

April 4, 2023

The Board of Trustees of Marion Township, Marion County, Ohio met in a regular meeting. Ms. McCleary called the meeting to order 5:30 pm with the following members and visitors present:

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

EMPLOYEES: Chief Meddles, Mark McCleary

GUESTS: No guests in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Road paving bids were received from Shelly & Sands, Kokosing and Park Enterprise Construction. The bids were opened by Ms. Perin and the results are as follows:

Shelly & Sands -- \$269,294.00
Park Enterprise -- \$389,586.30
Kokosing Construction -- \$292,825.50

Bid will be awarded to Shelly and Sands based on their lowest bid. Bid specs will be sent to Roger Dietrich for final review. Mr. Creasap made a motion to accept the bid received from Shelly & Sands for \$269,294.00; Mr. Ballinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. McCleary asked for a moment of silence held for the recent passing of zoning board member Clancey Devore.

Ms. Perin reported that the only correspondence received was from the Marion County Engineer for the chip and seal program. Deadline for the submittal of this is April 21, 2023. Information given to Mr. Creasap who will handle.

Mr. Ballinger made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from March 7, 2023; Mr. Creasap seconded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Donation to the Marion County Historical Society was discussed. Marion County Historical Society attended the March 7, 2023 township meeting and asked for a donation of \$50,000 based on the monies received from ARPA. At this time the Board voted not to provide the Historical Society with a donation. It has not been decided as yet how the ARPA monies will be spent. This subject may be revisited at a later date.

Chief Meddles is asking for approval to proceed with the MTFD Safer Grant application for (3) new firefighters. Chief's recommendation is to apply for (3) and no more than that. Motion was made by Mr. Creasap to allow Chief to proceed with the application; seconded by Mr. Ballinger. Motion carried.

Discussion held regarding the new employee policy manual. Ms. McCleary's recommendation is that the manual is reviewed in increments. The goal for the May 2023 township meeting is to review pages 1-20 and discuss these pages then.

Discussion held regarding EMS service to other townships. Pleasant township held a fire meeting and it was decided to charge \$300/run. Chief feels the charge should be across the board. Chief Meddles reported that MedCare is supposedly ceasing service June 30 of this year. Nothing will change for our billing

Levy discussion/needs – Chief Meddles received an email from Angie Smith about the levies. The township will have (3) opportunities to place the levies on the ballot. Chief Meddle's recommendation is that we do a continuous levy for both fire and road. Discussion held among the board members about when to place the fire department and road department levies on the ballot.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Creasap made a motion to participate in the county chip and seal program for Waterworks Rd.; seconded by Ms. McCleary. Motion carried.

Mr. Creasap made a motion to accept the resignation of Firefighter Brad Lee effective March 24; seconded by Mr. Ballinger. Motion carried.

Ms. McCleary made a motion to accept the appointment of Stanley Werling to the Marion Township Zoning Commission; seconded by Mr. Creasap. Motion carried.

Chief Meddles is asking for approval for Operational Farm Shield which is an outside event to be held at the Township Complex in July of 2023. This is an event for farmers to receive Industrial Safety training through BWC. Ms. McCleary made a motion to approve this event; seconded by Mr. Creasap. Motion carried.

Mr. Creasap made a motion to allow Ron Phillips to contact Mann’s Seamless Spouting for a quote to replace the gutters on building #2. Mr. Ballinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Zoning

	2 March 2023
Bohler Engineering	Marion Waldo Rd.
	\$200.00
Steve Roberson	160 Parkview
	\$50.00
	\$250.00

Mark McCleary read quotes for the repair of the road department building. Mann’s Roofing \$15,860.00; Sapp’s Run Metals LLC \$21,000 and \$34,000, Sapp’s Run Metals \$24,500 BC/LB. (provide resolution);

Mark reported on the tires at Logan Tire.

Road Department

Pot hole patched (Linda Mel, Lindberg, Jamesway, Edgefield Blvd.)
 Picked up litter on (Fountain , Lindberg, Phoenix Dr) 5 days
 Worked on tile on Forest Hill Dr.

Cleaned catch basins all township
Opened up Quarry Park
Fixed signs on Hathaway and Cottage St. (new signs)
Fixed alley between Emerson Ave. and Euclid Ave.
Cleaned salt out of trucks
Fixed yards on Virginia Ave, Laura Dr, and Trachsel Ave.
Snow and Ice three days
Wilson LLC started remodel of Building Three

Fire Department

Need to accept the resignation from Brad Lee. He will be moving onto Marysville Fire.

Chief needs to replace 2 mattresses at Station Two. Replaced Station One's a few years back and now St 2 needs new ones.

Station 0Two FF's have requested their HVAC Ducts to be cleaned. Cost associated with this was one quote for \$561.99. A company out of Delaware Ohio. We have never cleaned these ducts for as long as I've been employed here. Chief will reach out and get a couple more estimates before the May meeting.

As everyone knows, the fire department is down 5 firefighters. Chief has opened the window for applicants and soon will close at the end of the month. Chief has applied for an AFG SAFER Grant that could assist us in 3 new positions. If this is NOT awarded, we will need to fulfill those positions as well later this year.

Gutter has broken away from building #2 and needs repaired. Mark was notified and believe Ron P. was calling to get repaired.

Chief asked to see if the Township Hall would be available for outside gathering for Operational Farm Shield this year? This is an event started last year to invite local farmers in to discuss safety issues. Fire department partners with other area fire departments, Ohio BWC and OSU Extension to host this safety day. It will be a Saturday in July TBA and Chief will be in attendance.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Ballinger made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Creasap seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:49m.

_____	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.