

The Margareta Township Trustees met on September 15 2022, at 7:00 PM

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

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the minutes from the September 1, 2022, meeting as presented by Fiscal Officer Robert Day. Vote: All Ayes

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve, and sign the warrants and EFTs submitted for payment by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: All Ayes

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the financial reports submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: All Ayes

Scott Williams, Township Resident – 1110 Sunset Drive Whites Landing:

Mr. Williams raised concerns over unlicensed junk vehicles and semi-trailer parked for a lengthy period of time in a residential neighborhood. He also has issues with a low hanging tree in his neighborhood. The Board will refer the issues to Zoning Inspector Chris Schaeffer. Road Superintendent Jim Neill will address the low hanging branches and Chief Johnson will address the open burning of trash that Mr. Williams reported.

Board Items:

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve vacation request for Bob Biglin (8 hours). Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Pooch discussed the vacancy in the Road Department. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to offer the fulltime Road Department position to Theresa Meyer effective 10/1/2022. The rate of pay will be \$20.50/hour, the benefits package will be effective 10/1/2022, she will be able to carry 520 hours of sick leave from her prior employer, and vacation leave will be pro-rated for 2022. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Day discussed the delivery of the tractor and road mower. Mr. Day presented various financing options and recommended that the equipment be paid in full rather than financing. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to make full payment on the equipment to save in excess of \$25,000 in interest payments. Vote: all aye.

Mr. Bias discussed items presented at the ECTA meeting. Items included: Land Bank Funding; Road Funding from the County for 2023; solar energy proposals; and the Nexus pipeline appeal.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to vacate Sandusky Street and the right-of-way in Bay Bridge. Mr. Day will send letter/email to the residents affected and correspond with Tim King at Erie County Regional Planning. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Day discussed the issues with employees not receiving their Explanation of Benefits from Paramount to allow for the processing of HRA claims. He presented the option of setting up a claims extraction feed from Paramount to Consumer Driven Administrators to allow for claims free processing. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to proceed with the Claims Extraction Feed at a cost not to exceed \$1,000. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Day presented Resolution 2022-15: A Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Erie County Budget Commission. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve Resolution 2022-15. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Bias – yes; Mr. Riesterer – yes; Mr. Pooch – yes.

Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector:

Mr. Schaeffer was not in attendance.

Thomas Johnson, Fire Chief:

Chief Johnson reported on the repairs to MT#121 and that it is back in service. He also reported that MT#112 is in need of repairs for a leak.

Chief Johnson discussed the SCBA committee that is reviewing the air packs from various vendors.

Jim Neill & Bob Biglin, Road & Cemetery Department:

Mr. Neill presented the quote for \$17,000 from Bay Area Tree Care for clearing the area next to the mausoleum to allow for fill to be delivered. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to accept the quote from Bay Area Tree Care. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Neill further discussed the offer from Erie Materials to deliver fill-dirt at no cost to the area that will be cleared next to the mausoleum. Erie Materials will begin delivery once the corn is harvested by Mr. Hartley.

Mr. Neill reported that the Cleveland Clinic Cancer Center will be hosting a fund-raising event on Saturday October 1, 2022 between the hours of 5:00-7:00 PM and requested to have Quarry Lakes Drive closed. Mr. Neill will have the Road Department post the road closed signs.

Mr. Neill reported that he will begin discussions with Contractors Design Engineering from Norwalk to begin preliminary site plans for future building site on the recently purchased property on Bardwell Road.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to adjourn. Vote: All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:45PM.



Gary Poch, Chairman



Robert Day, Fiscal Officer

Chief Johnson presented for signature the contract for EMS services provided by North Central EMS. This is a five-year contract at no cost to the Township. Mr. Riesterer introduced Resolution 2022-14: A Resolution approving the 5-year contract with North Central EMS, seconded by Mr. Bias. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Bias – yes; Mr. Riesterer – yes; Mr. Pooch – yes.

Chief Johnson requested approval for a training for Rob Maschari. The training is for forcible entry and engine company operations. The cost is \$509.00. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the training for Rob Maschari at a cost not to exceed \$509.00. Vote: all ayes.

Chief Johnson recommended that MT #112 be utilized as the primary response vehicle and minimize the mileage/wear on MT #111. The Board agreed and directed Chief Johnson implement this as soon as possible.

Jim Neill & Bob Biglin, Road & Cemetery Department:

Mr. Neill presented Resolution 2022-13: A Resolution authorizing Tim Riesterer to make application to participate in the OPWC Program for Heywood Road Resurfacing Project at an estimated cost of \$148,500.00. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve Resolution 2022-13. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Bias – yes; Mr. Riesterer – yes; Mr. Pooch – yes.


Mr. Neill reported that the final berm work is being completed on Maple Avenue.

Mr. Neill indicated that he is waiting on the Village of Castalia to move forward on the South Avenue resurfacing project. He recommended repaving the apron in front of the fire department while all equipment is at the site.

Mr. Neill presented a job description for the upcoming vacancy in the Road Department. The Trustees will review and consider advertising for the position in the near future as Mr. Neill's last day worked will be October 31, 2022.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to adjourn. Vote: All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:55PM.

Gary Pooch, Chairman



Robert Day, Fiscal Officer

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Meeting Agenda

1. Call to order / roll call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Welcome to all in attendance
4. Approval of the minutes
5. Approval of the warrants
6. Approval of the Fiscal Officers financial report
7. Meeting open to the floor
8. Fire Department
 - a. Unit 112 repairs
 - b. Unit 121 repairs
9. Road/Cemetery
 - a. Road position
 - b. Cemetery woods clearing
 - c. Fill dirt
 - d. Site plan cemetery Contractor Design/layout
 - e. Road mower financing
 - f. Village paving
10. Zoning
11. Storm water
12. Board items
 - a. Doreen Paul Cemetery luncheon September 30 ,noon
 - b. Erie County Chamber of Commerce Fall Symposium Oct. 13,2022
 - c. ECTA meeting
 - d. Road pay rates
 - e. Insurance follow up
 - f. Date IAFF negotiations
13. Parks
 - a. Castalia Rec \$2500