

Village of Martin
Regular Meeting
July 13, 2015

The Martin Village Council met for its regular meeting on July 13, 2015 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 and Deputy Clerk Merrill. Absent: Hunt.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Member Flower and supported by Member Rambadt to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 8, 2015 and the special meeting of June 8, 2015, as presented. Motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors: Visitors present were: Don Black, County Commissioner (7:17 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 Kelsey to approve the agenda with addition of VanElderen in New Business. Motion carried.

Communications: Member Doezema reviewed the following received correspondence:

1. J.C. Wheeler Library newsletter.
2. PCI Letter
3. Martin High School newsletter
4. Tonya Schumacher meeting notice

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 Wykstra and supported by Member Doezema to approve the report for June 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 Doezema 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 Wykstra reported that the drain/catch basin is done. Discussion on other jobs needing to be done. Member Flower reported on a loud manhole on N. 10th street and wondered if something can be done about it. Discussion on going to Tuinstra Welding to see if they can do anything.
4. **Sewer/Water:** Member Flower reported that Shine Auto Wash paid \$2000 in June. Also, the sewer and water extension to the new property is completed. Member Flower is still working on getting the new printer to print his bills.
5. **Finance:** No report.
6. **Ordinance and Policy:** No report.
7. **Civic Affairs:** Member Kelsey reported on the upcoming Summer Festival.
8. **Five Year Planning:** No report.
9. **County Commissioner:** County Commissioner Don Black distributed information on the June 11, June 25, and July 9 County Commissioners meetings, highlighting the inter-local agreement with ACSET and the State of Allegan County report.

Old Business:

1. President Brinkhuis spoke with Cory Coburn and he still is willing to be Constable.

New Business:

1. VanElderen: Discussion on whether we can get out of our agreement with Plainwell. The ordinance does not address whether we can or cannot give back the system. President Brinkhuis reported that Mike VanElderen has refused to pay any of the legal bills we incurred when arguing with Plainwell. It was recommended that we get a copy of the new ordinance and a copy of the notice that new limits were approved or put in place and a copy of the slug/pass through events.

Recent Community Deaths: The following names were submitted: Fred Katje, Dick Clark, and Sandra (Mills) Gilger.

Adjournment: Motion made by Member Wykstra and supported by Member Flower to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Darcy Doezema, Clerk