

September 6, 2022

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 (excused), Ron Phillips

**GUESTS:** Roger Dietrich, Warren and Jamilla Harris, Debbie Pierron, Josh Daniels, Brian Blair, Cindy Price, Barb Nulis, Dr. Mark Davis

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Warren Harris spoke to the Board about purchasing property in the township and that he intends to build on the property. Ms. McCleary referred him to the Health Department regarding septic system information. Roger Dietrich also provided him valuable information about building on his property.

Debbie Pierron addressed the Board about information she received in the mail for gas aggregation. She also had questions about Delco water and if the township had any additional information.

Cindy Price and Brian Blair from the Board of Elections spoke to the township about changes in the elections and precincts. Marion County has 65 precincts. Because of staffing, the precincts are being reduced to 45 precincts in Marion County.

Josh Daniels, 1093 Edison Ave. spoke to the Board of Trustees concerning an additional transfer station located in Marion Township. He provided valuable information on this project.

Ms. McCleary introduced Dr. Mark Davis who is a republican candidate for Marion County Commissioner. He provided information about himself and why he is running for county commissioner.

Mr. Creasap made a motion to approve the August 2, 2022 regular meeting minutes. Mr. Ballinger seconded. Motion carried.

Communication: No correspondence received.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Chief Meddles reported he is still working on receiving quotes for Building #2.

Chief Meddles provided an update on the move to 1228 E. Fairground.

Mr. Dietrich reported on the drainage issues on Forest Hill Dr. Last year they cleaned the sewers and TV'd them and found most of the problem are tree roots. Received quote from Pickens to root foam and the estimate is approximately \$7,000. Need to do this process approximately every three years. Mr. Creasap made a motion to accept the estimate from Pickens to tree foam Forest Hill Dr., Mr. Ballinger seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Dietrich also reported on Lusch Addition. Pickens is going to install two basins.

Discussion held regarding the One Ohio Opioid settlement. Ms. Perin explained that this resolution was passed back on August 9, 2022. Monies were received in July of this year in the amount of \$4, 549.83. Discussion held regarding spending of these monies.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

On September 6, Ms. McCleary received a phone call from a Marion Township resident, Mabelle Hughes, of 1961 Chapel Heights Rd. who had questions regarding Graves creek which runs behind her home. She wants to build a rock wall toward the rear of her property and she is getting "kick back" from her neighbors who fear she will somehow impede the water flow. Ms. McCleary explained to Ms. Hughes that the township has no jurisdiction over creeks and ditches regarding water flow but that she will share with fellow board members and consult Roger Dietrich on this issue.

A quote was received from DJ Bugaway for exterminating services at township campus buildings and the two fire departments. Quote received was for \$200/month. Mr. Ballinger made a motion to accept this quote from DJ Bugaway for \$200/month; Mr. Creasap seconded. Motion carried. Ms. Perin will contact them to see if they will discount price if paid in full annually.

Ms. McCleary made a motion to pay invoice from Pickens Underground Utilities when received for emergency repair of a sinkhole located on Yorkshire Dr. under \$10,000. Mr. Ballinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Marion Village Apartments.

A subdivision review meeting was held on August 16 regarding the Kaufman Farm on St. Rt. 529. This property sold for over \$1,000,000. Developers have a building plan for housing development and apartments. Brad Irons will not approve this. Developers want to move it to Lealand and Richland Terrace. The township will hear more about this project.

Ms. McCleary reported on attending an OTA annual meeting on HB 140 regarding levies. All board members received a letter on August 15 regarding the Marion Village Apartments undergoing a rehab project.

Chief Meddles reported that the fire department was awarded a grant for \$49,023.00. This grant was written for 13 portable radios. Our share of the grant is 5% or \$2,334.43. This amount is less than the cost of one radio. Ms. McCleary made a motion to approve the AFG grant; Mr. Ballinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Committee Reports**

**Zoning**

9	August 2022
Sarah Ogden	2794 East Drive
	\$50.00
Brady Signs	1299 Mt. Vernon Ave.
	\$1,000.00
Sign Vision	2153 Marion Mt. Gilead Rd.
	\$1,000.00
Prestige Signs	1793 Marion Mt. Gilead Rd.
	\$1,200.00

Sharon Meddings	2162 Pleasant Hill Rd.
	\$50.00
Arron Shitzel	2478 Marion Upper Rd.
	\$100.00
Katie Getz (McDonalds)	1429 Marion Waldo Rd.
	\$1,812.50
Kim Levings	1639 Marion Waldo Rd.
	\$50.00
Joshua Roaa	1668 Westminster
	\$150.00
\$5,412.50	

### **Road Department**

Mowing was done on township complex  
 Crack sealed Cottage St ,Norris St, and New Park Dr  
 Cleaned catch basins  
 Mowed Quarry Park, New Park, Boise, and Barford ( big tractor)  
 mowed problem properties at 1830 Matheny Ave and 470 Euclid  
 Cut trees on Fontaine St. (site problem)  
 Picked up tires on Fontaine St. (14)  
 Rick Amrine left road crew due to health reasons.  
 Ron Phillips took an application for road crew from former employee Dean McGinniss  
 Brian said he could start in November  
 Met with Ron and Roger to put together paving package for early next year  
 Paving was completed on Olive,Drexel, Van Atta, Isel,and Eustic.

### **Fire Department**

This was part of the transition from the cheap APX 1000s to the Fire rated Apex 6000s. New radio with accessories is \$3,771.00.

The move took place August 23rd. Never knew how much had collected over the years. the chiefs are working through this.

Switched EMS software companies effective Sept. 1st. Moved from recently bought Emergency Reporting to Emergency Networking. Emergency Networking is an Ohio based company from Powell.

This is creating some change and headache but will be better in long run.

The hiring process is still ongoing. The application process is over October 3<sup>rd</sup> and then the chiefs will review applicants and move onto interviews.

Mr. Ballinger made a motion to exit out of regular session and enter into executive session for personnel hiring; Mr. Creasap seconded the motion. The Board entered into executive session at 7:17 pm. Mr. Creasap made a motion to exit out of executive session and re-convene into regular session. Mr. Ballinger seconded and the Board entered into regular session at 7:26 pm.

Ms. McCleary made a motion to advertise for a road department employee; background check, CDL. Mr. Ballinger seconded.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Ballinger made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Creasap seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 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.