

**Village of Martin
Regular Meeting
January 11, 2016**

The Martin Village Council met for its regular meeting on January 11, 2016 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, Rambadt, Doezema, Kelsey, Wykstra, Flower, Hunt and Deputy Clerk Merrill.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Member Flower and supported by Member Rambadt to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 14, 2015, as presented. Motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors: Visitors present were: Don Black, County Commissioner (7:20 arrival time) and Don Rambadt. President Brinkhuis asked each visitor to state their purpose for attending and to discuss any issues they had for the Council to consider.

Approval of Agenda: Member Doezema presented the agenda. Motion made by Member Wykstra and supported by Member Rambadt to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Communications: Clerk Doezema reviewed the following received correspondence:

1. J.C. Wheeler Library newsletter.
2. Planning Commission Training
3. Van Elderen/City of Plainwell Letters

Financial Items:

1. **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Rambadt gave her report, reporting that all bills were paid and we reconciled with the bank. Motion made by Member Doezema and supported by Member Kelsey to approve the report for December 2015 as submitted. Motion carried.
2. **Payment of Bills:** The bills were reviewed by Deputy Clerk Merrill. Motion made by Member Wykstra and supported by Member Rambadt to pay the bills and any forthcoming utility bills. Motion carried.

Department Updates/Reports:

1. **Public Safety:** No report.
2. **Public Works:** No report.
3. **Streets:** Member Flower will contact Wightman to see what it would cost for them to fill out the CMAQ Grant application.
4. **Sewer/Water:** Member Flower reported that some of the delinquencies have been paid. Bills were estimated this month but he hopes to do an actual read next month. There will be a new hook-up next year, for Matt Voster.
5. **Finance:** No report.
6. **Ordinance and Policy:** No report.
7. **Civic Affairs:** Member Doezema reported on finances for Community Promotion and gave a year end report. She also informed the council of the details of the Grand Opening and One Year Anniversary celebrations on Saturday, January 16. Member Wykstra discussed upcoming “Active Shooter” training at the school on Feb. 10 and 22. It will start at 8 a.m. The council is invited to attend.
8. **Five Year Planning:** No report.
9. **County Commissioner:** County Commissioner Don Black had not report because there have not been any County Commissioner meetings.

Old Business: The Council discussed dates and times for the budget workshop, deciding to hold it Tuesday, January 19, starting at 6 p.m. Pizza will be ordered from Arena Pizza.

New Business: Discussion on gift for Fred Bodgan, for the work he does on the website. Motion by Member Doezema, supported by Member Wykstra, to get him a \$100 Visa card. Motion carried.

Recent Community Deaths: The following names were submitted: None

Adjournment: Motion made by Member Wykstra and supported by Member Flower to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Darcy Doezema, Clerk