

Township of Marilla Meeting Minutes
October 10, 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, Phyllis Cholette, Pat Milliron, Jared Litwiller -
Assessor

Approval of Minutes:

9/12/2023: Motion to approve minutes made by Bahr and seconded by Bay. All in favor. Motion passed.

9/15/2023: Motion to approve special meeting minutes made by Glick and seconded by Vegter. All in favor. Motion passed.

Public Comment:

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

Floor closed to public comment and questions at 6:34 pm

New business

1. Training Funding Reimbursement: Cudney received an invite to meet with a MTA attorney with a few other municipalities to get legal education on blight violations and procedures. Glick motioned to approve a payment for up to \$500, if the township receives a bill for the impromptu training. Bay seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.
2. Cemetery Roadway bid/work: A bid to repair the Cemetery driveways was entered by Ron Brown and Sons. Two options were presented; a partial repair of the entrances of three driveways was \$9,839.00 or the complete repair of the three driveways with entrances for \$14,780.00. A motion to approve the full repair for the total of \$14,780.00, to be paid for from the Cemetery fund, was made by Bahr and seconded by Bay. All in favor. Motion passed. 50% will need to be paid up front before work can start.

Old business

1. Bat remediation is complete. There are no signs of bats in the attic area. If anything comes up the township should contact the Wildlife Management and Rescue services with questions.
2. Mike Flatman has repaired the two outside light sensors and has been paid.
3. Moore Mechanical has completed its fall inspection and the system seems to be running well. There are no current concerns with electrical draw or the motor.
4. Fall Clean up has been confirmed with Guthries and will be held Oct 14, 2023 8-12 pm at the township hall.
5. Sexton Description/Contract has been rewritten and reviewed. A motion to approve the new contract as written was made by Cudney and seconded by Bahr. All in favor. Motion passed. An ad will be placed in the newspaper, online and at the hall seeking interested parties. A letter of interest should be sent to the township for review. The township will set the new fees and the contracted party will be paid accordingly.
6. The treasurer is having additional problems with the computer and will be purchasing a new one per past board approval now that summer tax day is done.

Douglas Glick - Supervisor Report

Glick reported that there are additional meeting dates regarding the Tippy and Hodenpyle Dams. Cudney will put them on the website and post them at the hall for the residents.

Misty Cudney - Clerk Report

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

Election Update. Training at the hall will be provided for anyone interested. A contract with Manistee County for Marilla to work with Maple Grove Township as an early voting site is in process. Hourly wage for inspectors for state and federal elections will be \$15/hour for all townships in Manistee County. There is a yearly maintenance fee for the early voting equipment that each township is responsible for. More info to come.

Camie Bay - Treasurer Report

Financial Report August 2023			
	Cemetery/Timber	\$51,582.77	
	<i>General Account</i>		
	State of Mi Rev. Shares	\$6,757.00	
	Summer Tax income	\$1,458.95	

	land use	\$120.00		
	Bills paid	\$6,635.96		
	Interest	\$3.49		
	Balance when everything is in LEDGER	\$135,242.46		

Steven Vegter/Bruce Bahr: Township Trustee Report

Zoning Administrator: Misty Cudney (interim)

Three permits were issued this month. There were two inquiries about additions in Johnson Shores. The planning commission will need to look at setback rules in the ordinance. Clean up day is this weekend and then letters will be sent out to those who still need to clean up. Violations will be issued if necessary.

Cemetery Committee: Bruce Bahr

Garbage barrels will be installed after the driveway work is completed. The Cemetery committee is interested in looking into the Dreampt CIS software for the plotting of the cemetery.

Planning Commission Report: Steven Vegter

Vegter reported that the public hearing went well and explained the application to the board. The finding of fact was just signed and will be sent to the county for review and comments. The board will discuss it again at the next board meeting in November.

Motion to adjourn made by Bahr and seconded by Bay. All in favor. Motion passed.
Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Misty Cudney, Marilla Township Clerk