The Margaretta Township Trustees met in regular session on July 7, 2016 at 7 p.m. Present were Mr. Riesterer and Mr. Pooch.

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve the minutes from the June 16, 2016 meeting, as presented by Fiscal Officer Mary Ann Lindsley. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve and sign warrants #15263-15320 and vouchers that were presented for payment since our last meeting. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to accept the financial reports that were presented. Vote: all ayes.

The meeting began with a public hearing on our proposed 2017 budget. There was a brief discussion and the following motion was made. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve the proposed 2017 budget and to send it to the Erie County Auditor. Vote: all ayes.

Chief Johnson gave his Fire Department report.

Chief had a training request from Dan Maloney.

Chief also had a request to hire Brian Martin as a paid on call Firefighter.

It was mentioned that the Chief and possibly one of the trustees will meet on Monday July 11, 2016 at 10 a.m. with Bay View to discuss our contract with them.

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve the training request for Dan Maloney to attend State Fire School at BGSU on October 8, 9 & 10, 2016 for a cost of \$525.00. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to hire Brian Martin as a paid on call Firefighter effective 7/7/2016 at a rate of \$10.50 while on probation. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Tom Johnson also gave a brief zoning report. Radios were discussed again.

Mr. Jim Neill gave his Road/Cemetery report.

Mr. Neill mentioned that he had paperwork for next year's Issue II. We may submit Industrial Park and McCartney Road.

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to finance the purchase of the new truck, hydraulic system, snowplow and snowplow mount under state bid for a total cost \$132910.07 through the municipal lease program at Santander Bank. Vote: all ayes.

Total payout will be \$28054.00 for 5 years for a total cost of \$140270.00 with interest.

We had a total of 62.5 ton of tires collected during our recycle day for a total cost of \$7209.

Mr. Lavern Fish came to the meeting to discuss damage to his tire rims when he had to drive off Miller Road to avoid hitting a car. Mr. Fish wants the township to cover the cost of his rims. The trustees said all they can do is submit it to our insurance company and see what they say.

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to adjourn. Vote: all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.