## The Margaretta Township Trustees met on March 2, 2023 at 7:00 PM

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

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve the minutes from the February 16, 2023 meeting as presented by Fiscal Officer Robert Day. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve and sign the warrants 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

## Keith Kreager, Northern Ohio Rural Water:

Mr. Kreager inquired if anyone had any issues with water service provided by Rural Water. No issues were brought forward.

### Barbara Weyer, Village Resident:

Mrs. Weyer complimented the Road Department on the condition of Grave's Cemetery for her husband Butch Weyer's funeral service.

### **Kevin Dwight, Township Resident:**

Mr. Dwight was there as an observer.

## Bid Opening - Maple Avenue resurfacing project:

At 7:10 PM the bids for the Maple Avenue resurfacing project were opened. Two bids were received:

Gerken Paving \$98,592.40

Erie Blacktop \$93,752.60

Mr. Riesterer will deliver the bids to the County Engineer for review prior to any action by the Township.

### Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector:

Mr. Schaeffer will present a request for a zoning change on the Deyo Road property owned by Barbara Weyer. He will keep the Board apprised of the results.

Mr. Schaeffer reported that Code Enforcement Officer, Katie Maloney continues to update the property maintenance ordinance for review by the Board.

### Thomas Johnson, Fire Chief:

Chief Johnson reported on the repair status of department vehicles.

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

Mr. Biglin reported that he will seek someone to power wash/stain the deck at the scattering garden.

Mr. Biglin contact Franklin Monument for follow-up on the door repairs for the columbarium. He will continue to follow-up until repairs are complete.

Mr. Biglin discussed the Memorial Day program planning. He will work with Brenda Ried to complete the program.

Mr. Biglin provided information to the Board on the consideration to purchase cemetery mats for use on driving equipment when digging gravesites/moving dirt. The mats are 3'x8'x1/2" thick. They weigh 58 pounds and would be used in place of the plywood sheets that are currently laid down to prevent the equipment from digging into the ground. The cost is \$189/each for an order of 25 or more. Mr. Biglin will get pricing for a large order to include shipping.

#### **Board Items:**

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve the vacation requests for Tom Johnson (40 hrs), Dan Minor (72 hrs), Shawn Hunsicker (24 hrs), and Terri Meyer (28 hrs), Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Riesterer reported that the hearing to discuss the vacating of the road in Bay Bridge will be held on Wednesday March 8, 2023 at 9:00 AM in the County Commissioners meeting room.

Mr. Day discussed the potential cost increase for the Township healthcare insurance. All employees are to complete their Form Fire information to allow for Assured Partners to seek competitive bids,

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to move into Executive Session for the purpose of personnel issues and union negotiations. . Roll Call Vote: Mr. Pooch – yes; Mr. Riesterer – yes.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to move back into regular session. . Roll Call Vote: Mr. Pooch – yes; Mr. Riesterer – yes.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to adjourn. Vote: all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Chairperson

Fiscal Officer