

MAY 18, 2023

The Margaretta Township Trustees met on May 18, 2023 at 7:00 PM

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

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2023 meeting as presented by Fiscal Officer Robert Day. 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

Sheriff Sigsworth, Erie County Sheriff:

Sheriff Sigsworth was present for his annual visit to the Township and offered his appreciation for the joint efforts of his department and the Township. He also discussed the cost of moving the radio antennas on the WGGN tower. Fiscal Officer Bob Day will get with Fire Chief Johnson to invoice the Sheriff's Office for their share of the relocation costs.

Kim Ruffing, Township Resident:

Mrs. Ruffing raised concerns over the rules and regulations for the cemeteries. She indicated that she has had items missing on her son's gravesite and other items being broken. Bob Biglin will address the issues with his staff.

Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector:

Mr. Schaeffer was not in attendance.

Dan Minor, Captain – Fire Department:

Captain Minor presented a request for Firefighter Shawn Hunsicker to attend a Fire Officer 1 Training Course. This is an online course at a cost of \$642.95. Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the online training course for Mr. Hunsicker. Vote: all ayes.

Captain Minor presented an application from Collin Armstrong for the full time firefighter vacancy. He is a fully qualified firefighter/medic and is the recommendation of Chief Johnson. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve the hiring of Collin Armstrong to the full time firefighter vacancy effective 5/20/2023 with a one-year probationary period consisting of 6 months as a Class C and 6 months as a Class B Firefighter/Medic with the move to Class A after completion of the one-year probation period. Vote: all ayes.

Captain Minor also presented two applications for part-time firefighter positions. He indicated that Chief Johnson recommended the hiring of Adam Martin and Brian Zimmerman to the part-time positions. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to approve the hiring of Adam Martin and Brian Zimmerman to the part-time firefighter positions effective 5/20/2023 at a rate of \$16.00/hour. Vote: all ayes.

Captain Minor indicated that the EMS Billing contract will be discussed at the next meeting. This is due to Beacon Medical closing their business effective 7/1/2023.

Bob Biglin, Road & Cemetery Department:

Mr. Biglin presented information on the Wreaths Across American program and how the Township will proceed with this program.

Mr. Biglin presented a letter from Tiffini McNeely, Erie County Solid Waste, that indicated the increase in recycling grants from \$2,500 to \$10,000 per municipality for recycling/clean-up costs for tires, appliances, scrap metal, yard waste and leaves.

Mr. Biglin reported that the advertisement for the Heywood Road resurfacing project will begin the first week of June and bids will be opened at 7:10 PM during the 6/15/23 meeting.

Mr. Biglin presented the contract with Republic Services for recycling costs. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to allow Fiscal Officer Robert Day to represent the Township in contract discussions with Republic Services for recycling costs.

Mr. Biglin indicated that Old Railroad and Maple will have Reclamite applied the week of May 22nd.

Board Items:

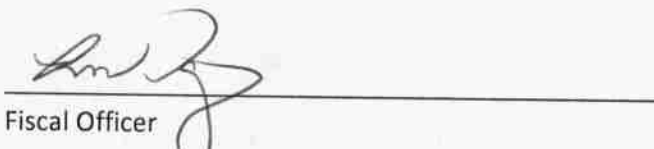
Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the vacation requests for Rob Street (48 hours) and Shawn Hunsicker (48 hours). Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Riesterer reminded all that the ETCA Summer Meeting will be held on Thursday June 8th at the Huron Township Building.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Pooch to increase the salary of Mr. Biglin from \$60,000 to \$65,000 annually effective 5/20/2023. This increase in salary is due to completion of his probationary period. Vote: all ayes.

Mr. Pooch moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to adjourn. Vote: all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM.


Chairperson


Fiscal Officer