

March 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

GUESTS: Fred Malone, Mike Yost, Brandi Wilson, Kevin Davidson

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mike Yost wanted to discuss the problem properties located at 495 Fountain, 515 Fountain, 624 Fountain and a property on Lexington Ave. The township will investigate these properties but as Ms. McCleary explained, our hands are tied as to what we can do. The township will again look at these properties.

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

Communication: Ms. Perin explained her communication with the Marion County Engineer's office regarding the \$50,000 street sign grant that she was emailed about. Upon talking to Brian Davidson from ODOT, the township received monies back in 2016 and therefore is not eligible to apply for this grant.

Fred Malone and Brandi Wilson were in attendance from the Marion County Historical Society. Mr. Malone explained that the building needs various repairs. He reported that he spoke with the Marion County Auditor's office and was notified of the amount of ARPA monies Marion Township received. He knows that ARPA funding can be used to contribute to various agencies and he is asking Marion Township for a donation of \$50,000 to the Marion County Historical Society to help with their repairs.

OLD BUSINESS

Approval of Permanent Budget for 2023. A few minor changes will need to be made to the permanent budget and Chief Meddles has some changes to the fire fund.

New employee policy manual – tabled until next meeting.

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.

Levy discussion/needs – discussion held among the board members about when to place the fire department and road department levies on the ballot.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Meddles reported that Jerry Gandee announced his retirement effective March 15, 2023. The fire department is currently down four employees.

Safer grant for six new employees.

The following resolutions were read by the fiscal officer:

MARION TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION

NO. 2023-0307(a)

RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE MOBILE RADIO

IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF MARION TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FRANKLIN COUNTY EMA FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) MOBILE MOTOROLA APX 4500 RADIO

WHEREAS, Marion Township Trustees and Marion Township Fire Department are tasked with maintaining and upgrading their equipment as needed. Therefore the time has come to purchase a new APX 4500 Motorola Radio for the newly ordered Ambulance by the Marion Township Fire Department, in order to protect and provide emergency care for Marion Township residents and the Marion community, and

WHEREAS, a proposal for one (1) APX 4500 mobile radio and accessories at a cost of \$3,088.36.

WHEREAS, it was moved by Ms. McCleary, seconded by Mr. Ballinger to authorize the board of Marion Township Trustees to approve the purchase of a Motorola APX 4500 mobile radio from Franklin County EMA and Homeland Security.

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

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Marion Township Board of Trustees will enter into an agreement with Franklin County EMA and Homeland Security for the purchase of one (1) APX 4500 Motorola mobile radio.

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

**MARION TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION
NO. 2023-0307 (b)**

RESOLUTION FOR PAVEMENT TECHNOLOGY, INC.

IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF MARION TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH PAVEMENT TECHNOLOGY, INC. 24144 DETROIT RD., WESTLAKE, OH 44145 TO SEAL PREVIOUSLY PAVED ROADS TO EXTEND THEIR LIFE.

WHEREAS, Marion Township Trustees are tasked with maintaining roads in the township, and

WHEREAS, a proposal for sealing previously paved roads was brought before the Trustees on March 7, 2023, at a total cost of \$22,511.25. The following roads would be resealed in this project: Southland Parkway; Brookpark; Drexel; Isel; Eustic; Olive; and Van Atta. The unit price of \$1.15 per square yard is inclusive of traffic control, notification of residents and all labor and material necessary to complete the work.

WHEREAS, it was moved by Karen McCleary, seconded by Larry Ballinger to authorize the board of Marion Township Trustees to enter into a contract with Pavement Technology, Inc. at a cost of \$22,511.25.

Vote by roll call: Mrs. McCleary, yes; Mr. Ballinger, yes; Mr. Ben Creasap, yes

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Marion Township Board of Trustees will enter into a contract with **PAVEMENT TECHNOLOGY, INC.** for the sealing of previously paved roads to extend their life.

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

**MARION TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION
NO. 2023 – 0307 (c)**

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT QUOTE FOR REMODEL OF ROAD
DEPARTMENT BUILDING**

IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF MARION TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES TO ACCEPT A QUOTE FROM JERRY WILSON CONTRACTING LLC FOR THE REMODEL OF THE ROAD DEPARTMENT BUILDING LOCATED AT 1228 E. FAIRGROUND STREET, MARION, OH 43302

WHEREAS, Marion Township Trustees received a quote from Jerry Wilson Contracting LLC for the remodel of the road department building of the township complex for the purpose of upgrading the road department offices including bathrooms, etc.

WHEREAS, a proposal from Jerry Wilson Contracting LLC for the remodel of the road department building located at 1228 E. Fairground Street, Marion, OH 43302 was brought before the board on March 7, 2023 at a cost of \$14,875.00 and would be purchased from the General Fund (1000).

WHEREAS, it was moved by Karen McCleary, seconded by Ben Creasap to authorize the Board of Marion Township Trustees to approve the estimate from Jerry Wilson Contracting LLC for the remodel of the road department building in the amount of \$14,875.00.

