

Martiny Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 18th, 2025
6:30 P.M.

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Barb Hampel

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was recited by all present.

Roll Call:

Present; Lois Schmidt, Barb Hampel, Dale Dosenberry, Cindy Lattimore, Connie Grant
Guests; Greg Adams , Brad White, Mike Munsell, Kirk Ferris

Public comments

Mike Munsell of Horsehead Lake informed the board that the application for goose nest destruction his been filed with EGLE for 2025. He thanks the board for their continued support of this project.

Kurt Ferris, new property owner in the township, introduced himself as he had recently had phone conversation with the supervisor and assessor.

Minutes

Motion Connie/Cindy to accept the Minutes of the Budget Workshop of February 17, 2025 and the Minutes of of the Regular Meeting of February 18, 2025 as written and place on file.

Verbal Vote. 5 Yes. 0 No. Motion carries.

Treasurer Report

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| Expenditures | \$ 13,491.75 |
| Revenues | \$ 388.10 |
| Balance-General Fund | \$ 59,475.60 |
| Municipal Savings | \$ 84,953.77 |

Motion

Motion Cindy/Connie to accept the Treasurers Report as written and place on file.

Verbal Vote. 5 Yes. 0 No. Motion carries.

Budget Amendment

Resolution Connie/Lois to move \$850.00 from the Clerk Deputy line item and \$100.00 from the Clerk Deputy Expense line item to the Clerk Expense line item for the Quickbooks update to add a second user.

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

Resolution Barb/Connie to move \$500.00 from the Township Board Printing & Publishing line item to the Assessor Expense line item.

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

Township bills:

Resolution Cindy/Lois to pay bills check numbers 14302-14325 with the addition of the deputy annual payments totaling \$300.00 plus associated payroll taxes and the \$3,000.00 additional funding to the Chippewa Martiny Fire Department.

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

Old Business

Resolution Barb/Connie to enter into a three (3) year contract with RCB Contracting Services for cemetery sexton and grounds maintenance services beginning April 1, 2025 at the quoted price of \$20,000.00 per year.

Roll call vote. 4 Yes. 0 No. 1 Abstains (C. Lattimore) Resolution Carries.

New Business

Resolution Cindy/Lois to approve payment to the DNR for costs associated with the easement at Jehnsen Lake. Payment will be made promptly upon receipt of invoice.

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

Motion Cindy/Connie to allow for a second burial on grave site A-23-4. Burial will be of cremains at the grave site of decedent's brother.

Verbal Vote. 5 Yes. 0 No. Motion carries.

Resolution Lois/Connie to approve the 2025 contract with Aura LLC for Spongy Moth Suppression at Pretty Lake.

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

Resolution Connie/Lois to approve the assessor contract with Precise Tax Assessment For the fiscal year 2025 - 2026 with a 2.5% increase.

Roll call vote. 4 Yes. 0 No. 1 Abstains (C. Lattimore). Resolution carries.

Resolution Cindy/Connie To enter into the E-Book Collection Services contract with the Morton Township Library for the fiscal year 2025-2026 in the sum of \$1,000.00.

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

Motion Dale/Cindy to table discussion of a new generator until the April 2025 regular meeting.

Verbal vote. 5 Yes. 0 No. Resolution carries.

Resolution Cindy/Connie to appropriate up to \$1,400.00 to upgrade the Supervisor's computer to be compatible with Windows 11.

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

Motion Lois/Connie to execute a letter in support of BEAD as requested by Tri-County Electric.

Verbal vote. 5 Yes. 0 No. Resolution carries.

The Martiny Township Board of Review was held March 10 and 11th in the Township hall. The Board considered 7 petitions, 2 were filed in person and five were received by mail. Assessor, Bradley White expressed that the board held good discussions and all petitions have been answered.

County Commission

Commissioner Greg Adams updated the Township on MET funds and changes to grant applications for requesting funds. The sheriff's department is investing in the training of a new police dog. An officer will be hired full-time as a liaison to the Chippewa Hills School District. Repairs to the power at the jail have been completed. The county has made it a goal to retain EMS providers. There has been a push to more efficiently handle blight complaints in the county.

Public Comments

Mike Munsell wanted the Township to note that bike lane safety signs have been installed in the Township by the Morton Township Recreation Committee.

Motion Connie/Cindy to Adjourn. 8:25 pm

Verbal vote. 5 Yes. 0 No. Motion carries.

Submitted by

Connie Grant, Clerk