

December 30, 2024

The Board of Trustees of Marion Township, Marion County, Ohio met in its year-end meeting. Mr. Ballinger called the meeting to order at 10:00 am with the following members and visitors present:

Mr. Larry Ballinger	Present	Mr. Ben Creasap	Present
Ms. Karen McCleary	Present	Ms. Sheila Perin	Present

EMPLOYEES: Mark McCleary, Ben Meddles

GUESTS: Bryan McCleary

Pledge of allegiance.

Budget figures were distributed to the Board. Figures were reviewed and board members were encouraged to review and final approval of the 2025 budget will be at the January 7, 2025 meeting.

Mr. Creasap will be the township board chairman for 2025. Ms. McCleary is vice-chairman, and Mr. Ballinger is trustee.
Motion to approve trustee duties

Ms. McCleary distributed the listing for the 2025 duties of the trustees as follows:

Chairperson – Ben Creasap

Vice-Chairman – Karen McCleary

Trustee – Larry Ballinger

Fire Dept. – Ballinger and McCleary

Road Dept. – Creasap and Ballinger

Zoning, Zoning Boards, Zoning Regulations – McCleary and Ballinger

Meeting Prep and Agendas – McCleary

Special Resolutions, Public Relations – McCleary and Perin

Cemeteries – Creasap and Ballinger

Legal – McCleary and Ballinger

Equipment and Facilities – Ballinger and Creasap

Township Hall Manager – McCleary

Health Department Rep - McCleary

Grandview lighting – Creasap

Regional Planning Board Rep – McCleary

Board Land Bank rep -- Ballinger

Budget, Financial Reports, Employee Affairs and Township letters – All trustees

Wi-Fi, township building manager – Mark McCleary

Ms. McCleary made a motion to approve the duties of the trustees for 2025; Mr. Creasap seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Creasap to complete all year-end transactions effective December 31, 2024 seconded by Mr. Ballinger. Motion carried.

Meeting dates for 2025 will remain the same as the first Tuesday of every month. Ms. McCleary distributed a meeting schedule for the 2025 dates.

Goals for 2025 were discussed.

- 1. Focus on moving forward with new fire dept. bldg. at New Park Drive location
- 2. Historical documents in storage room need to be addressed
- 3. Clean and organize storage room
- 4. Update records retention schedule.

Ms. McCleary made a motion to approve the health insurance rates for 2025:

Single -- \$59.62 per pay
Employee/child -- \$116.25 per pay
Family -- \$196.73 per pay

Pay increase figures were presented to the Board for approval:

3% wage increase for road department employees, along with Zoning Inspector and Zoning Secretary.

New rates as follows:

	Current	2025 wage
Ron Phillips	\$18.33	\$18.69/hr.
Terry Lane	16.71	17.04/hr.
Junior Dunn	16.71	17.04/hr.
Virgil Spurgeon	16.71	17.04/hr.
Jennifer Sidle	\$6,000/annually	\$6,200.00/annually
Mark McCleary	\$13,563.12	\$13,834.38

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Ballinger to adjourn. Mr. Creasap seconded the motion and roll call was as follows: Ms. McCleary, yes; Mr. Ballinger, yes; Mr. Creasap, yes. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 pm.

_____	Ms. Karen McCleary, Chairman
_____	Mr. Larry Ballinger, Vice-Chairman
_____	Mr. Ben Creasap, Trustee
_____	Ms. Sheila Perin, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Marion Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and /or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in the meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.