

Village of Martin
Regular Meeting
April 8, 2024

The Martin Village Council met for its regular meeting on April 8, 2024 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, Taylor, Smith, Martin, Bouwman, J. Brinkhuis, Virtual: None, Absent: Kelsey

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Member Martin and supported by Member J. Brinkhuis to approve the minutes of the regular meeting and the Truth in Taxation Public Hearing of March 11, 2024 with corrections. Motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors: Visitors present were: Adam Nauiseda – resident, Elizabeth Peterson-Running for Circuit Court Judge, Dan Frazer with Dirty Donut Race, President Brinkhuis asked each visitor to state their purpose for attending and to discuss any issues they had for the Council to consider. Adam Nauiseda stated he was here to observe. Elizabeth Peterson stated that she is currently an Allegan County Prosecutor and in running for Allegan County Circuit court judge. Dan Frazer stated that the Dirty Donut this year will be held June 15th, 2024 they currently have 754 participants signed up and have a cap of 1000 participants. He has more parking spaces lined up this year. Dan was asking the board if we could waive the limited time parking spaces so they could be used by participants to park during the day of the race. Council Okayed his request for parking to be allowed all day for June 15th, 2024.

Approval of Agenda: Clerk Taylor presented the agenda. Motion made by Member Martin and supported by Member J. Brinkhuis to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Communications: Clerk Taylor reviewed the following received correspondence:

1. *J.C. Wheeler Newsletter*
2. *MDOT- Local street Grant application for 2025*
3. *Allegan County Groundwater workshop*

Financial Items:

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

Department Updates/Reports:

1. **Public Safety:** Officer Klein reported on Monthly report for March 2024.

1. **Public Works/Streets:** Member Martin reported that DPW Keene replaced stop sign at Chalmers St that was run over 4/8/2024, also that new posts will need to be ordered for future use and to have the Stop sign at the legal level. Member Martin also reported that Chad from Veterans property, sprayed the drainage ditch on East Allegan 4/6/24. For \$436.50, to stay ahead of the weeds and Poison Sumac trees growth. Member Martin reported he has quote from Rameys Roots for more trees in the village that are a safety concern some that just need a trim and others that need to be removed with the cost being \$5950 to trim several limbs and remove 4 trees. Member also brought a quote from Asphalt Restoration to patch and fix areas on both major and local streets for \$6800. Member Martin also reported that it is time for Sani-Sweep to come through town and we have a 5 year contract with them, the cost of Sani-sweep its \$880. Member Martin also had a quote to clean the leach basins on North Main and West Allegan Street with a couple basins on East Allegan including the bus garage, grease trap and lift station at the school, they will be billed accordingly, quote for Perceptive is approximately 2 days @ \$3800/day. Member Martin reported that we have not painted lines on the street in about 4 years so he has a quote from P&K for \$7800 to get the lines in town painted as they should be. Motion made by Member Martin and supported by Member J. Brinkhuis to accept the quotes for Ramey's Roots, P&K Street painting, Sani-sweep, Perceptive and Asphalt Restoration not exceeding the quotes given. Motion Carried. Member Martin ordered new flags for the streets for \$572

2. **Sewer/Water:** Member Martin Reported that we have been collecting money from the Bulk Water sales with the help of Member J. Brinkhuis and with the money brought in we have been able to repair our backflow protector and purchase a second backflow protector. Member Martin also reported that the cameras installed at the water tower have proved to be a great asset and are working well. Member Martin also reported that the 3 generators have been serviced and that the generator at the wellhouse is in need of a new battery.

3. **Finance:** No report.

4. **Ordinance and Policy:** Member Taylor reported on the Repeal Ordinances 28 & 59 which both have been replaced with Ordinance 68.

5. **Civic Affairs:** Memorial Day Parade, Committee will meet to discuss details.

6. **Five Year Planning:** No report.

7. **County Commissioner:** Commissioner Gale Dugan was present and reported on 3 meetings, including a zoom meeting about 123.NET and issues that have been brought to the county's attention.

Old Business:

New Business: Motion made by Member Martin and supported by Member Bouwman to sponsor the Porta-potties for the 2024 Hometown Days. Motion carried

Recent Community Deaths: The following names were submitted: Joanne Mejeur

Adjournment: Motion made by Member Taylor and supported by Member Martin to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, April Taylor, Clerk