

**Village of Martin
Regular Meeting
January 13, 2025**

The Martin Village Council met for its regular meeting on January 13, 2025 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 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag was recited.

Roll Call: Members present: Brinkhuis, Kelsey, Taylor, Smith, Martin, Visser, Virtual: None, Absent: J. Brinkhuis

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Member Martin and supported by Member Kelsey to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 9, 2024, with corrections. Motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors: No visitors present

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

Communications: Clerk Taylor reviewed the following received correspondence:

1. *Ship to Shore*

Financial Items:

1. **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Kelsey gave her report, reporting that all bills were paid. Motion made by Member Taylor and supported by Member Martin to approve the reports for December as submitted. Motion carried.
2. **Payment of Bills:** The bills were reviewed by Clerk Taylor. Motion made by Member Martin and supported by Member Kelsey to pay the bills and any forthcoming bills. Motion carried.

Department Updates/Reports:

1. **Public Safety:** Officer Klein emailed report and all council members received a copy to review. Member Martin reported he is looking into an AED to have at the Village office along with the electrical needed for wiring the AED and the Exit signs in the office and in the shop. Member Martin also reported we are still waiting on the traffic speed device.

2. **Public Works/Streets:** Member Martin reported on that we received a complaint that a mailbox was taken out by the plow truck. Member Martin also reported that the salt door on the garage came off the track and the track is rusting out he is working with D& D Doors on getting a quote to replace in the spring. The office door repair has been made and is working well. Also that the council is working on getting bids for the trim and soffit on the office building. Member Martin also reported that we are in the process of getting more info to repair East Allegan east of the railroad tracks. Plus that Wightman has been surveying and boring the local streets to start the process on getting bid package ready for the local street work.
3. **Sewer/Water:** Member Martin reported that the reset switch for the new pumps has been ordered and will be around \$600. There was a call that the fire hydrant at the water tower was broke and leaking, was just the fitting had been tipped from last use.
4. **Finance:** Budget Workshop scheduled for February 3rd, 2025 at 6:00PM.
 - a) **Budget Amendments:** Clerk Taylor presented multiple necessary budget amendments. Motion by Clerk Taylor, supported by Member Martin & Kelsey, to adopt the amendments presented. Motion carried.
5. **Ordinance and Policy:** No Report
6. **Civic Affairs:** No report.
7. **Five Year Planning:** No report.
8. **County Commissioner:** Commissioner Gale Dugan was present and reported on last month's meetings.

Old Business:

New Business: AED will be tabled to the budget workshop. Member Martin received a quote from A&E Electrical on wiring all the electric signs in the office and shop area. Motion by Member Taylor and supported by Member Martin, to hire A&E electric for the office and shop for the Exit signs not exceeding \$1500. Motion carried.

Recent Community Deaths: The following names were submitted: Karen Blaauw

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

Respectfully submitted, April Taylor, Clerk