

**Township of Marilla Board Meeting Minutes**  
**August 9, 2022, 6:30pm - In-Person Meeting**  
9991 Marilla Road, Copemish Mi. 49625

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by Supervisor Douglas Glick.  
Pledge. Roll Call and Confirmation of Quorum.

**Present:** Vegter, Bahr, Glick, Cudney, Bay **Abs:** None

**Visitors:** Vic Ellis, Pat Ellis - PC, Chris Bay - DT,

**Approval of Minutes:**

**7/12/2022:** Motion to accept minutes by Glick, seconded by Bay.  
All in favor, Motion Passed.

**Public Comment:**

Floor opened to public comment and questions at 6:33 pm.

No public commented.

Floor closed to public comment and questions at 6:35 pm.

**New Business:**

1. Financial planning for the township future: Glick spoke with an MTA attorney regarding the future of Marilla Township and its budgets. Township attorneys drafted millage language to put forth on the November 2022 ballot for fire and rescue (EMS) coverage. It is a \$12000.00 a year contract with Maple Grove.

**MARILLA TOWNSHIP**

**Proposal For Fire and Rescue Millage**

This proposal will permit the Township to levy up to .6 mills for the purpose of providing funds for fire and EMS protection

Shall the limitation on the amount of ad valorem taxes which may be levied by the Township of Marilla, Manistee County, Michigan, against taxable property in the Township be increased by up to .6 mills (\$0.60 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of four (4) years, 2022 through 2025, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for fire and EMS protection, and shall the Township levy such millage for these purposes? If approved and levied in its entirety, this millage would raise an estimated \$12,227 for the Township when first levied in 2022.

Yes

No

Motion by Glick, seconded by Bay, to approve the ballot language for the new fire and rescue millage, which language is attached to these minutes, and to submit the proposal to the township electors at the November 8, 2022 general election.

Aye: Cudney, Vegter, Bahr, Glick, Bay

Nay: None

Abstain: None

All in favor. Motion was passed.

2. Consumers Power: Notice of public meeting regarding the hydro power dams. Consumers Power has also expressed interest in land for solar fields in the future. Press release will be attached.

#### **Old Business:**

1. Corrective Action Plan per State of Michigan - Plan was wrote up by BC&B (the township's audit company) and submitted on time to the State of Michigan. No response received yet.
2. Update on Hall Repairs: Koon Do-It-All Handyman LLC. Has received the half down payment and will be scheduling the remaining repairs. We may also need to replace the large glass front door as they are no longer made and replacement parts are difficult to find.
3. ARPA Update: Second payment was made and deposited in July. Moving forward we will need to note the attempts to seek a minimum of 3 outside bids for work.
4. Planning Commission Master Plan moving forward with seeking assistance with Master Plan revisions. Motion to approve the RFP composed by Glick and the planning commission made by Vegter and seconded by Bahr. All in favor. Motion passed.
5. Motion to amend the 2022-2023 General Fund General Appropriation Act to include left out section 6 was made by Glick and seconded by Bay.  
Aye: Bay, Bahr, Vegter, Cudney, Glick  
Nay: None  
Abstain: None  
All in favor. Motion passed.
6. L-4029: Motion to levy a tax millage of 1.4532 mils for the 2022-2023 fiscal year was made by Glick and seconded by Bay.

Aye: Vegter, Bay, Bahr, Glick, Cudney

Nay: None

Abstain: None

All in favor. Motion passed.

7. a) Hall Rental Fees: Motion to increase hall rental fee for residents to \$100 from \$75 and to increase the hall rental deposit to \$120 from \$75 was made by Bahr and seconded by Glick. All in favor. Motion passed.

b) Previous rental by Benzie Area Rotary paid a \$100 cleaning fee following their event. Motion to pay Misty Cudney \$100 for cleaning the building after they had left, was made by Glick and seconded by Bahr. All in favor. Motion passed.

### Board Member Reports:

*Supervisor: Douglas Glick.*

The Policy and Procedure is being reviewed. Front door replacement or repair bids are being sought.

*Treasurer: Camie Bay.*

### REPORT:

<b>Marilla Twp Financial Report July 2022</b>		
Park Improvement was	<b>\$4,467.00</b>	
Honor Bank 60 month CD	<b>\$2,500.00</b>	
Perpetual Care Fund	<b>\$4,804.76</b>	
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Cemetery	<b>\$46,616.71</b>	
ARPA	<b>\$37,314.28</b>	
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Beginning General Balance	<b>\$82,809.51</b>	
Checks 8273-8298 plus 1 debit card use	<b>\$9,084.85</b>	
State of Mich Rev.	<b>\$6,967.00</b>	

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2022 Summer & SET	<b>\$1,297.89</b>		
Cremation	<b>\$175.00</b>		
Interest	<b>\$2.20</b>		
VOIDED Check (Feb)	<b>\$88.10</b>		
General Balance when everything is in	<b><u>\$82,254.85</u></b>		

*Clerk: Misty Cudney*

1. Report on the Aug outgoing bills and payroll.
2. Ordering P/C Master Plans and Zone Ord copies
3. MSU Citizen Planner Class

*Trustee: Bruce Bahr*

Will get help putting up the cemetery signs.

*Trustee: Steven Vegter*

*Interested in the MSU class*

*Zoning Administrator: (Interim) Misty Cudney*

No calls, just an address application on Aug 8th 2022.

*Planning Commission: Mike Picchiotti (Abs)*

No other reports offered. Motion to adjourn by Bahr and seconded by Vegter. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Misty Cudney, Marilla Township Clerk

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