

January 3, 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:** Kevin Davidson, Marion County Sheriff's Office

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

A motion was made by Ms. McCleary to accept the position of Chairman (McCleary) and Vice-Chairman (Creasap) and committee assignments as presented at the year-end meeting held on December 30, 2022. Seconded by Mr. Ballinger. Motion carried.

Ms. McCleary asked for a moment of silence for former township trustee. Bob Ferguson, who recently passed away.

Mr. Ballinger made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from December 6, 20; 22 and the year-end meeting minutes from December 30, 2022 Mr. Creasap seconded. Motion carried.

Communication: Ms. Perin presented the annual resolution and rates received from Brosius, Johnson and Griggs LLC. Ms. Perin will take care of paperwork. Also received notice from Aqua advising of rate increases.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Temporary budget items discussed with an explanation of several line items. The temporary budget resolution was read by Ms. Perin and will be submitted to county auditor's office by deadline.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

New wage increase discussed for road department employees and zoning inspector. Ms. McCleary is recommending a 5% wage increase effective January 1, 2023. New wage figures are as follows:

Ron Phillips \$18.33/hr

Terry Lane and Virgil Spurgeon both receive \$16.71/hr

Junior Dunn remains at \$15.41/hr during his probationary period. After probationary period has ended – February 14 will bump up to \$16.71/hr

Mark McCleary \$565.13/per pay

The Generac generator resolution was tabled until February meeting when township will receive a firm quote.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Zoning**

No report

#### **Road Department**

Pothole patched Collinswood, Jamesway, and Mayfield Dr.

Changed oil in vehicles #391 and 390

Changed oil and sharpened blades in all mowers

Cleaned tile on Hickory and Lindberg Drives

Pre-treated all township roads prior to weather event

Crews worked clearing roads on December 23, 24, 25, and 26

December 25 Ron and Virgil worked clearing Orton Ave.

Large plow truck ruptured a hydraulic hose and had to be sent for repair ( \$1000 estimate) to repair

New truck just purchased had a damaged camera ( in for repairs next week)

HAPPY NEW YEAR

### **Fire Department**

Fire Station 1 had a major break down and the engine blew. Contacted Owens Electric. Mike advised that the generator ordered for Twp. Hall will work for Station 1 and he will place a generator at the Twp Hall from in stock unit.

Quote was \$12,656.00.

After placing an order for the new medic unit, was contacted and the chassis for this order is not available. A 4x4 chassis is available for a small upcharge of \$3500.00. Chief ok'ed the additional to start the process.

Chief advised we have a roof leak in the South East corner of Twp. Hall. Needs attention.

The workout room is completed. Exercise machines are moved.

Negotiations are still ongoing. No meetings are scheduled at this time.

Medicount's service contract is coming up for renewal in May 2023. Chief recommends renewing the contract when they present one.

EAP is in place. Chief will have fliers at all locations with contact numbers.

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 6:30 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 6:46 pm.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Ballinger made a motion to adjourn; Ms. McCleary seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:46 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.