

May 4, 2021

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. Lynn Thomas	Present	Ms. Sheila Perin	Present

EMPLOYEES: Chief Meddles, Mark McCleary

GUESTS: Roger Dietrich, Bob Snavely, Joe Jacobik

Mr. Thomas made a motion to approve the April 13, 2021 meeting minutes. Mr. Ballinger seconded. Motion carried.

Correspondence – Correspondence received from Taylor Christian thanking the board for allowing him to make a presentation at the April 13 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Joe Jacobik from First Energy spoke to the Board of Trustees regarding the lighting project for Eckley Dr. Mr. Jacobik is recommending the vapor light for now but eventually will this will be replaced by LED which is more cost effective. Mr. Thomas will contact the county auditor's office to discuss setting up another lighting district (such as Grandview). He will also ascertain whether all of the residents in the proposed area are in agreement with the lighting costs.

OLD BUSINESS

Electric aggregation update – Bob Snavely of Palmer Energy was in attendance to present paperwork for the electric aggregation program for locking in electric pricing through April 2023. Ms. McCleary made a motion to approve; seconded by Mr. Ballinger. Motion carried.

50th anniversary for MTFD event – Chief Meddles discussed costs for the anniversary event. He is asking for a cap of \$2500 which would be approximately \$10/person. The event will be held on June 27, 2021.

Discussion on food truck operations within the township. Marion has no guidelines regarding food trucks. Ms. McCleary spoke with Michelle from the Health Dept. Mark McCleary will bring it up at the zoning meeting on Thursday, May 6 to get their opinions on food trucks. More discussion to follow.

Landscape quotes for township hall – Ms. Perin is hoping to set up a meeting next week with Proscap rep and will follow-up at next meeting.

Township drainage/road tile issues – Roger Dietrich reported on Kingwood Dr. (Hughes residence) –a riser had been mulched over. It was under 6 inches of mulch. At the north end of his property – pictures showing water collecting between Hughes and Dendinger's residence. Mr. Dietrich's recommendation is that a 2x2 catch basin and a riser be placed along the north side of Dendinger's driveway. He received a quote from Josh Daniels – \$3500 and \$1,000 to run a camera. Mr. Thomas made a motion to have Josh Daniels install the catch basin and riser. Mr. Ballinger seconded the motion. Roll call as follows: McCleary; yes; Ballinger; yes; Thomas, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Dietrich also reported that at the far north end of Forest Hill Dr. a pipe is corroded and a corrugated metal pipe, and then further up under the grass area there are sections that are totally gone. Mr. Dietrich is recommending that we replace the corroded tile with plastic 15” tile. The west side of Forest Hill Dr. is having problems with water flow. Mr. Thomas made a motion to proceed with replacement/repairs for Forest Hill Dr., Mr. Ballinger seconded. Roll call as follows: McCleary, yes; Ballinger, yes; Thomas, yes. Motion carried.

On the east side of Forest Hill Dr. Matt Slemmons basement continues to flood and there is also road flooding. Mr. Dietrich’s recommendation is to run a camera and clean the east side of Forest Hill Dr. Mr. Ballinger made a motion to proceed with Mr. Dietrich’s recommendation for the east side of Forest Hill Dr., Mr. Thomas seconded. Roll call as follows: McCleary, yes; Ballinger, yes; Thomas, yes. Motion carried.

Discussion resumed from last meeting regarding 404 Garden Place. The area needs to be bored out to prevent standing water. Mr. Dietrich is recommending Professional Pavement do the cutting out of the area.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Thomas distributed paperwork for road paving. Mr. Dietrich’s recommendation for 2021 is that the township pave Southland Parkway. Resolution will be written and approval will be voted on at the May 18 township meeting.

Ms. Perin is asking the Board to be planning for the future as far as road paving is concerned. She would like to know what the plans are for 2022 as far as which roads they feel need paved for budgeting purposes.

Problem properties – Mark McCleary had nothing new to report. Ms. McCleary sent a letter to Prosecutor’s office because the township is at a standstill on problem properties and the direction the township should take. Has had no response.

Mr. Thomas received a complaint for high grass at 1207 Arbor Lane. This is a continual problem at this address. This has been going on for many years.

Meeting dates for summer – discussion held regarding summer meeting schedule. The Board feels that they will keep meeting on the first Tuesday of the month unless a second meeting is necessary on the third Tuesday of each month.

