

**Village of Martin
Regular Meeting
January 13, 2020**

The Martin Village Council met for its regular meeting on January 13, 2020 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 7:15 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag was recited.

Roll Call: Members present: Brinkhuis, Rambadt, Doezema, Kelsey, Hunt, Dykstra, Deputy Clerk Brinkhuis. Absent: Flower

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Member Rambadt and supported by Member Hunt to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 13, 2019 as presented. Motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors: Visitors present were: No visitors

Approval of Agenda: Member Doezema presented the agenda. Additions were added of Water and Van Elderen. Motion made by Member Hunt and supported by Member Rambadt to approve the agenda with additions. Motion carried.

Communications: Clerk Doezema reviewed the following received correspondence:

1. J.C. Wheeler Library newsletter
2. Letter from DNR regarding invasive species

Financial Items:

1. **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Kelsey gave her report, reporting that all bills were paid. Member Doezema presented the Charter Franchise Agreement - Council discussed the 10 year franchise agreement, which previously collected 4% from residents. Motion by Member Doezema, supported by Member Kelsey, to change the agreement to 0%. Motion carried. Motion made by Member Doezema and supported by Member Rambadt to approve the report for December 2019 as submitted. Motion carried.
1. **Payment of Bills:** The bills were reviewed by Deputy Clerk Brinkhuis. Motion made by Member Doezema and supported by Member Hunt to pay the bills and any forthcoming utility bills. Motion carried.

Department Updates/Reports:

1. **Public Safety:** Member Rambadt discussed progress on speed signs. Still waiting on information. Also, President Brinkhuis will contact the Township and the fire department to see what we can purchase for them this year.
2. **Public Works:** Member Doezema reported that she has no information yet on the school crossing requirements. Member Hunt discussed the need to hire a part time DPW worker. President Brinkhuis presented the bid for additional sidewalk on the north side of E. Allegan Street, requested by Member Flower. Member Kelsey discussed the quote from Ridderman for a diesel tank. President Brinkhuis will try to get additional quotes.
3. **Streets:** No report.
4. **Sewer/Water:** Member Doezema reported on her conference call with EGLE regarding PFAS testing of residents using wells. Of 10 requested samples, one was not using a well and 2 did not respond. Of the remaining 7, 6 tested negative for PFAS. All affected residents have been informed. The Village well tested negative in 2018. EGLE considers the matter closed, as Transcendia is now hooking up to Village water. Member Doezema presented the quote from Dixon Engineering to be the project manager for the water tower repairs. Motion by Member Doezema, supported by Member Rambadt, to approve the contract for \$13,100 with Dixon Engineering. Motion carried. Member Doezema reported that there has been no further information from the USDA on the loan to fix the lift stations.
5. **Finance:** No report.
6. **Ordinance and Policy:** No report.
7. **Civic Affairs:** No report.
8. **Five Year Planning:** No report.
9. **County Commissioner:** No report.

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Van Elderen – Van Elderen recently purchased land that the Village has used to dump and burn brush, and dump leaves. President Brinkhuis will discuss with them whether they will allow us to continue, and will discuss with the Council at the next meeting.
2. Water – This item was covered in the Sewer/Water report.

Recent Community Deaths: The following names were submitted: Larry Truax, Stephen French, Jim Harris, Lillie Minshall, Hurl Dyer, Robert Weick

Adjournment: Motion made by Member Hunt and supported by Member Rambadt to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Darcy Doezema, Clerk