minutes of the **May 17, 2022** regular meeting as presented.

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

Brief Public Comments: Melinda Coss expressed her concerns regarding grass mowing and clean up at the cemetery over Memorial Day weekend. It was her opinion that grass clippings should have been cleaned up.

Treasurer Report:

Expenditures	\$	13,460.61	
Revenues	\$	41,816.40	
Balance -General Fund	\$	274,851.14	May 31, 2022

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

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

Bills:

Resolution **Cindy/Bill** to pay bills check numbers **13503 to 13523** totaling **\$15,132.20** with the addition of invoices from Isenhardt Electric for \$378.75 and Mecosta County Road Commission for \$41,361.74. ARPA funds will not be used at this time. The road commission will be paid from township budgeted funds.

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

Unfinished Business:

The 13 Mile Road project was completed under budget. The invoice was received from the Road Commission and approved for payment.

The RRGF application has been submitted for cameras at the township hall. Notification of grant awards is expected by August 2, 2022.

Motion Cindy/Bill should the township be awarded the grant a special meeting will be called to approve purchase of cameras and installation.

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

Options and prices for a new dock at Horsehead Lake were received from Lakeside Motor Sports.

Motion Cindy/Connie to table decisions regarding the dock for more information. Mike Munsell and Barb Hampel will arrange to meet with Lakeside Motor Sports.

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

Pretty Lake residents who requested a Special Assessment District for moth control had presented signatures of those willing to commit to the SAD but did not meet the deadline of June 10, 2022 for 57% of the acreage to be committed. Mr. David Closs requested an extension of time to June 15th as they received late petitions which did raise the total over 57%.

Resolution Cindy/Lois to amend the motion of April 28, 2022 creating the SAD for Gypsy Moth control at Pretty Lake. The Pretty Lake Association will have until June 15, 2022 to submit petitions committing acreage to the SAD. All other conditions of the original motion will remain the same.

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

Resolution Cindy/Connie of the Township Board's intent to proceed with the project and to finance it by special assessment. The Township made a preliminary determination that the petitions are sufficient and all incurring costs will be included.

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

New Business:

Resolution Connie/Bill to purchase three "No Wake" signs for Horsehead Lake and one "Water not Potable" sign for the pump at the cemetery. Estimated cost is about \$200.00.

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

The damaged vacuum pipe on the generator poses no danger and will be repaired by APCOM Co. during regular generator maintenance.

Eisenhart Electric replaced a GFI outlet in the pavilion and notified of repairs needed on the hot water heater. A plumber will be contacted.

Connie notified the board of cemetery decorations and monuments that do not conform with the cemetery ordinance. A message will be included with the township newsletter. Additional letters will be sent to individuals regarding specific grave sites.

The township newsletter will be included with all summer tax bills. Mailing will be done by the end of June.

Township trash was successful and conducted without incident. Over 50 residents participated.

The AMAR (assessing audit) was passed with only one minor issue which was corrected.

Resolution Cindy/Bill to renew the township CD with Isabella bank for a time period of one year or less at the discretion of the treasurer.

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

Other New Business:

Resolution Cindy/Lois to purchase LP gas from Fischer LP Gas for the 2022-2023 heating season at their quoted price of \$1.899/gallon. The township will remain on the "auto fill" program.

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

During their regular monthly meeting the Mecosta County Planning Commission will consider special use variance requests on two properties located in Martiny Township. More information is available at www.mecostacounty.org.

Jensen Lake weed control assessment renews in 2023.

Surveys of Lynwood Lane were received but not all elevations needed were available to recommend the next step for improvement in the area. Supervisor will request that the Mecosta County Road Commission pump the area periodically.

Brief discussion was held regarding the Township providing a fire hydrant at a location to be determined using ARPA funds.

The Township's second tranche of ARPA funds should be received by July 10.

County Commissioner

The county still has an ambulance out for repair.

There is a shortage of paramedics.

Proposed uses for funding received from ARPA and Recreational Marijuana include: WISE, Our Bothers Keeper, The Dragon Trail, County Parks, Fire Department, county roads and other various county needs that are open for consideration.

The sheriff department purchased a new marine patrol boat.

The COA still has issues with stolen catalytic converters.

Volunteer drivers with the COA will receive extra funds to help with the rising cost of gas.

The company hired by the county to do road brining has not fulfilled their contract. The county will be doing road brining.

Public Comments: Feed America Food Truck is June 30 at 5:00 PM at the pavilion and parking lot.

Clerk will look into the cost of purchasing 12 Veterans flag holders and flags for next year.

Motion **Cindy/Bill** to adjourn.

Adjourned at 8:54 pm.

Submitted By,

Connie Grant, Clerk