

Township of Marilla Meeting Minutes
Aug 8, 2023, 6:30pm - In-Person Meeting
9991 Marilla Road, Copemish Mi. 49625

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Douglas Glick, Township Supervisor. Pledge. Roll Call and Confirmation of Quorum.

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

Visitors: Chris Bay - D. Treasurer, Jan & Bob Thomas, Phyllis Cholette, Pat Milliron, Ralph Lombard

Approval of Minutes:

7/11/2023: Motion to approve minutes made by Bahr and seconded by Glick. All in favor. Motion passed.

Public Comment:

Floor opened to public comment and questions at 6:32 pm

A resident expressed concern regarding the Master Plan and the Township Ordinance. She is interested in splitting her land and feels that the 40 acre requirement of her property is making it difficult for new residents to buy and build here. She requests that the Township Board and Planning Commission review both the Plan and Ordinance.

Floor closed to public comment and questions at 6:52 pm

New business

1. Issues with the Township Hall, property and assets: Golden Sun landscaping will provide a quote for grass seed if needed this fall. Glick will contact Yager Concrete regarding repairs to the ADA Block wall. Cudney will contact Moore Mechanical about fall inspection and checking on the shape of the heating/cooling system. A creature is chewing at the outside window framing above the windows on the west. Cudney will contact Action Pest Control regarding the situation. Cudney will contact KalTel regarding the phone lines and internet. Cudney will search for an electrician to change out the parking and flag lights and to test the power issues in the hall.

A motion was made by Vegter to approve up to \$1000 for the light and power repairs. Seconded by Bahr. All in favor. Motion approved.

A motion was made by Bahr to donate or recycle old township assets at BARC in Kalava. Seconded by Bay. All in favor. Motion approved.

Asset List as follows: (1) 1984 metal desk, (1) portable fire safe with broken hinge, (1) pressed wood desk hutch/shelf, (1) HP Laserjet pro 102 printer, (2) Lenovo wired keyboards, (2) Lenovo wired mice, (2)

Lenovo empty tower units and power cords, (1) AOC wired monitor, (2) DESTROYED Lenovo tower hard drives,

2. Township Fall Clean-up day: Motion to spend up to \$3000 for a second township clean up day was made by Bahr and seconded by Vegter. All in favor. Motion passed. Date to be set as October 14th 2023, 8am-12pm. Township will use the original signs and place a new "October" label over "June". Cudney and Bahr will oversee the arrangements.

Old business

1. Cemetery Update: Meeting scheduled for Monday Aug 14 at 6:30 pm. Discussion of sexton job description/contract and bylaws/rules and regulations.
2. Solar Ordinance: Attorney said that he could draft a solar ordinance (a follow up email quoted \$500 cost). The Planning Commission will use its regularly scheduled meeting in September to discuss moving forward.

Douglas Glick - Supervisor Report

Glick will attend a County Economic Development meeting on Thursday. Glick reported that he received an email from A Consumers Energy rep announcing they will be accepting offers for the 13 Dam Hydro facilities.

Misty Cudney - Clerk Report

Presented bills and payroll. Motion to accept and pay the bills as presented made by Glick and seconded by Bay. All in favor. Motion passed.

New Deputy Clerk was appointed. Nicola Casselman was appointed and sworn in on Monday. She will start training with Cudney in the week to come. A motion to add Nicola Casselman to the bank account as a second signature was made by Cudney and seconded by Glick. All in favor. Motion passed.

Camie Bay - Treasurer Report

Financial Report July 2023				
	Cemetery/Timber	\$51,582.77		
	Coronavirus Local Recovery Fund (ARPA)	Closed		
	CD	Closed		
	<i>General Account</i>			
	ARPA to General (\$3.16 interest)	\$18,142.39		

	22 National Forest	\$1,485.31		
	State of MI	\$6,947.00		
	Closed CD	\$2,500.09		
	land use	\$100.00		
	checks 8557-85 plus dbt			
	Interest	\$3.28		
	Balance when everything is in LEDGER	\$134,629.31		

Steven Vegter/Bruce Bahr: Township Trustee Report

Zoning Administrator: Misty Cudney (interim)

Report of a few new builds on Marilla Rd. Talks about land splits and zoning updates to create more housing options. Within the last year there have been 12+ permits given, about \$1900 in fees collected. Five letters of blight violation this summer with 4 owners already making progress on the clean up. 3-4 more letters will go out this month and a follow up to the non-compliance property.

Cemetery Committee: Bruce Bahr

Meeting Aug 14 at 6:30 scheduled. Cudney gave Bahr the storage key to get the posts out for the garbage can installation.

Planning Commission Report: Steven Vegter

Still working on Master plan updates. Next meeting Aug 15 at 6:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn made by Bhr and seconded by Vegter. All in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Misty Cudney, Marilla Township Clerk