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Martiny Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 19, 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: Brad White

Public Comments

None

Minutes:

Motion Cindy/Bill to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of November 21, 2023 as corrected.

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

Treasurer Report:

Expenditures	\$	30,040.32	
Revenues	\$	32,579.48	
Balance -General Fund	\$	90,257.72	November 30, 2023

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 13917-13937 totaling \$16,674.91.

Roll call vote. 5 Yes. 0 No.

Resolution carried.

Old business

The state legislature passed the law that removes local zoning control for utility scale solar and wind energy facilities.

Resolution Cindy/Lois to oppose the preemption of local control in solar and wind siting and zoning.

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

New Business

Resolution Lois\Cindy to contract with the Mecosta County Road Commission for 3 applications of road brine for dust control in 2024.

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

The Mecosta County Road commission asks that the Township submit requests for light road repair projects for 2024 and heavy road repair projects for 2025. The two roads being requested for light repair are Lynwood Lane which has already been discussed with the road commission and 95th Ave. from 14 Mile Road to 15 Mile Rd.

The Board of Review met on December 12, 2023. One poverty exemption petition was addressed and was denied. The form was not filled out completely nor was the form signed.

Resolution Connie/Cindy to appropriate \$50 for the Board of Review training class being offered by the Mecosta County Assessors Association. Any Township official may attend the training.

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

Resolution Lois/Cindy to purchase an annual subscription for QuickBooks accounting along with a one year subscription for QuickBooks payroll at a total cost of \$1,299.00.

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

Resolution Cindy/Bill to Appropriate \$105.99 for the purchase of new telephones and answering machine for the Township Hall.

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

Resolution Cindy/Connie to purchase an updated wage and employment poster for the Township Hall and envelopes required for voter return of absent ballot applications. The clerk will seek the best price for these items.

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

County Commissioner

The county commissioner was not in attendance but wishes every one a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Public Comments

The Chippewa/Martiny Fire Board meeting scheduled for January 22, 2024 will need to be changed as the Mecosta County Township Association meeting is the same day. The supervisor will check with board members for a new date, possibly January 15, 2024.

January 22, 2024 is the Mecosta County Township Association quarterly meeting. The meeting will be held at the Grant Township hall beginning at 6:00 pm with the annual potluck, the meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

Motion Cindy/Bill to adjourn 7:38 pm.

Verbal vote 5 yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Submitted by

Connie Grant, Clerk