

MARILLA TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting

Thursday, December 8, 2011

Marilla Township Hall

Approved Minutes

Pledge of Allegiance: said at 7 pm, regular meeting called to order by Supervisor Holly Buda.

Roll Call: Supervisor Holly Buda, Clerk Rebekah Johnson, Treasurer Patricia Ellis, Trustees Karen Bingman and Neil Crawford. Others present: Assessor Julie Beardslee, Betty Buda, Chad Cilman, Iris Hamilton, Bill Martin, Russell Smith, Bob Thomas, Marlene Wood-Zylstra, Tim and Chase Young.

Consent Agenda: Minutes for October and bills for October and November were approved.

Public Comment: FOOD PANTRY helped 61 families (167 people) in November and 70 families (206 people) in December. The board agreed to give old refrigerator to Ken Young. Food bank in Copemish hopes to be operating by January. HISTORICAL SOCIETY much organization and cleaning has been done and larger items taken to barn. Meeting scheduled for Tue, Dec 20, 2011 at 6:30 pm. BEISIE VALLEY DISTRICT LIBRARY encouraged Marilla residents to use their library. Russell and Marlene presented an agreement for 3 years allowing 100% of penal fines to go to this Library. The board agreed to not sign at this time, research the use of penal fines, consider less than 100% and revisit at next meeting.

Clerk: As result of 2010 census US Congressional District has changed placing Marilla from District 2 to District 1. Presidential Primary Election will be held Feb 28, 2012 go to michigan.gov/sos for more info. The Maple Grove Township EMS and Fire Protection contract is coming, with no changes from last year.


Treasurer: Winter taxes are coming in.

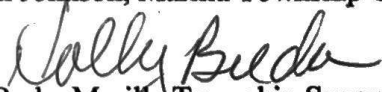
Trustees: Neil mentioned that public comment is open until Dec 23rd in regards to the closing of federal land. Four options are being discussed 1) doing nothing at all, 2) closing everything, 3) closing a portion, 4) open roads, restrict hunting. Go to www.fs.fed.us for more info.

Assessor: shared land split application with intent of use from Chad Cilman in regards to his parcel. After reviewing township zoning ordinance sec 5, hearing Chad's intent of agricultural use of his portion and Tim Young's intent of agricultural use of his portion, Julie recommended approval in accordance with zoning ordinance. Holly Buda made a motion to accept the recommend of Assessor to approve Cilman's application for land split. Karen Bingman seconded. Roll vote Aye: Patricia Ellis, Rebekah Johnson, Neil Crawford, Karen Bingman, Holly Buda; Nay: none. Julie stated that applications for Poverty Exemption need to be received the Friday before a Board of Review meeting. The Resolution of Guidelines for Poverty Exemption from Property Tax for 2012 Assessed and Taxable Value was presented with no changes from last year. Neil Crawford made a motion to adopt the Poverty Exemption same as last year. Patricia Ellis seconded. Roll vote Aye: Rebekah Johnson, Karen Bingman, Neil Crawford, Patricia Ellis, Holly Buda; Nay: none. As nothing has been received, there will be no Dec Board of Review.

Supervisor: The Board agreed to hire Milarch Brothers Nursery and Landscaping again this year for same price as last, \$45 for each plow/\$10 for each shovel job. Millage renewals (operating and township hall) are coming up for the Aug 2012 election. Holly inquired about Township Hall millage being reduced as the current account holds approx \$42,000.

Adjourned: by Supervisor at 8:26 pm. The next meeting is February 9, 2012 at 7:00 pm.


Minutes prepared by
Rebekah Johnson, Marilla Township Clerk


Holly Buda, Marilla Township Supervisor

**MARILLA TOWNSHIP
FINANCIAL REPORT
November, 2011**

November, 2011

BEGINNING BALANCE \$182,356.46

State	\$4,895.00
County	118.14
Interest	<u>7.68</u>

TOTAL \$5,020.82

CHECKS #4678-4695 \$3,238.70
Wire Trans-941 tax \$271.82 **TOTAL-\$3,510.52**

ENDING BALANCE \$183,866.76

CD'S	
3798501	\$3,590.33
3798502	3,590.33
7180014773	3,219.66
7180014760	3,212.57
TOTAL	\$13,612.89

PERPETUAL CARE

BEGINNING BAL. \$2,065.43 **CD #3798503 \$2,500.00**

Interest	.00
CD interest	<u>00.25</u>

TOTAL \$2,065.68

CEMETERY TIMBER FUND

BEGINNING BAL. \$8,203.97

Interest	<u>0.00</u>
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BALANCE \$8,203.97

HALL IMPROVEMENT FUND

BEGINNING BALANCE \$42,861.94

Flags	- 131.13
Interest	<u>1.76</u>

BALANCE \$42,732.57

MARILLA TOWNSHIP
 FINANCIAL REPORT
 October, 2011

BEGINNING BALANCE \$186,488.12

Cemetery Plot \$ 900.00
 Reynolds-sexton 125.00
 L.U. Permit 50.00
 Interest 7.99

TOTAL \$1,082.99

CHECKS #4663-4677 \$4,929.55
 Wire Trans-941 tax \$285.10 TOTAL-\$5,214.65

ENDING BALANCE \$182,356.46

CD'S
 3798501 \$3,590.33
 3798502 3,590.33
 7180014773 3,219.66
 7180014760 3,212.57

TOTAL \$13,612.89

PERPETUAL CARE

BEGINNING BAL. \$1,965.43 CD #3798503 \$2,500.00

B. Alden \$ 100.00
 Interest .00
 CD interest 00.00

TOTAL \$2,065.43

October
~~September~~, 2011

CEMETERY TIMBER FUND

BEGINNING BAL. \$8,203.97

Interest 0.00

BALANCE \$8,203.97

HALL IMPROVEMENT FUND

BEGINNING BALANCE \$42,887.40

Flag Pole repair -27.28
 Interest 1.82

BALANCE \$42,861.94