

**MARION TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 27, 2023**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Lloyd, Bob Hanvey, Tammy Beal, Les Andersen, Dan Lowe, Greg Durbin and Sandy Donovan

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Phil Westmoreland

CALL TO ORDER

Bob Hanvey called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The meeting is also available to attend online.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

The board members introduced themselves.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Les Andersen motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Greg Durbin seconded. **Motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA

Scott Lloyd motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented. Les Andersen seconded. **Motion carried.**

MARION TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE

The Planning Commission recommended approval for the Marion Township maintenance plan. Tammy Beal explained that Howell Fire Station #23 would like to install a third truck door to the building. Fire Chief Ron Hicks asked if the Township had any funds to pay for this upgrade. Schafer put together a rough estimate and the Township Board said they are interested in seeing a fine-tuned price.

The Township's insurance company is willing to pay \$99,739.93 for the roof damage caused by the hail. To install a metal roof, it would cost #118,000.

Dan Lowe motioned to go with shingles instead of metal. Scott Lloyd seconded.

ROLL CALL: Lowe, Lloyd, Hanvey, Durbin – 4 YES Beal, Andersen, Donovan – 3 NO **Motion carried 4-3.**

Tammy Beal motioned to go with metal on the peaks. Sandy Donovan seconded.

ROLL CALL: Donovan, Durbin, Hanvey, Lloyd, Beal, Lowe – 6 YES Andersen – 1 NO **Motion carried 6-1.**

COMMUNITY CENTER GRANT

Bob Hanvey suggested that we think about this for a while and hold off on any decisions.

WALKING PATH

Phil Westmoreland explained that the perimeter has been surveyed and everything has been staked. He stated that after January 1st would be the best time to start looking at pricing.

CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES

Les Andersen discussed the Planning Commissions decision about the Township Planner. Gormley said that we should try and make things work with Carlisle Wortman before looking for another firm.

Dan Lowe asked Bob Hanvey for an update on the landscaping situation on Sexton. Bob stated that the Drain Commission red-tagged this area.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Sandy Donovan motioned to go into a closed session to discuss the written opinion of our attorney, per MCL 15.268(h) on REU issues because discussion during an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the settlement position of the Township. Tammy Beal seconded.

ROLL CALL: Beal, Andersen, Donovan, Durbin, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd – 7 YES **Motion carried 6-0.**

Submitted by: J. Timberlake

Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk Date

Robert W. Hanvey, Township Supervisor Date