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Marion Township Board of Trustees will accept the quote as presented from Jerry Wilson Contracting LLC for the remodel of the road department building in the amount of \$14,875.00.

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

MARION TOWNSHIP RESOLUITON

NO. 2023-0307(d)

Resolution for the Purchase of ICE Rescue Suits

IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF MARION TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MES FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) NRS EXTREME DRY SUITS AND TWO (2) ICEE COMMANDER SUITS

WHEREAS, Marion Township Trustees and Marion Township Fire Department are tasked with maintaining and replacing their equipment when needed, and the need has come to replace worn out rescue suits over 10 years old in order to protect and provide emergency care for Marion Township residents and the Marion community, and

WHEREAS, a proposal for two (2) Ice Commander Suits and four (4) NRS Dry Suits at a cost of \$4,590.00

WHEREAS, it was moved by Ms. McCleary, and seconded by Mr. Ballinger to authorize the Board of Marion Township Trustees to approve the purchase of new water rescue suits.

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

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Marion Township Board of Trustees approve the purchase from MES for two (2) Ice Commander Suits and four (4) NRS Dry Rescue Suits at a cost of \$4,590.00

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

MARION TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION NO. 2023-0307(e)

Resolution for Marion Township 2023 Road Paving project

IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF MARION TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES TO TAKE BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PARTICIPATING IN LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS.

WHEREAS, Marion Township is planning to make or perform several road improvements for 2023 and

WHEREAS, these infrastructure improvements are considered to be priority needs for the community and are qualified projects within the Marion Township Road Department rotation list and

WHEREAS, road paving costs have been projected and estimated by the Marion County Engineer's Office for 2023, and

WHEREAS, legal notice will be published for bidding of said roads in local newspaper and specifications will be available on the Marion Township Website, www.mariontpw.org and by contacting the Marion Township Fiscal Officer, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; that the Chairman of the board of Marion Township Trustees, Ms. Karen McCleary is hereby authorized to enter into contract, on behalf of the board, with the lowest bidding contractor, and that Mr. Roger Dietrich, Consultant will be the contact person for the road paving project.

IT WAS MOVED BY; Karen McCleary, seconded by Ben Creasap to authorize the board of Marion Township Trustees to enter into contract for the purpose of participating in the local transportation improvement project.

Vote on motion: Mr. Ballinger, yes; Mr. Creasap, yes; Ms. McCleary, yes.

WHEREUPON the resolution was declared adopted this 7th day of March 2023 and that bid opening is scheduled for April 4, 2023 at 5:30pm, at the meeting of the Marion Township Trustee.

Committee Reports

Zoning

	February 2023
Cenmak	1339 Marion Williamsport
	\$600.00
Michael Hilton	2060 Marion Williamsport
	<u>\$50.00</u>
	\$650.00

Road Department

Removed tree limbs on Cottage St.(Wind)

Pothole patched Jamesway, Kingwood, Yorkshire, Lawndale
Fixed man hole covers on Merkle and Herbert
Repaired yard damage caused by snow plows
Worked on spinner motor on truck 398
Checked out drainage problems due to heavy rains
Cleaned out gutters and curbs on Southland Pwy and New Park Dr. (rented air compressor from Rent All)
Fixed Road Closed sign on Lexington Ave.
Worked on Bobcat
Fixed Speed Limit sign on Mayfield Dr.

Fire Department

First, I'll start with FF Gandee had his 25-year anniversary with MTFD on March 1. March 6, 2023, he submitted his intent to retire on March 15th being his last day. FF Gandee has done a lot for our department and Marion Township. Started our Safety Trailer program, Car seat check, Junior Fire Setter program and our in-house CPR guy. Jerry Gandee will be missed and I wish him the best retirement.

With the purchase of our new squad. I would like to have approval to purchase a mobile radio for that unit. Franklin County purchased some radios and now won't be needing them as they thought. These are new radios with new warranty. Cost is \$3088.36.

I'm in the final parts of submitting for a Firefighter Safer Grant from FEMA. I'm writing this grant for 6 new fire fighters. We currently have 4 positions open right now and I'm hoping to fill one of those ASAP. The other positions will be filled by the 100% paid for SAFER Grant.

Lt. Ball and FF Schlecht have asked for money to paint and replace broken light fixtures and Station 2.

Chief Thomas requested funds to replace white boards in the kitchen for day to day operations and training.

311 has check engine light on. Found to be a faulty EGR valve. Parts on order. Also finally believe we have chased the gremlins from the leveling system on bucket.

Chief has submitted grant through FEMA for new hydraulic rescue tools.

Chief has submitted grant through the State fire marshal for new 1" ¾ hose.

Requesting approval tonight to replace some worn out ice rescue and water rescue gear. This gear is well over 10 years old and is no longer repairable from manufacture. Cost of rescue gear is \$4,590.00. That is for (4) NRS Dry Suits and (2) Ice Commander Rescue Suits.

The OBWC Safety Grant is now open as well and checking into purchasing needed items with that grant. More to come soon.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Ballinger made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Creasap seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:50 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.