The Margaretta Township Trustees met on March 16, 2017 at 7 p.m.

Present were Mr. Pooch, Mr. Bias and Mr. Riesterer.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the minutes from the March 1, 2016 meeting, as presented by Fiscal Officer Mary Ann Lindsley. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve and sign warrants #15911-15950 and efts that were submitted for payment by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to accept the financial reports that were submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: all ayes.

The meeting began with a hearing on our proposed appropriations for 2017.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to accept the Certificate of Recourses from the county auditor. Vote: all ayes.

There was a brief discussion on the proposed appropriations and the following motion was made: Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the final appropriations of \$3,803,046.13 and to submit them to the Erie County Auditor. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Pooch – yes, Mr. Bias- yes and Mr. Riesterer-yes

Mr. Bias moved, Mr. Pooch seconded to close the appropriations hearing. Vote: all ayes.

In attendance were Ed Pickard, Brian Ritchey, Sheila McClain and Becca Romell in regards to a burned out house in Crystal Rock. Mr. Pickard wanted to know the status of the burned out house. Ms. McClain (owner of house) explained that she is working on getting the house fixed up. She hopes to get more done when the weather breaks.

The Trustees asked Chief Johnson about it. He said that the house is intact and he has no problem with it as long as she continues to work on it. The Trustees said they have no problem with the house as long as she is working on it.

Ms. McClain also mentioned some concerns she has with Mr. Ritchey's property and rocks and flag he put in.

Sheriff Sigsworth was at the meeting for his annual visit. The annual report from the sheriff's department had been submitted to the trustees.

Mr. Jim Neill gave his Road/Cemetery reports: Mr. Neill submitted quotes for our Miller Road drainage project and the Cemetery step repair project. Jim will discuss our Road maintenance at a work session with the Trustees on Tuesday

Mr. Neill said that Gledhill will be doing the hydraulic system on our new truck.

Quote for the Miller Road drainage project were: Hula Construction - \$4988.00, Ed Burdue - \$8250.00 Shortridge Construction - \$5400.00, Castalia Trenching \$6430.00.

Jim said that we will purchase the materials for the project.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to contract with Hula Construction for the culvert replacement project on Miller Road for a cost of \$4988.00. Vote: all ayes.

Quotes received for the repairing of our Cemetery steps were: Hula Construction \$5650, Shortridge Construction \$7800, and Castalia Trenching \$8312.62.

After a brief discussion on the Cemetery steps the following motion was made:

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to contract with Hula Construction for the repairing of the Cemetery steps for a cost of \$5650. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to advertise the sale our old truck on Gov.Deals for a minimum bid of \$25,000.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to pass Resolution 2017-05 to participate in the ODOT Purchasing Program. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Pooch – yes, Mr. Bias- yes and Mr. Riesterer – yes.

Chief Jonson gave his Fire Department report. Chief had a couple people he suggested hiring as Paid on Call firefighters.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to hire Bryan Brace and Matt Turner as paid on call firefighters at a rate of \$10.50/hr., effective April 1, 2017. Vote: all aye

There will be a zoning appeals hearing next Monday.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to appoint Ryan Kelly to our Park Board, replacing Barb Sessler who stepped down. This will be effective 1-1-2017. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to enter into a contract with Eric Fultz for running the concession stand at the parks from April 1, 2017-November 1, 2017 for a flat fee of \$600.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to adjourn. Vote: all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.