Ms. Perin has been receiving emails about the renewal of MCO companies. Based on the recommendation from Chief Meddles, Ms. McCleary made a motion to stay with our current MCO provider during this open enrollment period. Mr. Ballinger seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Thomas discussed the current mail situation with mail not getting forwarded to the po box. His recommendation is that all mail be delivered to the physical address of 1228 E. Fairground Street and the Ron Phillips can retrieve it. The fiscal officer is not comfortable with the mail being delivered to an outside mailbox because of the amount of revenue and bills that are delivered to a safe indoor post office box. The system has worked fine for 20 years and she does not feel the need for change. She will call the post office and find out why there are problems with the current mail delivery system and report back at the May 18 meeting.

Committee Reports

Zoning

12	April 2021	
Inground Pool	Ricky Reynolds	
\$100.00	800 Mayfield Dr.	
Inground Pool	Ann Hord	
\$100.00	696 Brookpark	
Porch X 2	Brandon Fischer	
\$100.00	1053 Greenlea	
Commercial Sign	Douce Ins. Agency	
\$400.00	1685 Marion Mt.-Gilead Rd.	
\$700.00	General Dynamics	
\$1,057.50	445 Barks Rd. W.	
Generator (Cell)	General Dynamics	
\$1,057.50	Likens Chapel	
Fence	Cody Grauer	
\$50.00	350 Denning Ave	
Ceiling Hgt. Limit	HHSB, LLC	
\$300.00	1739 Marion Waldo Rd.	
Porch	Dean Caudill	
\$50.00	281 Peterson Ave.	
Above Ground Pool	Keith Cole	
\$100.00	2438 Curren Dr.	
Shed	Larry Shipman	
\$50.00	214 Madison Ave.	
Deck	Bryan Curry	

\$50.00	2063 Matheny Dr.	
\$3,415.00		

Road Department

Picked up litter on Southwestern Parkway, Arlington and Lindberg Av.

Used Bobcat to clean up brush on Southwestern Parkway, Arlington Av. and Merkle Av.

Fixed Drainage problem on Water Works and Linda Street, by cleaning off catch basins.

Removed tires on Fountain St. and Emerson Street. 25 tires in all.

Spot berm intersections

Mowed throughout Township (2 Times)

Clean and washed all salt off our trucks.

Sprayed weed killer where needed throughout our Township.

Added weed and feed on front yard of Township administration building.

Fire Department

As of today, we have responded to 784 calls.

Of course, the Easter Day Fire has affected all county departments whether directly or indirectly. Chief was unable to attend the last Big Island Trustee meeting April 20, 2021, due to prior commitments.

Chief has been asked to attend if available Fire Board meeting at Dry Lane Construction building. First meeting will be Wednesday May 5th.

Chief has met with Kerr Murray, Dr. Davis and Chief Canterbury about countywide EMS.

Chief has stressed the need for Fire and EMS just not EMS Next meeting is Wednesday, May 5th @ 1pm. Chief has invited Medicare rep to attend and give update to their roll in current problems and lack of coverage throughout the county.

Marion County Sheriff held a dispatch/county fire chief's meeting April 29th. Hoping for this to spark the needed gathering of ALL Fire Chief's to start working together.

County departments have been working on a new countywide EMS protocol. Hoping for implementing very soon. This has been years in the making.

Ladder 311 has been delivered and the firefighters have been training on this truck. They currently are conducting drivers training and hopefully will be completed end of this week and truck will be placed in service.

All townships are current on their EMS User Fee Billing.

To Date,

25 calls to Grand Prairie TWP

7 calls to Salt Rock TWP

7 calls Big Island New Vision side

5 calls Big Island Salt Rock Fire side.

46 calls into the city
8 calls to Pleasant TWP
5 calls to 1st Consolidated
2 calls to Green Camp

22 Calls we received assistance on.

Clayton Tackett has shown some interest in purchasing our admin building. I believe Mr. Ballinger met with a realtor about current market value. Not sure on those numbers. If the board would go this route, I would suggest we move to the current township hall. This would save a little in duplicated utility bills and up keep.

Vector Security is scheduling the install of key locks. There may be some additional expense on our end to change doorknobs to prevent the ability to bypass system.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Ballinger made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Thomas seconded. Roll call was as follows: Ms. McCleary, yes; Mr. Ballinger, yes; Mr. Thomas, yes. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

_____	Ms. Karen McCleary, Chairman
_____	Mr. Larry Ballinger, Vice-Chairman
_____	Mr. Lynn Thomas, 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.