The Margaretta Township Trustees met on September 16, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Present were Mr. Bias Mr. Pooch and Mr. Riesterer. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve the minutes from the September 2, 2021 meeting as presented by Fiscal Officer Robert Day. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve and sign the warrants (19912 –19937) and EFTs submitted for payment by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve the financial reports submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: all ayes

Gary Smith, Margaretta School Board Candidate:

Mr. Smith provided information on his candidacy and qualifications.

Board Items:

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve the vacation request for Matt Studer (72 hours) and Dan Minor (120 hours). Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Riesterer discussed the Cemetery planting options. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to plant 10 Ivory Silk Lilac trees provided by Corso's at a cost not to exceed \$4,500.00. This will include planting and 1-year guarantee. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Riesterer provided an update from the ECTA meeting which he attended. The ECTA Christmas party will be held on Thursday 12/9/2021.

Mr. Pooch reported that the Lion's Park bathroom project will be re-bid on Friday 9/17/2021.

Mr. Bias discussed the cell tower lease. It was agreed that the monthly lease will be continued with an up-front payment of \$5,000.

Mr. Day presented Resolution 2021-09: A Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Erie County Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Riesterer – yes; Mr. Pooch – yes; Mr. Bias – yes.

Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector:

Mr. Schaeffer reported that Township resident Mark Bodey has yet to submit payment for a zoning permit for the sign he has erected. The Trustees reserve the right to charge Mr. Bodey a penalty equal to three times the amount of the permit (total of \$375.00).

Mr. Schaeffer discussed the Right-Of-Way on Bogart Road for the Cody Property. It was determined that issues the Cody property are now the County's responsibility.

Mr. Schaeffer requested Gysan Lawn and Landscaping to mow the grass at the home on the corner of Homegardner and Tiffin Ave. The Home is now owned by Civista Bank.

Jim Neill & Bob Biglin, Road & Cemetery Department:

Mr. Neill reported that paving continues on Miller Road and should be finished within the next week.

Mr. Neill provided information on Round 36 of the Erie County LTIP/SCIP Sub Committee meeting to be held on 9/21/2021. Bob Day will attend and represent the Township.

Mr. Neill reported that the fall yard waste drop off will begin on 10/1/2021.

Mr. Neill discussed the ODOT Stimulus Program and will submit possible projects to the Board at an upcoming meeting.

Mr. Neill reported that the new backhoe has been delivered and placed in service.

Thomas Johnson, Fire Chief:

Chief Johnson reported that he met with VASU regarding the tornado siren repairs. He indicated they are out of warranty and will get pricing for the repairs.

Chief Johnson reported that the Township was denied the SCBA Grant for 2021, but will re-apply for the grant in 2022.

Chief Johnson discussed the costs of the 4-man shifts. He will meet with Fiscal Officer Bob Day to review his budget. The issue of 4-man shifts will be discussed at a future meeting.

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to adjourn. Vote: all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Chairperson

Fiscal Officer