

Martiny Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 16, 2024
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: Mark Henry, Wally Cutler, Tom Kunse, Brad White.

Public Comments

State representative Tom Kunse was a special guest at the Township meeting. He answered questions presented by Mr. Mark Henry regarding repairs and paving on 18 mile Road. Representative Kunse also spoke briefly about the petition being circulated regarding local control of wind and solar energy facilities. His contact information is available at the Township office.

Township assessor Brad White provided information from the State Tax Commission that answers frequently asked questions regarding solar energy facilities. This information is available to Assessors and taxpayers.

Brad White also informed the board that the 2023 tax roll has been balanced.

Minutes:

Motion Cindy/Bill to accept the minutes of the March 19, 2024 regular meeting with corrections as discussed. Verbal vote. 5 yes. 0 no. Motion carries.

Treasurer Report:

Expenditures	\$	16,296.45	
Revenues	\$	144,566.89	
Balance -General Fund	\$	213,115.69	March 30, 2024

Motion Cindy/Connie to accept the treasurers report of March 30, 2024 and place on file.

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

Bills

Resolution Lois/Cindy to pay Township bills check numbers 14015–14027 including EFT to the State of Michigan with the addition of \$5,402.65 to Burnham and Flower for liability insurance renewal. Total is \$33,852.65.

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

Old business

Motion Cindy/Lois to decline the proposal from the Mecosta County Road Commission for paving/chip sealing on 95th Ave for this year.

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

Regarding access issues and the right of way at 8901 Lakeview Blvd. at Jensen Lake Highlands, Attorney Mark Nettleton of Mika Myers reviewed the deed and plat information that dates back to 1951. He does not recommend

granting Mrs. Henry's request to deed the right of way back to the adjoining property owners but the Township board has other questions regarding this issue. The supervisor will again contact Mr. Nettleton for advice.

New Business

Board members and volunteers will meet at noon On Wednesday, May 22 to place flags for Memorial Day on veteran's graves in the Township cemetery.

Motion Cindy/Lois to accept the fourth quarter 2023-24 budget reports and place on file.

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

County Commissioner

Not in attendance

Public Comments

As of April 1, 2024 the supervisor will not have a deputy.

A big thank you goes to Cindy Lattimore for trimming shrubs and raking in front of the Township hall.

Paychecks this month were written using the new QuickBooks payroll software. The new software will help make record keeping, payroll reporting and tax filing much more efficient.

Motion Cindy/bill to adjourn 8:07 PM

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

Submitted by

Connie Grant, Clerk