

October 17, 2024

**The Margaretta Township Trustees met on October 17, 2024 at 1:00 PM**

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

Mr. Cullen moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve the minutes from the October 3, 2024 meeting as presented by the Fiscal Officer Robert Day. Vote: all ayes

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

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

**Jeff Grenier, Firelands IT Services:**

Mr. Grenier presented a proposal for IT Services for the Township. He met the week of 10/7/2024 with Brenda and Kelly Reid to review the needed services and various equipment. The Trustees will review the quote and determine a course of action at an upcoming meeting.

**Barb Weyer, Village of Castalia:**

Mrs. Weyer was in attendance to observe the offerings of Firelands IT Services.

**Gary Smith, Township Resident:**

Mr. Smith raised concern over the tress on the southeast corner of the Parker Road/Deyo Road intersection. The Trustees will look to see if the trees are in the right-of-way. If so, they will be trimmed back.

**Kelly Ried, Road & Cemetery Departments:**

Mr. Biglin was unable to attend due to current paving projects in the Township.

Mrs. Ried presented a bid/estimate from Derrick Marsh for the Village Hill Estates Drainage Project. The Trustees will meet with Mr. Biglin the week of 10/20/24 to review and post the project for bid.

Mrs. Ried reported on the current status of the road paving projects. All hope to be done by the end of October.

**Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector:**

Mr. Schaeffer discussed concerns with Anthony's Villa and whether that facility meets the zoning requirements. He will continue to monitor that situation.

Mr. Schaeffer reported that the Township Zoning Board met on 10/14/24 to discuss the language for the short term rentals in the township.

Mr. Schaeffer discussed the sewer contract issues for Bay Bridge PUD. The Trustees will reach out to County officials for future discussing.

**Kerry Jett, Fire Chief:**

Chief Jett reported that MT#122 (Engine) will be going to Findlay Fire for repairs of the pump packing and control valves.

Chief Jett requested a work session with the Trustees and Fiscal Officer to discuss the fire department budget for 2025. Mr. Day recommended that session be held after the election.

Chief Jett continues to interview candidates to fill the firefighter vacancy.

**Board Items:**

Mr. Bias requested that the Trustees visit Lions Park to determine a potential site for pickle ball courts as there will be a joint project with the Lion Club. The Trustees agreed to visit the park the week of 10/21/24.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Cullen to allow Captain Dan Minor to cash-in 144 hours of his vacation leave for 2024. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Cullen to continue the regular session until Tuesday 10/22/24 at 10:00 AM to allow for further discussion of the Village Hill Drainage Project with Mr. Biglin in attendance. Vote: all ayes.

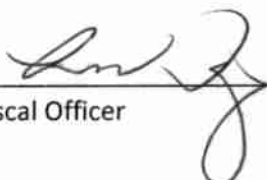
Mr. Bias open the continuation of the 10/17/27 meeting at 10:00 AM on 10/22/24.

Mr. Biglin presented the Engineer's Construction Estimate from Derek Marsh for the Village Hill Drainage Project. The proposed cost is \$135,065.00. The Township has received a grant for 50% of the costs from the Erie County Infrastructure Grant. Mr. Biglin will work with the Engineer's Office to put the project out for bid and place advertising in the Sandusky Register as soon as possible.

The Trustees jointly traveled to Lions Park to determine a site for future pickle ball courts. It was determined that the courts (2) would be placed at the back of the park in front of the retention pond.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Cullen to adjourn. Vote: all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 11:40 AM.

  
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Chairperson

  
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Fiscal Officer