

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF MARION
FEBRUARY 14, 2022**

1. **Call to Order:** Steve Peer, Chairman, called the regular Board meeting for the month of February to order at 6:37 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:** Present at the meeting were: Steve Peer, Chairman; Jerrod Waterman, Supervisor; Todd King, Supervisor; Judi Boughton, Clerk and Laurie King, Treasurer.

Citizens who were in attendance of the meeting were: Laurayne and Lonny Fischer, Nathan Napp, 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, February 10, 2022. The notice and agenda were posted at the Town Shop on February 11, 2022, and on the town web site on February 12, 2022.
5. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the January 10, 2022, board meeting were 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 and read by Laurie King as follows:

Checking	\$	324,843.14
Equipment fund savings		52,968.74
Red school house restoration		2,111.32
People's Money Market		65,547.78
ARPA Funds		30,406.89
Local Gov't Inv Pool		<u>22.72</u>
Total:	\$	475,900.59

Per Board, Laurie will transfer \$7,500 for this year into the equipment fund as budgeted.

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 \$217,381.30. Payments of \$16,500 are due to continue quarterly until a final payment is made in June of 2025.

7. Citizen Input: Lonny said the Amish will be building a new school on Tower Road this summer on Levi Beiler's property. Lonny thought we may need a caution sign for children walking at the hill going up Tower road near the old Wetter place. Judi will let assessor know of the school for probable tax exempt status. Laurie volunteered to send contact information on building permits and who to contact through the Grant County Conservation, Sanitation & Zoning Department (CSZD) regarding setbacks, shoreland/floodplain zoning, etc.

8. Old Business:

- **International 7400 Plow Truck Cab (Windshield):** Steve got a price on a windshield for the IH plow truck at \$450 and putting it in will be \$200 from Denny Swenson. He had a price on the door too, but Steve thought that price was a little high. Nathan Napp doesn't think a door will shut so may want to get a door before the windshield as the door frame is sprung. Long-term, Steve said we need to eliminate one of the two trucks, either this one or the Ford truck and, he thought in all fairness, the Ford truck is working well since Jerrell fixed it up. Steve asked the board if they wanted to fix the IH that had been wrecked. Jerrod recommended waiting, so they will put off for the time being.
- **American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Update:** Now that the Treasury Department has released the "Final Rule," the township needs to decide on the use of the ARPA funds. Laurie was explaining the service and loss of revenue threshold of \$10 million. Steve said he was leaning toward getting a well and electricity on the new property on Tower Road and adding a bay. He will check on the price of a well, electricity, power post and meter box.

- **Update on Brechler/Evangelical Cemetery on Town Hall (Expansion/Cemetery Plotting):** There has not been any progress on this.
- **Update on Plow for Ford Pickup:** (Steve said the agenda item should be “update on plow for cutting edge on Ford dump truck.”) Steve said they bought 2 cutting edges, and he gave Chad Line \$100 to pick them up in Monroe.

9. New Business:

New business not on the agenda, Steve asked Todd if he could check with Boscobel Fire Department why they would request 4 or 5 fire departments to come out to a recent fire in the township.

- **Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Funding (FFY 2022-2026):** Steve would like to check into replacing the Mertz bridge on Town Hall. Follow up at the March meeting.
- **Election Voting Machine Update/Training:** Judi said the new voting machines are in and she and the chief inspectors will be receiving training at the county.

10.Future Agenda Items: Brechler Cemetery update, Ford blade on pickup update. Bid out seal coating and gravel – advertise for April meeting.

11.Patrolman’s Report: International has bad tires on the front and jumps around a little. Look at snow plow situation on Ford pickup.

Discussed what roads need to be re-sealcoated this year; consider Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Funding.

12.Correspondence: None.

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

Additional checks written out after the February 2022 board meeting and before the March 2022 board meeting are:

- None.

14.Adjournment: Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Todd. Jerrod seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45

PM. The March board meeting will be held on Monday, March 14, 2022,
at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith A. Boughton, Clerk