

August 9, 2023, Regular Board Minutes were approved on September 13, 2023.

MARCELL TOWNSHIP

REGULAR BOARD MEETING- IN-PERSON

AUGUST 9, 2023, at 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by Diane Coppens.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present– Chair-Diane Coppens, Supervisor- Sandy Lyytinen, Supervisor- Karen Senger, Treasurer- Dennis Korte, and Clerk-Tracy Chase

Others in Attendance-Clif Block, Tim Hagen, Domanick David

North Star Lake/Beaver- A lengthy discussion took place regarding Northstar Lake/Beaver issue. A letter will go out to all North Star Lake and Potato Creek landowners to discuss high water levels/beaver trapping. Tracy will reach out to MAT for township guidance. Karen will contact the property owner regarding the DNR application and start to contact trappers to see if they may be interested in helping trap beaver on North Star Lake and Potato Creek. Not wanting to repeat the large sum of money the township had to put out due to the flooding of Northwind and Northwood Roads, Motion by Karen Senger and seconded by Sandy Lyytinen to pay up to \$1,000 to initiate trapping on North Star Lake and Potato Creek, sending letters to Northstar Lake and Potato Creek landowners regarding the beaver dam and trapping, and continued effort to install the Clemson Levelers.

MCU- 3-0.

July 12, 2023, Regular Board Minutes – Motion to accept the July 12, 2023, minutes was made by Karen Senger and Sandy Lyytinen seconded the motion. MCU-3-0.

Treasurer’s Report- July 31, 2023, reconciled bank balance was \$460,509.88 with two outstanding checks totaling \$210.34. Dennis gave a breakdown of all accounts and will reach out to the bank regarding CD renewal. The township received the second half of the Blandin grant. This will be deposited in the Park fund.

Approve & Pay Bills – Motion by Sandy Lyytinen to approve and pay bills with General Checking Account Check #'s 9419-9433 and Business One Checking Account Check # 1188. Karen Senger seconded the motion. MCU-3-0.

Payroll- \$1,399.90 and Claims- \$27,371.88.

Road Report- There were two rounds of contract grading. Additional work took place on Center Point, Eagle Point Spur, and Little Turtle Lake Roads. Roadside mowing was completed.

Park Report- Mowing takes place every 10 to 11 days. Someone vandalized the wooded benches on the walking trail. Domanick will move one of the playground benches to the walking trail.

Hall Report- Tracy gave an update on cleaning and blinds still need to be purchased.

Cemetery Report- None

Old Business –

Park Cameras- After discussion, this was tabled until the September meeting.

New Business-

Arvig- Roads/Fiber Optic- Arvig will reach out to the township when working near/on township roads.

District 11 Meeting Notice- No one is interested in participating in the meeting.

MATIT Property Appraisal Report- Tracy updated the board on the new appraisal.

Website Update- Tracy will get updated pictures- playground and cemetery- to Tim Johnson to update the Marcell website.

Blandin Community Grant- We received the second half of the grant. Tracy will complete the report and get it sent to BVCF.

Committee Reports – None

Motion to adjourn at 7:03 PM by Diane Coppens and Karen Senger seconded the motion. MCU-3-0.

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Chairperson

Date

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Clerk

Date