

Village of Martin
Regular Meeting
August 11, 2025

The Martin Village Council met for its regular meeting on August 11, 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, J. Brinkhuis, Virtual: None, Absent:

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Member J. Brinkhuis and supported by Member Martin to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 14, 2025, as presented. Motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors: Visitor present was: Keith Wally. President Brinkhuis asked each visitor to state their purpose for attending and to discuss any issues they had for the Council to consider. Keith Wally just stated he was a resident that was just visiting.

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

Communications: Clerk Taylor reviewed the following received correspondence:
Ship to Shore newsletter and a Thank you from Julie about the dirty donut race.

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 Members J. Brinkhuis and Mike Smith to approve the reports for July as submitted. Motion carried.
- 2. Payment of Bills:** The bills were reviewed by Clerk Taylor. Motion made by Member J. Brinkhuis 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. President Brinkhuis reported that he is working with Allegan County to have a meeting about the SRO.

2. **Public Works/Streets:** Member Martin reported that the lawn mower had new air conditioning lines installed and that D&D has been called to install a new capacitor on the door opener. Member Martin reported that the drainage ditch between E. Allegan and Templeton has been cleaned out and the weeds sprayed and we are looking into getting a 3-year contract with Sky Serve Solutions to have that area maintained. Member Martin also reported that the local streets project is going well and is wrapping up, the landscape has been reshaped at the elementary parking lot to redirect rain water to the drainage ditch. The storm drains are being cleaned this week south and east in town. Asphalt Restoration has been contacted to start the work we approved previously, but was put on hold until local street project was completed along with the highway project that gave the Village more traffic.
3. **Sewer/Water:** Member Martin reported that Perceptive is in town cleaning storm drains along with working on the school's lift station which has been cleaned and had test run, they will be working on the bus wash next, which the school will reimburse the Village for.
4. **Finance:** No Report
5. **Ordinance and Policy:** No Report
6. **Civic Affairs:** No report.
7. **Five Year Planning:** No report.
8. **County Commissioner:** Commissioner Dugan was present and reported on one meeting.

Old Business: Member Visser is working on website and getting the domain name and access and for the website to be maintained by the office or officials. Member Taylor reported to the council that the bill from Merlex for the new computers and install was higher than what we approved at last month's meeting. Motion made by Member Martin and supported by Member Taylor to cover the increased bill not exceeding \$1500. Motion carried.

New Business: Council members decided to change the September meeting date to September 15, 2025, due to the Allegan County Fair.

Recent Community Deaths: The following names were submitted: James Clemons and Jessica Power

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

Respectfully submitted, April Taylor, Clerk