

Marion Township meeting
December 12, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Joel Messmer at 7:00 pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Joel Messmer, John Schoenfelder, Roger Bjerke, Janet Hoffmann, Debra Raduenz, Attorney Bill Volkmar and 8 guests (Cynthia Fallon, Colleen Bjerke, Jim & Maureen Newell, Bob and Tony Bale, Ruth Boudet and Doug Wigham).

A M/M/S by Bjerke/ Schoenfelder to approve the agenda.

M/M/S by Schoenfelder/Bjerke to approve the clerk's minutes as read.

Treasurer: savings/checking \$712,056.46/ARPA funds \$413,086.86. M/M/S to approve by Bjerke/Messmer. Claims 8584 - 8603 were approved for payment per a M/M/S by Messmer/Schoenfelder. 3 yes

Aps: Cynthia Fallon presented with a metes and bounds for a boundary line adjustment on property at 5712 75th Ave SE Eyota MN. Following discussion and no objection, M/M/S Schoenfelder/ Bjerke to not object.

OLD BUSINESS:

Stormwater – no update.

LRIP – Schoenfelder met with WHKS and got the grant request submitted by the deadline following the boards special meeting. Send in for \$725,000. Will wait to see if it is approved.

ROADS – work will be done by county on county road 20 and it is a good chance for Marion to do some work on Bear Ct culvert. M/M/S by Bjerke/Schoenfelder to do this work when county does its work. 3 yes votes
Some signs at Colonial Oaks and Colonial Lane were in terrible readable shape and emergency crews had a difficult time finding area, therefore sign replacement was approved for replacement per a M/M/S by Bjerke/Schoenfelder. 3 yes.

Board was asked to take a look at replacing road by Newell's near the cemetery on their spring road check. ROADWAY ACCESS was signed and approved. Will not finish until board has a chance to read through all the changes and will follow-up at the next meeting of the board. M/M/S by Bjerke/Schoenfelder to accept this resolution but postpone publishing until after our January meeting. 3 yes

ARPA – No action tonight.

ADDITION TO TOWN HALL - Township addition is on hold waiting to see what school district will do.

DOG BITES Township again discussed dog bites by dogs owned by Liang Zhang and Alicia Kay Hanson-Chappuis and agreed both are potentially dangerous dogs. M/M/S by Bjerke /Schoenfelder to have Mr. Volkmar send the letter to Liang Zhang regarding her dog as potentially dangerous. 3 yes votes
M/M/S by Messmer/Bjerke to have Mr. Volkmar send a potentially dangerous dog letter to Alicia Hanson-Chappuis. 3 yes

Annexation - received final papers from state on Section 7 annexation. No action needed.

Marion Cemetery presented their annual report to the Town Board. Informational only.

POLLING PLACE M/M/S by Bjerke/Schoenfelder to leave polling place as town hall for township elections and the church for all other elections. 3 yes.

Publish for filing: M/M/S by Messmer/Bjerke to have the clerk publish ad for filing. 3 yes.

M/M/S by Bjerke/Schoenfelder to adjourn at 8:40 pm.

Joel Messmer, Chairman _____ Janet Hoffmann, Clerk _____