

April 4, 2024

**The Margaretta Township Trustees met on April 4, 2024 at 7:00 PM**

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

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Cullen to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2024 meeting as presented by the Fiscal Officer Robert Day. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Cullen moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve and sign the warrants and EFTs submitted for payment by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: all ayes

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

**Matt & Shawna Stencil: Owners – Castalia Farms:**

Mr. & Mrs. Stencil presented information and discussed the activities at Castalia Farms. A visit to Castalia Farms is scheduled with the Trustees on April 10, 2024 at 10:00 AM. Chief Jett and members of the Fire Department, along with Chris Schaeffer (Zoning Inspector) will also attend.

**Richard Cockrell: Township Resident:**

Mr. Cockrell inquired as to whether any township roads have the white edge lines or stop blocks painted at the stop signs. Mr. Biglin responded that only center lines are painted on township roads and no stop blocks. In accord with the Ohio Revised Code, these are not required for township roadways.

Barbara Weyer, Village of Castalia:

Mrs. Weyer discussed the newsletter sent to village residents from the Castalia Village Council and the involvement of the Township on various issues within the Village. She indicated that the Village Council is very pleased with the response provided by the Township Road Department.

Mrs. Weyer also inquired what the possibility of a fire district being formed by neighboring communities. She was informed by the Board that a fire district is a topic that will be discussed in the distant future. For now, the Township will continue to operate its fire department as it has in the past.

**Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector:**

Mr. Schaeffer reported that the Zoning Board will meet on 4/15/24 to review the Event Center language being proposed to be included in the Zoning Regulation Book for the Township.

Mr. Schaeffer reminded the Board of upcoming meetings. There will be a variance meeting on 4/15/24 regarding a shed replacement on Bogart Road. There will also be a meeting on 4/18/24 for the Planned Unit Development (PUD) for Eagle Point (Medusa Cement property).

Mr. Schaeffer reported that Bill Coburn inquired what is needed to possibly build cottages/employee housing on his properties located on Martins Point Road. Mr. Schaeffer will keep the Board updated on the progress.

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

Mr. Biglin inquired about pay rates for the summer help. Bob Day will check with Margareta Schools to see what rate of pay they have established for summer help.

Mr. Biglin provided an updated on the water/sewer line project at Lions Park. Final water and electrical connections will take place the week of 4/8/24.

Mr. Biglin talked with Derek Marsh regarding drainage concerns on the Bardwell Road property and Village Hill Estates. Mr. Marsh will be at the Township with Mr. Biglin on 4/9/24 at 10:00 AM.

Mr. Biglin reported that the 811 Membership (OUPS) will cost approximately \$330.00 for the year.

Mr. Biglin will meet with Charles Bennett from the County Prosecutor's Office in the near future to discuss issues with damages caused by Adkins Fence and possible reimbursement.

**Kerry Jett, Fire Chief:**

Chief Jett reported that the new squad is on another delay as the company (Penn) computer has been compromised and is temporarily shut down.

Chief Jett announced that Whirlpool Corporation in Clyde, Ohio has donated three refrigerators to the Township for use in the Fire Department. This provides one refrigerator for each shift.


**Board Items:**

Mr. Day will reach out to Assured Partners regarding how many employees have completed their Form Fire information needed to seek quotes from other health insurance companies.

Mr. Bias discussed the request from Bureau of Workers Compensation regarding compliance information.

The Board requested that the Union be invited to the next meeting on April 18<sup>th</sup> to discuss/exchange insurance alternatives/proposals in accord with the union contract.

Mr. Cullen moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to adjourn. Vote: all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.



Chairperson



Fiscal Officer