

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
TOWN OF MARION  
JULY 12, 2021**

- 1. Call to Order:** Steve Peer, Chairman, called the regular Board meeting for the month of July to order at 6:37 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: Lonny and Laurayne Fischer, Nathan Brown, Tiffany Waterman.

- 3. Approval of Agenda:** Jerrod made a motion to keep the agenda items in the order posted. Todd 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 Thursday, July 8, 2021. The notice and agenda were posted at the Town Shop and on the town web site on Tuesday, July 6, 2021.
- 5. Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the June 14, 2021, board meeting were distributed to all who were present and, after everyone had a chance to review the minutes, a motion was made by Jerrod to approve them. The motion was seconded by Todd.
- 6. Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's report was prepared by Laurie King and read as follows:

Checking	\$ 7,845.87
Equipment fund savings	42,966.36
Red school house restoration	1,530.68
People's Money Market	57,298.84
Local Gov't Inv Pool	<u>22.72</u>
 Total:	 \$ 109,664.47

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 \$247,385.71. Payments of \$16,500 are due to continue quarterly until a final payment is made in June of 2025. The ARPA funds in the amount of \$30,406.22 remain in the money market account. Laurie is in the process of setting up a separate account for these funds. We received half of the funds on June 25 and will receive the other half at the same time in 2022. The August settlement will be around \$43,678.41 and will be received mid to late August.

**7. Citizen Input:** Lonny Fischer said he thinks it would be wise to start looking for a blade if we are going to put one on the Ford pickup as he thinks it will be harder to find one and it will cost more as we get closer to winter.

**8. Old Business:**

- **Update on Ford Dump Truck.** The Ford dump truck is sitting behind the shop. The repair invoice is \$2,036.36, and it seems to be working fine.
- **Update on Cab for International.** Steve has not heard anything from Cal on this.
- **Salt Shed Bids Update.** No Bids have been received. Jerrod said Top Notch will be getting a hold of Steve.
- **Patching Update.** Patching was not done on Smokey Hollow because Steve thinks the soft spots should be tore out and fixed up properly. The rest of the roads are patched except for a little on Town Hall Road.
- **Update on New Employee.** Nathan recently tried for his CDL and will try again. He would like help with the cost of obtaining his CDL. He rented a truck from the person who does the CDL testing. It will cost around \$450 for permits, etc. and he rented a truck. Steve thought if we paid half it would be fair at \$225. The board agreed on giving Nathan \$225 when he gets his CDL.
- **American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Update.** As above, under treasurer's report, the township has received half of the funds in the amount of \$30,406.22 and will receive the other half in June of 2022.

Laurie is in the process of setting up a separate account. Final determination has not been set out as to what these funds can be used for. Judi said we will be needing to purchase new voting equipment in the amount of \$3,849, and possibly this is one thing that would fall under their guidelines. Steve talked to Travis Kramer, and he said he would send us a letter as soon as it is decided what we can spend the funds on. Laurie said they were asking from guidance from small towns and wanted input. Comments would need to be sent to the US Treasurer by July 16. Board discussed.

- **Update on Brechler/Evangelical Cemetery on Town Hall (Expansion/Cemetery Plotting).** Steve said Lisa Rounds has been on vacation and will get the quit claim deed drawn up soon.
- **Locks on doors.** Todd is changing out the locks on the doors. He has 2 locks (one for upper shed and one for lower shed) and wondered if he needed a 3<sup>rd</sup>. He will be making extra keys.

#### 9. New Business:

- **Brechler Cemetery -- Darcy Chappell Purchase of Cemetery Plots.** Darcy Chappell is looking to purchase 2 plots next to her mom and dad (Don and Betty Wetter) in the Brechler cemetery and wanted to know what the cost is. Recent plots were sold were in 2019 to Galen Freymiller in Crown Hill Cemetery and were sold for \$250/plot. The Board agreed the price of \$250 would be the same for Darcy. The board discussed working on plotting out the new portion of the cemetery. May need 4 stakes for each plot. We can go forward with this when we get the paperwork for the cemetery expansion first.
- **Petition for Appropriation for the Improvement of a Highway (2022 Grant County Road Aid).** Steve suggested appropriating funds to Smokey Hollow where they have to dig out wet spots and refill with a base. Todd made a motion to do Smokey Hollow. Jerrod seconded the motion. (In further looking at the Petition for Appropriation for the Improvement of a Highway, a motion was made at the annual meeting on April 20, 2022 to appropriate the funds to Town Hall Road, re-shaping and seal coating. The petition was filled out and signed by Steve accordingly.)

**10.Future Agenda Items:** Update on international cab, salt shed update, cemetery update, ARPA update.

**11.Patrolman’s Report:** None.

**12.Correspondence:** None.

**13. Approval of Invoices:** A motion was made by Jerrod to approve the July invoices. Todd seconded the motion.

Additional checks written out after the July 2021 board meeting and before the August 2021 board meeting are as follows:

- 7/12/2021 #14306 Scott Construction, \$3,759.91.
- 7/26/2021 Peoples State Bank, insufficient funds fee, \$30.00.

**14.Adjournment:** Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Todd. Jerrod seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 PM. The August board meeting will be held on Monday, August 9, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Judith A. Boughton, Clerk