The Margaretta Township Trustees met on July 1, 2021 at 7:00 PM

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

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the minutes from the June 17, 2021 meeting as presented by Fiscal Officer Robert Day. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve and sign the warrants (19717-19757) and EFTs submitted for payment by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: all ayes

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

Bid Opening:

Mr. Neill presented three bids packages for the Miller Road Resurfacing Project. Mr. Bias opened each of the bid packages at 7:05 PM. The bids were submitted by: Erie Blacktop (\$157,180.00); Gerken Paving (\$156,857.00) and 7L Construction (\$152,779.00).

Mr. Neill presented two bids packages for the Heywood Road Resurfacing Project. Mr. Bias opened each of the bid packages at 7:10 PM. The bids were submitted by: Erie Blacktop (\$69,436.00); and Gerken Paving (\$75,717.65.00).

Fiscal Officer Bob Day to complete the bid form for the Erie County Engineer. Mr. Neill will deliver the bids/forms to the County. The Board will take action at the 4/15/2021 meeting. Mr. Neill will contact Donna Kirkbride from the Ohio Public Works Commission regarding Issue 2 monies.

Board Action:

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve a vacation request for Keith Killingsworth (144 hours). Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to increase the rate of pay for Sandy Martin to \$12.50/hour for the 2021 calendar year. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Bias discussed the Cares Act Funding and distribution.

Mr. Bias presented the proposed Fireworks Resolution from Erie County Commissioners. The issue was tabled for later discussion.

Mr. Bias presented Resolution 2021-05: A resolution to adopt the Erie County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve Resolution 2021-05. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Pooch – yes; Mr. Bias – yes.

Mr. Bias discussed the Community Foundation Grant. He will apply thru the Lions Club.

Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector:

Mr. Schaeffer reported the conditional use permit for Denny Grahl's property on Billings Road was approved.

Mr. Schaeffer requested that Paul Fox be approved to fill the vacant seat on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to appoint Paul Fox. Vote: all ayes.

Jim Neill & Bob Biglin, Road & Cemetery Department:

Mr. Neill discussed the field tile drainage on the Keller property located at Miller Road and Old Railroad. He will have the County scope the drains/catch basing to insure proper drainage as the field was recently tiled.

Mr. Neill recommended increasing the road salt order with Erie County to 300 tons for the 2021-2022 season. Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to reserve 300 tons of road salt. Vote: all ayes. Mr. Neill reviewed the results of the Township Recycle Day. The final cost to Liberty Recycle was \$15,447.00. Mr. Neill will submit for reimbursement from the County. Mr. Neill also extended appreciation to the Margaretta football team for their community service.

Mr. Neill reported that the Road Department will be assisting Oxford Township with crack sealing and will then move to Margaretta Township with Oxford Township assisting.

Mr. Bias read a card of appreciation from Gary & Cari Pooch and Joe & Suzie Palmucci for the assistance provided by the Road Department during a recent funeral service.

Thomas Johnson, Fire Chief (represented by Mike Jesberger):

Mr. Jesberger presented a request from Chief Johnson to hire Riley Rospert and Shawn Hunsicker as part-time firefighters. Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to hire Mr. Rospert and Mr. Hunsicker. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Jesberger reminded the Board that Tom Keimer has officially retired effective 7/1/2021 after 40 years of service as a member of the Margaretta Township Fire Department. The Board expressed their sincere appreciation for Chief Keimer's service. He will be missed by all.

Mr. Jesberger reported that he will be handling the scheduling duties along with the ordering of uniforms.

Mr. Jesberger provided an update on the status of MT-122. It is currently being painted and 20% of the cost will be covered by warranty.

Mr. Jesberger requested the approval of training (RIT – Under Fire) for Robert Maschari at a cost of \$680.00. Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the cost of training for Robert Maschari. Vote: all ayes.

Keith Kreager, Northern Ohio Rural Water/Crystal Rock HOA:

Mr. Kreager discussed the washout and stones on Crystal Rock Road and the high weeds in Crystal Rock. Mr. Schaeffer will investigate.

Mr. Kreager introduced David Sizemore as the new president of the Crystal Rock Home Owners Association.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 PM.

Joe Bias, Chairman

Robert Day, Fiscal Office