

Martiny Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 18, 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: Jeri Strong, Mike Munsell, Karen Hahn.

Public Comments

Karen Hahn, Register of Deeds for Mecosta County introduced herself as a candidate for the primary election to be held on August 6, 2024.

Minutes:

Motion Cindy/Bill to accept the minutes of the May 21, 2024, the Special Meeting of June 7, 2024 and the Closed Meeting of June 7, 2024.

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

Treasurer Report:

Expenditures	\$	12,606.01	
Revenues	\$	39,509.18	
Balance -General Fund	\$	208,843.09	May 31, 2024

Motion Cindy/Connie to accept the treasurers report of May 31, 2024 and place on file.

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

Bills

Resolution Cindy/Bill to pay Township bills check numbers 14055-14062 totaling 16,961.00 with the addition of the invoice from A-1 Service for trash day service of \$7,078.50 for a grand total of \$ 24,039.50

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

Old business

Regarding the Jehnsen Lake lawsuit, there was a preliminary hearing today, June 18, 2024 at 3 PM. Township attorneys Mika Myers had a representative present on behalf of the Township. The judge has taken the matter under advisement.

New Business

Resolution Cindy/Lois to convert Township email addresses to a .gov address as opposed to the current Gmail addresses. Cost is expected to be \$80.00 per address per year.

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

The supervisor will look into the cost and procedure for putting an AED at the Township hall. Information will be shared at the next regular Township meeting.

No action was taken regarding the issue of short term rentals in the Township. The supervisor will seek information on other townships' policies regarding short term rentals to help determine whether Martiny Township needs to consider a resolution regarding this topic.

The invoice for trash day was received and approved by the board with the Township bills. Trash day continues to be a well received benefit to township residents with more than 70 people participating. The change of time from 8am-11am worked very well. A big Thank You goes to the Mecosta County Sheriff Posse for helping with traffic control.

Resolution Cindy/Bill to enter into agreement with the Mecosta Sheriff Posse for traffic safety services at the township's Bi-annual clean up days in the amount of \$150.00 for each scheduled clean up day beginning with June 8, 2024.

Roll call vote. 5 Yes. 0 No. Resolution Carries

The summer newsletter will be included with the mailed in June.

Other new Business:

Resolution Cindy/Lois that the security deposit paid by the renter of the town Hall on June 13, 2024 will not be refunded. The terms of the rental agreement were not followed and the key has not yet been returned. This will cause more expense to taxpayers as all the locks at the hall may have to be changed.

Roll call vote. 5 Yes. 0 No. Resolution Carries

Resolution Cindy/Lois to appropriate up to \$2,000.00 for removal of 3 dead trees at the Horsehead Lake Boat launch. Trustee Bill Schoner will contact some tree removal services for prices and scheduling of removal.

Roll call vote. 5 Yes. 0 No. Resolution Carries.

County Commissioner

MET grant requests were due June 14, 2024. A workshop to consider grant applications and will be held on June 26, 2024.

Any road repair information will be forwarded to the township when available.

Public Comments

The supervisor has been attended Emergency Management Meetings which will now meet quarterly.

Thank You to Cindy Lattimore and Lois Schmidt for placing new mulch around the plantings in front of the Township Hall.

A portable lectern has been donated to the township by Mike Munsell in honor of his wife, Mary Munsell. We thank him for his generous donation.

Mike Munsell was informed that the bike lane safety signs were in and ready to be picked up and installed.

The Feeding America food truck will be at the township hall Thursday June 20, 2024. Food distribution begins at 5:00pm.

Motion Connie/Cindy to adjourn. 7:42 PM

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

Submitted by

Connie Grant, Clerk