

Village of Martin
Regular Meeting
December 12, 2022

The Martin Village Council met for its regular meeting on December 12, 2022 at the Martin Village Office, 1609 North Main Street, Martin, Michigan.

Call to Order and Pledge to Flag: President Brinkhuis called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag was recited.

Roll Call: Members present: Brinkhuis, Taylor, Dykstra, Martin, Bouwman, J. Brinkhuis, Kelsey Virtual: None Absent: None

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Member Kelsey and supported by Member Dykstra to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 14, as presented. Motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors: Visitors present were: President Brinkhuis asked each visitor to state their purpose for attending and to discuss any issues they had for the Council to consider. Darcy Doezema, resident.

Approval of Agenda: Clerk Taylor presented the agenda. Motion made by Member Kelsey and supported by Member Dykstra to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Communications: Clerk Taylor reviewed the following received correspondence:

1. J.C. Wheeler Library newsletter
2. Tina Keeler requested projects for her youth group.

Financial Items:

- 1. Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Kelsey gave her report, also updated on the United Bank CD at 4.2% for 1 year. Motion by Member Kelsey and support by Member Dykstra to open 1 year CD of \$200,000 from General fund and \$100,000 from Street funds. Motion carried. Member Kelsey updated council on MML check fraud; United Bank recommended a new bank account. Motion by Member Dykstra supported by Member Martin to open a new checking account. Motion carried. She reports that all bills were paid. Motion made by Member Dykstra and supported by Member J. Brinkhuis to approve the reports for November as submitted. Motion carried.
- 2. Payment of Bills:** The bills were reviewed by Clerk Taylor. Motion made by Member Dykstra and supported by Member Kelsey to pay the bills. Motion carried.

Department Updates/Reports:

1. **Public Safety:** Member Martin reported on a meeting with Fire Department. Fire Department thinks a 4-way stop is safer. Motion by Member Dykstra and supported by Member Kelsey to keep traffic signal as 4-Way. Motion carried.
2. **Public Works/Streets:** Member Martin reported that we purchased a rubber blade for the snow box for the bob cat, built steps next to DPW office to access storage above office, built by Member Martin and DPW Keene. Assisted with traffic control at the parade. Gas hook ups are complete and sidewalks will be fixed as weather permits, 1st snow plowing went well, including the High School the night the Football team, band and cheerleaders buses returned from the U.P. Storm drain electrical box was fixed we will look at the high level float when weather permits. Ordinance 17 & 18 need to be reviewed by the council.
3. **Sewer/Water:** Member Martin reported that the three meter readers have been ordered, not delivered yet. Martin High School water access panel, working on price to install. Possible sale of carwash, nothing definite yet. 13 years left on our agreement with Plainwell regarding our sewage, included an article from March 26th, 2009 County News.
4. **Finance:** No Report.
5. **Ordinance and Policy:** No Report.
6. **Civic Affairs:** No Report.
7. **Five Year Planning:** No report.
8. **County Commissioner:** Commissioner Dugan reported on the County Commission meeting from December 8th, 2022. He also congratulated the Football team on their win.

Old Business: None

New Business: Member Martin is going to research new championship signs.

Recent Community Deaths: The following names were submitted: Ronald Katje, Kenneth Washburn, Sam VanderPloeg, Shirley Buskirk, and Chris Branch.

Adjournment: Motion made by Member Dykstra and supported by Member Kelsey to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, April Taylor, Clerk