The Margaretta Township Trustees met on October 28, 2021 at 1:00 PM

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

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve the minutes from the October 7, 2021 meeting as presented by Fiscal Officer Robert Day. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve and sign the warrants (19984-20022) and EFTs submitted for payment by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: all ayes

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

Richard Cockrell, Township Resident:

Mr. Cockrell inquired as to when the Miller Road paving would be completed. He also commended the Road Department for all the good work they do.

Board Action:

Mr. Bias discussed the bids submitted for the Lions Park bathroom project. There were three bids that also included the bids for alternate options. The bids were as follows:

Landoll Builders: Base Bid = \$106,000.00. Alternates: \$7,000/Stainless Partitions. \$5,000/Epoxy Floors)
Seitz Construction: Base Bid = \$121,000.00. Alternates: \$11,080.66/Stainless Partitions. \$5,702.40/Epoxy Floors)

Studer-Obringer: Base Bid = \$108,800.00. Alternates: \$4,600/Stainless Partitions. \$6,700/Epoxy Floors). Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to proceed with a letter to Erie Regional Planning accepting all base bids, declining Alternate One (Stainless Steel Partitions), and declining Alternate Two (Epoxy Floors). Vote: all ayes. Mr. Riesterer will contact Tim King to proceed.

Mr. Bias presented Resolution 2021-10: A Resolution appointing Keith Kreager to the Northern Ohio Rural Water Board. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Riesterer – yes; Mr. Pooch – yes; Mr. Bias – yes.

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to accept the Lease Agreement Contract with American Tower for the land lease of the cell tower. The Lease Agreement includes a \$5,000 up-front payment and a continuation of the monthly lease payment as defined in the original agreement. Vote: all ayes. Mr. Day discussed the need for a lease agreement with Jeff Hartley for the farming rights to the Donich property purchased last year. Mr. Day will contact Jim Neill to proceed.

Mr. Bias discuss possible members for a Facility Committee to assist the development of facility upgrades and new construction within the Township in the future.

Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector:

Mr. Schaeffer reported that the Dollar General Store is progressing and he answered concerns from the Fitz family regarding construction dust and water run-off.

Mr. Schaeffer discussed the possible development of the Medusa property in Bay Bridge.

Mr. Schaeffer reported on his discussions with Larry Nicholson regarding an additional out-building on his property in Village Hill Estates.

Jim Neill & Bob Biglin, Road & Cemetery Department (not in attendance):

Mr. Bias reported that the third round of road mowing is in process.

Mr. Bias discussed the status of the Miller Road resurfacing project. The shoulder stone is being poured and rolled.

Mr. Bias discussed the Recycling program and possible partnership with Erie County.

Mr. Riesterer discussed the over-growth of trees and bushes on various Township roads. He will discuss options with Mr. Neill to help control the growth.

Mr. Riesterer discussed the Erie County Signage Grant. He will talk with Tim King and Carrie Whitacre for additional details.

Thomas Johnson, Fire Chief:

Chief Johnson reported that MT#41 is back in service.

Chief Johnson discussed the needed repairs for the Jaws machine. Dan Strayer will handle the repairs.

Chief Johnson reported that the Cascade System is in need of its 5-year service.

Chief Johnson discussed the pricing increase for Turn Out Gear. He requested to order three sets of Turn Out Gear from M.E.S at an approximate cost of \$9,000.00. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve the purchase of three sets of Turn Out Gear from M.E.S. Vote: all ayes.

Chief Johnson reported that Margaretta Township will host the training for Tanker Fill on 11/20/2021. Multiple departments from the area will attend.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 PM.

Joe Bias, Chairman

Robert Day, Fiscal Officer