

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF MARION
APRIL 20, 2021**

1. **Call to Order:** Steve Peer, Chairman, called the regular Board meeting for the month of April to order at 6:45 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:** Present at the meeting were: Steve Peer, Chairman; Todd King, Supervisor; Jerrod Waterman, Supervisor; Judi Boughton, Clerk and Laurie King, Treasurer.

Citizens who were in attendance of the meeting were: Laurayne Fischer, Tiffany Waterman, Cal Owens, Randy Lange from Rural Insurance.

3. **Approval of Agenda:** Todd made a motion to keep the agenda items in the order posted. Jerrod seconded the motion.
4. **Proof of Publication of Meeting Notice:** Judi Boughton stated that the notice of meeting was published in the Boscobel Dial on April 8 and 15, 2021. The notice and agenda were posted at the Town Shop on Thursday, April 15, and the notice and agenda were posted on the town web site on Friday, April 16, 2021.
5. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the March 8, 2021, board meeting was distributed to all who were present and, after everyone had a chance to review the minutes, a motion was made by Todd to approve them. The motion was seconded by Jerrod.
6. **Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's report was prepared by Laurie King and read as follows:

Checking	\$	6,313.16
Equipment fund savings		52,965.08
Red school house restoration		1,289.40
People's Money Market		81,003.33
Local Gov't Inv Pool		<u>22.72</u>
Total:	\$	141,593.69

Loan Summary: Regarding the loan with Peoples State Bank, the terms of the loan are 2.49% fixed annual rate until 2025. The current loan balance is \$262,239.85. Payments of \$16,500 are due to continue quarterly until a final payment is made in June of 2025.

7. **Citizen Input:** Laurayne Fischer was present at the meeting and said on Saturday at recycling, Chris Degenhardt brought brick and rock from a fireplace they had torn out of their house and left it sitting across from the shed along the road in front of the cold patch. They were leaving it in case the township needed to fill a ditch or something. Steve said the township did not need it but would try to find a place to put it.

8. **Old Business:**

- **Update on Brechler/Evangelical Cemetery on Town Hall (Expansion/Cemetery Plotting):** No update at this time.
- **Update on Ford Dump Truck:** The truck has been moved from Mt. Hope to Jerrell Sazama's shop.
- **International Truck Insurance Settlement/Truck Replacement:** Todd is still working on checking on seeing if there is a grant that we could apply for.
- **Grader Update:** There is no update on the grader, nothing has been done in the last month.
- **Update on Grant Writer:** Todd talked to Ron Brisbois on Monday and he was going to send information and wanted to know exactly what we need. He wants to meet with Todd, so Todd thought we could set up a special meeting to discuss with the whole board. Todd has not heard anything from Carol Roth about looking into grants for us.
- **Update on Spring Cleanup:** Todd ordered two, 40-yard dumpsters for spring cleanup. Lonny and Laurayne have workers lined up.

9. **New Business:**

- **Randy Lange (Rural Insurance Policy Review):** Randy Lange was present at the meeting to review the current policy and answer questions. We currently have \$9,360 on personal property within the buildings. Attachments to building are in value of building; \$5,000 portable equipment inside building and \$2,000 outside. Blanket is so you don't have to list all tools. In reviewing policy, the salt shed and large shed are down wrong and need to be switched around so the town garage (largest) is \$73,660 and the salt shed is \$11,842. Towing and labor of \$1500. This is designed for being towed out when broken down on the highway. Vehicles are insured at agreed value. All townships insure this way. For actual cash value, the insurance company gives an evaluation and they give what it is worth. For agreed value, it is agreed that if the insurance company cannot find a replacement of like and kind, they will pay the agreed value, but the insurance company has the right to go out and find one of the same like and kind. If they cannot find a replacement, they are obligated to pay the limit on the policy. There is no difference in the cost between the agreed value and actual cost value. It is basically the same as actual cash value unless they cannot find like

and kind. Steve asked what we are paying per \$1,000. There is 25% built in above and beyond the actual value for expense of putting on signs, etc. Steve says we are paying around \$100,000 more than our actual worth on the equipment. Grader worth \$150,000; Ford truck is probably worth around \$12,000. Randy said he would have to draw up numbers and send to Judi. Liability and medical expenses limit is \$2,000,000. Public official liability is \$2,000,000. Randy offered there is a \$12 premium to pay a max up to \$2,500 to pay board member deductible on personal vehicle if they have an accident while at work. There is a \$35 per year add-on that will pay up to \$20,000 towards rent if vehicle has collision, fire or rollover; \$35 per year to put on Cat grader and another \$35 to put on dump trucks. This does not qualify for a breakdown. The board agreed to put on both for \$70/year. The board does not want the \$12 add-on for personal vehicle deductible.

- **Update on Peer Road seal coating.** Seal coaters will be doing Peer Road next when they get a chance. The corner that was fixed on Town Hall Road will also be seal coated.
- **Recycling Report (Signature):** Judi submitted the 2020 Annual Report Recycling Program Accomplishments and Actual Costs on April 11, 2021. Todd signed the paper report, which will be sent in to the rep at the DNR. Per capita recycling collection for 2020 was 44.43 pounds, which is below the collection standard of 82.40/capita.
- **Ordinance Appointing Alternate Board of Review Member:** The board asked Laurayne Fischer if she would be willing to serve as an alternate board of review member and she agreed. A motion was made by Todd to appoint Laurayne Fischer as alternate board of review member. Jerrod seconded the motion. Another new business item that Steve brought up is we have been using a lot of Cal Owens's tools in the shed jacking up vehicles. Cal has air jacks and hydraulic, 2 20-ton jack stands, air tank, tire tools (flat wrenches and maul), a big tire tool that puts them on and off rim, a 1400-lb torque inch-drive air wrench. All of this comes up to \$1,200. Cal said most was brand new in the last 1-1/2 years. Cal doesn't need all of the tools but they are needed in the shop. Steve said we either have to buy the tools or hire Don's Tire Shop to fix things. Dohnnie has been using the items in the shop. Cal said it would cost \$250 to \$300 to call Don's out to repair a tire. A motion was made by Todd for the township to buy the tools that were borrowed from Cal for \$1,200. Jerrod seconded the motion. Cal will provide an itemization of the tools for our records. (The following is an itemization provided by Cal of the tools sold for \$1,200: Air gun (\$400); air inflation tank (\$250); 2 jack stands 20 T (\$150); tire breakdown tool and bars (\$250.00); hydraulic air jack (\$150.00), for a total of \$1,200.00.)

10. Future Agenda Items: Rural insurance update, update on Peer Road, update on spring cleanup, update on grant writer.

11. Patrolman's Report: None.

12. Correspondence: Judi handed out a copy of a preliminary map for board review that was drawn up by Austin Engineering for the new portion of Tower Road. This was requested by the DOT. The board signed a thank you note to Wilma Rounds for her \$50 donation to the Red School House fund. Grant County letter asking for letters of recommendation for their Community Project Funding application.

13. Approval of Invoices: A motion was made by Jerrod to approve the April invoices. Todd seconded the motion. This includes the \$1,200 check that will be written out to Cal for tools.

Additional checks written out after the April 2021 board meeting and before the May 2021 board meeting are as follows:

- 4/20/21, #14231, Cal Owens, \$1,200.00, for shop tools.

14. Adjournment: Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Todd. Jerrod seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM. The May board meeting will be held on Monday, May 10, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith A. Boughton, Clerk