

**DECEMBER 15, 2022**

**The Margaretta Township Trustees met on December 15, 2022 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. Bias to approve the minutes from the November 29, 2021 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

**Richard Cockrell, Township Resident:**

Mr. Cockrell was in attendance as an observer.

**Keith Kreager, Northwest Ohio Rural Water:**

Mr. Kreager asked if anyone had any issues with rural water. No one raised concerns.

**Barbara Weyer, Township Property Owner (Deyo Road):**

Mrs. Weyer indicated that the property she owns on Deyo Road is currently zoned commercial and she wishes to have it changed to agricultural. Mrs. Weyer was referred to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

**Board Items:**

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve the vacation requests for Rob Street (24 hours), Terri Meyer (8 hours), and Matt Studer (32 hours). Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Riesterer presented an Inter-Governmental Agreement with Erie County and Margaretta Township regarding the providing of funds from the Motor Vehicle Tax Fund. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the agreement. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Pooch reminded all that the holiday luncheon for all staff will take place on Wednesday 12/28/2022 at noon. Mr. Bias has made arrangements with Eric Fultz for catering.

Mr. Pooch also reminded the Trustees of the Organizational Meeting to be held at 2:00 PM on 12/28/22 after the luncheon.

Mr. Bias discussed the status of the ongoing union negotiations.

Mr. Day presented an updated Procurement Policy and Checklist to assist in the completion of the SCBA Grant. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve the updated policy. Vote: all ayes.

**Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector:**

Mr. Schaeffer was not in attendance. No issues were reported.

**Bob Biglin, Road & Cemetery Department:**

Mr. Biglin reported that Franklin Sanitation took camera shots of the tile on Homegardner Road. There are areas that will be jetted and cleaned out.

Mr. Biglin reported that the corn has been harvested from the Bardwell Road property and he can now contact Contractor Design for completion of the layout design for potential new facility.

Mr. Biglin presented the land lease for the Bardwell Road property to be extended to Jeff Hartley. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve land lease contracts for two years (2023 & 2024).

Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Biglin requested to hire a part-time snow plow position. He presented the application for Jeff Meyer. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to extend offer of employment at a rate of \$17.00/hour pending the completion of all proper paperwork. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Biglin discussed changing the specs on the new dump truck to allow for a live-bottom and brine tanks. He will submit pricing at a future meeting.

Mr. Biglin requested to have his staff attend an OSHA class in January 2023 hosted by Perkins Township. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to allow for attendance at the OSHA meeting. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Biglin presented a bid from Balconi Monuments for a 72-niche columbarium at a cost of \$25,000.00. This bid allows for the Township to install the base and a 4-6 week delivery after that. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the purchase of the 72-niche columbarium with a 50% deposit and delivery to not take place until spring 2023. Vote: all ayes.

**Thomas Johnson, Fire Chief:**

Chief Johnson submitted a training request for Robert Maschari (online course for Certified Community Paramedic) at a cost of \$325.00 and an additional training request for Shawn Hunsicker (Fire Inspector at EHOVE) at a cost of \$750.00. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve the payment for the training classes for both firefighters. Vote: all ayes.

Chief Johnson presented the resignation of Firefighter Riley Rospert effective 12/5/2022. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to accept the resignation of Riley Rospert. Vote: all ayes.

Chief Johnson reported that Firelands Corporate Health will be presenting a Drug-Free Workplace in-service at the Township Hall on 2/13 & 2/16/23.

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to adjourn. Vote: all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 PM.

  
Chairperson

  
Fiscal Officer