

The March 8, 2023, Regular Board Minutes were approved on April 10, 2023.

MARCELL TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING- IN-PERSON
MARCH 8, 2023, at 6:00 PM

Meeting was called to order at 5:58 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- Tim Johnson, Clif Block, Tim Hagen, Jack Hillstrom

Tim Johnson, Community Coordinator, gave a brief overview of the Edge of the Wilderness Lodging Association and how the collected 3% lodging tax dollars are spent.

February 8, 2023, Regular Board Minutes – Motion to accept the February 8, 2023, minutes was made by Karen Senger and Sandy Lyytinen seconded the motion. MCU-3-0.

Treasurer’s Report- February 28, 2023, reconciled bank balance was \$634,809.73. Dennis gave a breakdown of the accounts. There was one outstanding check.

Approve & Pay Bills – Motion by Diane Coppens to approve and pay bills with General Checking Account Check #'s 9328- 9346, approve the adjusted February claims to include the payment (check number 9327) to Eck Design for the downpayment of the Veteran’s Memorial, and the updated fund balances for the February transfer of \$11,000.00 from the General Fund to the Fire Fund. Karen Senger seconded the motion. MCU-3-0. Payroll- \$1,727.74 and Claims- \$83,231.67. February claims- \$42,582.67.

Road Report- There were two rounds of contract snowplowing. T & T made room in the park for the playground equipment drop.

Park Report- The ice rink is closed for the season.

Hall Report- The hall cleanup took place on Monday, February 27th. The extra chairs were donated to the fairground.

Cemetery Report- The names of the deceased Veterans have been sent to Eck Design. The memorial will list the Veteran’s names in order of death.

Old Business –

Levy- Final- The board has agreed on a final levy that will be brought before the township residents.

Annual Meeting- Donations- Tracy read the donation requests from area organizations. The board’s recommendation was to donate to the Marcell Family Center and the Edge of the Wilderness Discovery Center. This recommendation will be brought forth at the Annual Meeting.

Business Loan- There has been an inquiry.

Fire Department- Dennis and will reach out to the Bigfork Fire Department on behalf of the township.

New Business-

Waxing of floors- At this time, it does not need to be done.

Deep cleaning the hall- The upper windows in the main room need to be cleaned.

Audit- Dennis & Tracy- Inquiries will be made to see if other townships do an in-house audit or if they go to an outside source.

R & B Contract- Tracy will have the quote process published and posted.

Mowing Contract- Discussion took place regarding the upcoming mowing contract. The board is interested in keeping things the same. There will be more discussion at the April meeting.

Additional Lighting- Ice Rink- Karen will reach out to area electricians to see about this.

Tax & Equalization Meeting- The meeting is set for Thursday, April 20th, at 9:00 AM. Tracy will publish and post the necessary information.

Committee Reports –

Sandy attended the Fire Department Meeting. Marcell Township is looking at a hefty increase for 2024.

Karen attended the NIJPB and Highway 38 Meetings. The EOWLA was discussed.

Diane attended the Itasca County Township Association Meeting. Several topics were touched on including Huber not going to do business in Cohasset and Elder Circle needs transportation volunteers.

Motion to adjourn at 7:38 PM by Diane Coppens and Sandy Lyytinen seconded the motion. MCU-3-0.

Chairperson

Date

Clerk

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