

October 5, 2023

**The Margareta Township Trustees met on October 5, 2023 at 7:00 PM**

Present were Mr. Riesterer, Mr. Bias, and Mr. Pooch. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Mr. Bias moved to approve the minutes with revision from the September 21<sup>st</sup> meeting with the addition of "Ed Cullen and Chris Schaeffer, candidates for Margareta Township trustee were present as observers." Mr. Pooch seconded the motion for that correction along with the spelling correction of "tax" to take and "Sunnymead". Vote: all ayes  
Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve, and sign the warrants and EFTs submitted for payment by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: all ayes  
Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve the financial reports submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: all ayes

**Richard Cockrell, 6801 Parker Road:**

Mr. Cockrell asked what was going in at Pickett's cherry farm. Mr. Schaeffer advised that it was going to be a solar farm.  
Mr. Cockrell asked who was taking the minutes tonight. Mr. Bias introduced Kelly Ried to Mr. Cockrell and advised him that I was filling in for Mr. Day.  
Mr. Cockrell then asked if Mr. Biglin could sweep the intersection of Skadden Rd. and Mason Rd. Mr. Biglin stated that it was not in our township, but he would pass along the request to the county.  
Mr. Cockrell then asked about a tree being trimmed by the shooting range. Mr. Biglin advised that it was on the property of the City of Sandusky. Mr. Biglin will contact the city.  
Mr. Cockrell then asked if farmers need to apply for a building permit if they are replacing an existing structure. The board answered that farmers do not.

**Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector:**

Mr. Schaeffer discussed about Edgewater Mobile Home Park. Reported that he spoke to Ronald Black, who is a consultant from Michigan. Mr. Blank was inquiring about purchasing the property. Mr. Schaeffer advised that it is zoned as agricultural. The property is not listed on the zoning map. Mr. Schaeffer is requesting that the trustees do a rezoning amendment and rezone that property. Mr. Schaeffer has been in touch with Erie Regional Planning regarding rezoning for mobile home parks. Mr. Schaeffer is waiting for a response and will let the board know.  
Mr. Schaeffer stated that he received a voicemail from the engineer's department that they will not approve the Britton's permit to build their home due to drainage. Mr. Schaeffer asked Mr. Biglin if they can put catch basin in or tie into the storm drain. Mr. Biglin stated that he will get into contact with the Britton's. Property is located on the Bogart Rd and Maple Ave intersection.  
Mr. Schaeffer spoke with Carla Hackenburg from the Millsite. Advised that she doing a lot split out at The Oaks and will be building a new home.  
Mr. Schaeffer stopped out the church out on Bogart Rd regarding the brush cleanup and will be taken care of he advised.  
Mr. Schaeffer received a call from a resident out on Route 269 about Kendra's House. The last inspection was in 2019. Mr. Schaeffer heard that a gentleman was going to lease it out and turn into a boy's home. The conditional use has expired.  
Mr. Schaeffer stated that the Elacion's came in for zoning permit for new home.  
Mr. Schaeffer stated that he spoke with Kate Maloney regarding a property in Whites Landing that still needs to be cleaned up.

### **Thomas Johnson, Fire Chief:**

Chief Johnson gave the trustees a training request from Firefighter Colin Armstrong for May 2024. Cost will be \$600 for the five-day course. Firefighter Armstrong will stay in the dorms. Course is through the Fire Academy in Reynoldsburg. Planned on booking soon. Mr. Bias moved to approve Colin Armstrong's training request, seconded by Mr. Pooch. Vote: all ayes  
Chief Johnson stated that the boat should be delivered on October 6, 2023.

Chief Johnson stated that Matt Studer is currently working on the trailer.

Chief Johnson stated that firefighter Matt Stacy will be in fire school for two days next week and will also be doing fire prevention. Chief Johnson brought in a part time person to cover shift.

Chief Johnson advised that Firefighter Robert Street is currently on funeral leave.

Chief Johnson reached out to two different places regarding tires. Matthews Ford is running a special for emergency personnel that if you purchase four tires, you will receive \$75 back and a free oil change. Chief Johnson stated that 111's front steering tire is in bad shape. That tire will need to be replaced. Chief Johnson stated that he would like to get them done before Winter. The price for one is \$920 which includes tire rotation and oil change.

Chief Johnson stated that Sheriff Sigsworth contacted him about conducting a drug drop off on October 28 from 10:00am-2:00pm. Would be hosted by the Erie County Sheriff's office along with the health department. Will create flyer and we can help share the word.

Chief Johnson stated that Jared Oliver from the Dispatch Advisory Board wanted to meet on October 26 to see where we are with numbers. Chief Johnson will keep the trustees updated.

Chief Johnson advised that the background check from an applicant will not be considered.

Chief Johnson presented the trustees with interest from Mr. Rospert for part time firefighter with call back and watch time. Mr. Rospert has all credentials except medic. He is a 240 EMT. Mr. Rospert is also a police officer. Chief Johnson will give Mr. Day all the paperwork. Effective October 14, pending paperwork completion and background check.

Chief Johnson asked the board about VFIS Insurance. The trustees requested the numbers and the policies. Mr. Pooch motioned to table till next meeting, Mr. Bias seconded the motion. Vote: all ayes

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

Mr. Biglin presented a vacation request from Matt Studer (32 hours). Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve vacation request for Matt Studer. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Biglin updated that the trash cans for the cemetery will cost \$817 for shipping. Total amount will be \$2,056, which includes price increase and shipping.

Mr. Biglin ordered the pipe waterline for the Park and Rec. board. The price was \$1800.00.

Mr. Biglin stated that brush and leaf drop off is ready to go.

Mr. Biglin stated that he received a phone call that the truck has been delivered to Mansfield International. Will then be moved to be worked on.

Mr. Biglin stated that they are going to work in front of the shop and place asphalt down.

Hopefully will be ready for the dumpsters.

Mr. Biglin spoke to the board regarding OPWC. Having it reviewed by the liaison.

Mr. Biglin stated that there is no new update for the new columbarium.


Mr. Biglin stated we are going back to the state again for the salt contract.

Gysan's Lawncare sent over quotes for the Cement St. and the park. It would be \$8105.00 a year for 30 mowing's from Spring to Fall. Also, \$800 Spring cleanup. Mr. Biglin will run more numbers.

Mr. Biglin gave a reminder regarding the Republic Services tour on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30am.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to adjourn. Vote all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

  
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Chairperson

  
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Fiscal Officer