

Marilla Township Board
Minutes
November 10 2020, 6:30 p.m.
Marilla Township Hall
9991 Marilla Road, Copemish, MI 49625

Call to Order/Pledge

Roll Call and Confirmation of Quorum:

Bahr, Present; Bay, Present, Buda-Joy, Present; Thomas, Present; Glick, Present

Visitors: Steve Rennell from BS&A Software

Presented on the accounting software proposal for the Township.

Annual Fee of about \$1365 for updates, and service desk for accounting. The tax software would still continue to cost the Township about \$400 annually.

Proposal

Financial Applications	6830
Data Conversion	4050
Project Management and Implementation Planning	3615
Implementation and Training	7650
Total Proposed	22,145

Approval of Minutes:

June 9th, 2020 Special Meeting

Motion:

Second:

Discussion:

Vote:

June 16th, 2020 Meeting

Motion:

Second:

Discussion:

Vote:

July 7th, 2020 Meeting

Motion:

Second:

Discussion:

Vote:

July 21, 2020 Special Meeting

Motion:

Second:

Discussion:

Vote:

August 11, 2020

Motion:

Second:
Discussion:
Vote:

September 1, 2020

Motion:
Second:
Discussion:
Vote:

October 6, 2020

Motion: Thomas
Second: Bahr
Discussion: none
Vote: approved

October 16, 2020 Special Meeting

Motion: Thomas
Second: Buda-Joy
Discussion: none
Vote: approved

Public Comment:

This portion of the agenda is for anyone who would like to address the Marilla Township Board. Some questions may require research, so you may not receive an answer in the meeting. If this is the case, a member of the Board will get back to you in a reasonable amount of time prior to the next meeting of the Board.

Maximum time allowed for this portion of the meeting is 20 minutes with 5 minutes allowed per person. If more than one person wishes to address the Board on the same topic, please ask one person to address the Board on behalf of the issue at hand.

No comments

Old Business:

Sesquicentennial mural donation update

Artist secured and awaiting concepts for MHS Board to approve and then bring to the Township Board for final approval.

Bids for lawn service and cleaning

Not a single bid was received for the cleaning services in the recent round of advertisements.

S&S Irrigation Bid was reviewed. Folks felt it was too high and wish to leave the bidding open until the next meeting.

Snow removal bids

No bids received to date.

New Business:

Presentation by BS&A Software for Accounting

Millage failure discussion

Vote failed 60% to 40%

Concerns raised about how funds were spent but all current officials don't have the ability to recreate what happened in prior years under other leadership. The township may face dire circumstances with budgeting and requirements for townships.

MT Calendar Review

Glick to update calendar

2021 Parcel Cost Update Review

30% cost increase for Townships will impact budget planning

Swearing in: All newly elected officials were sworn in.

Board Member Reports:

Supervisor – Douglas Glick

Thanks to Jan Thomas for her dedication as a Trustee on her retirement from the Board.

Clerk – Betty Buda-Joy

Credit Card – on hold

IRS Audit Update

The Clerk got an extension to research the issue and comply with the report requirements

2018 F-65 was never completed and has to be recreated.

Election tabulator issues to be resolved

Election report: 362 registered voters in the Township and 224 of them voted.

Treasurer – Camie Bay

Treasurer's Report

Motion: Thomas

Second: Buda-Joy

Discussion: none

Vote: Approved

Motion: Glick make a motion that we do collect 3% penalties on taxes paid February 16th.

Second: Buda-Joy

Discussion: none

Vote: Approved unanimously

Trustee – Bruce Bahr

Cemetery Committee Report

Plans for turning off water and draining for the season?

Bahr will confirm that the water is turned off and draining complete.

Plan/timeline/budget (on hold until spring)

Trustee – Jan Thomas

Thermostat battery replacement process: Bahr confirmed that this new system doesn't require batteries but is hard-wired so batteries are not an issue.

Update on plumbing issue with the A/C unit. Rewerts has been trying to get someone out here to complete the work having made more than 25 calls.

Committee Reports:

Zoning Administrator – Vic Ellis

Is awaiting building requests from a couple of folks.

Planning Commission – Mike Picchiotti (not in attendance)

Marijuana Ordinance Adoption (tabled pending zoning ordinance updates)

Motion:

Second:

Discussion

Vote:

Marijuana Zoning Ordinances Discussion

Zoning and Planning Commission need to meet to finalize Zoning updates for marijuana businesses.

Meeting adjourned 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Douglas A. Glick, Supervisor