

February 7, 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, Ron Phillips

GUESTS: Michael Williams

PUBLIC COMMENT: Michael Williams, of 2161 Harding Highway W., spoke about the Lester McMurray property on Harding Hwy W. He said the property is looking better but it is still a mess with multiple tires, junk vehicles, etc.

Ms. McCleary asked for a moment of silence for former township trustee, Dick Rasmussen who passed away on January 3, 2023.

Mr. Ballinger made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from January 3, 2023; Mr. Creasap seconded. Motion carried.

Communication: No communication received.

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution to purchase Generac generator for Station #1 and amended resolution for generator at 1228 E. Fairground St.

MARION TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION

NO. 2023 – 0207

RESOLUTION for the purchase of a Generac Generator

IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF MARION TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES TO ACCEPT A QUOTE AND PURCHASE A GENERAC GQT0025A 25 KW 120/240V Natural Gas. Price to include a precast concrete slab to set the generator. Price also includes extending the gas line from the meter to the generator. Price is based on the generator sitting beside the electrical service and gas service. Transfer switch will be mounted on the exterior of the building below the meter. Generator is a commercial generator and will be located at 1228 E. Fairground St., Marion, OH 43302.

WHEREAS, Marion Township Trustees believe that this purchase of a generator for the township administration building in the event of a power outage and will be used in the event of a disaster to protect and provide emergency services for the citizens of Marion County.

WHEREAS, a proposal for a Generac generator was brought before the board on February 7, 2023 at a cost of \$22,856.00 and would be purchased from the American Rescue Plan Act fund (2273).

WHEREAS, it was moved by Karen McCleary, seconded by Ben Creasap to authorize the Board of Marion Township Trustees to approve the purchase of a Generac **GQT0025A 25 KW 120/240V** at a cost of \$22,856.00.

Vote by roll call: Ms. McCleary, yes; Mr. Creasap, yes.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Marion Township Board of Trustees will purchase a Generac **GQT0025A 25 KW 120/240V** generator at a cost of \$22,856.00

WHEREUPON the resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of February 2023.

Discussion regarding EMS service to other townships. Chief Meddles reported that MedCare is supposedly ceasing service but he has not received anything as yet. Ms. McCleary is suggesting that we meet with the townships affected and discuss options.

NEW BUSINESS

Indigent burial information was presented by the fiscal officer. Discussion held regarding the decedent and the following resolution was read by the fiscal officer. Mr. Ballinger will take care of the decedent's ashes (giving them to the son), and Ms. Perin will take care of applying for the reimbursement from the State of Ohio.

MARION TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-0207

WHEREAS, ORC Section 9.15 provides that when a deceased body is found in a township or municipal corporation and the body is not claimed by anyone or is claimed by someone who is indigent, then the township or municipality in which the deceased body had been a legal resident at the time of death shall cause the deceased body to be buried or cremated at its expense, and

WHEREAS, the township desires to set forth procedures to comply with the law and pay for the proper indigent burial expenses

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY MARION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MARION, OH:

SECTION 1. That upon notice from a funeral home that it has a deceased indigent person for cremation or burial, the township fiscal officer shall request residency and financial information from the funeral home and/or other person claiming the deceased indigent person. The township fiscal officer in consultation with legal counsel, will make the determination regarding first the residency of the decedent and then regarding the indigency of said decedent. If found that the decedent was a resident of Marion Township at the time of death and was indigent, the township fiscal officer shall authorize the payment for cremation of the decedent's body in the amount of \$1,000. The township fiscal officer is further authorized to apply for reimbursement from any program for indigent burial or cremation.

SECTION 2. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period by law.

Roll call as follows: Ms. McCleary, yes; Mr. Creasap, yes; Mr. Ballinger, yes. Motion carried.

WHEREUPON the resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of February, 2023.

Chief Meddles presented a procurement policy to the Board. The procurement policy is used for purchasing equipment and follows proper procedure. The procurement policy is required to purchase equipment under FEMA guidelines.

Copies of the Policy and Procedure Manual that was completed by Drew from Clemson-Nelson was distributed to the Board. The trustees will review and edit and the Board will review any changes at next month's township meeting in March.

Ron Phillips from the Road Department is asking for a desktop computer for his office. After a brief discussion, it was suggested that he use the extra laptop that was purchased with Covid monies. The laptop has never been used and Mark McCleary will assist Ron is getting the laptop set up for use.

Committee Reports

Zoning

3	January 2023
Visual Express	370 W. Fairgrounds
	\$400.00
Cathy Pace	320 Parkview Ave.
	<u>\$550.00</u>
Donald Williams	1806 South Ave
	\$600.00
	\$1,550.00

Road Department

Fixed stop sign (Brook park and Marion-Edison)
Worked on truck#399
Pot-hole patched Jamesway and Woodridge
Cut trees on Park St.

Fixed berm various locations due to plow damage
Fixed street sign on Colorado(new sign)
Fixed back up camera on truck #395
Tried to unplug tile at 1230 Oakwood(unsuccessful) County worked On their end and it seemed to help. Probably will contact Pickens depending on future problems
Cleaned out tile on Building #3.
Couple of days of snow and ice

Fire Department

Chief's finishing up latest FEMA AFG. Asking for new rescue tools for Engine Rescue.
Generator is due to come in March. Need resolution for the generator at Hall and modify the previous resolution to station address.
Need to pass Procurement Policy for the township as presented.
Need to accept Chris McClain's resignation.

Mr. Ballinger made a motion to adjourn out of Regular Session and enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Ms. McCleary seconded and the board entered into executive session at 6:46 pm.

Mr. Ballinger made a motion to adjourn out of executive session and re-enter into regular session. Ms. McCleary seconded the motion. The board adjourned out of executive session and re-entered into regular session at 7:19 pm.

Motion to accept the resignation of Chris McClain effective February 7.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Ballinger made a motion to adjourn; Ms. McCleary seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:20 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.