

JANUARY 24, 2019

The Margareta Township Trustees met on January 24, 2019 at 7:00 PM

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

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the minutes from the January 10, 2019 meeting as presented by the Fiscal Officer Robert Day. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve and sign the warrants (17525-17557) and EFTs submitted for payment by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: all ayes

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

Jim Neill: Road & Cemetery Department: (Mr. Neill not in attendance)

Mr. Pooch reported that the road salt supply is running low and we may need to purchase additional road salt. Mr. Neill and Matt Studer will keep the Board apprised.

Mr. Pooch discussed the crypts/niches and possible pricing changes. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer for the pricing for the crypts/niches to remain the same and to include the opening/closing retroactive to January 1, 2019. This action is to include previously purchased unused niches. Vote: all ayes

Thomas Johnson, Fire Chief:

Chief Johnson presented vacation requests for Dan Minor (72 hours) and Rob Street (24 hours). Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the vacation requests. Vote: all ayes

Chief Johnson reported there is a need to replace the kitchen stove in the firehouse. He requested a gas stove and will have Firefighter Keith Killingsworth run the gas line. Chief will seek discount pricing thru Whirlpool.

Chief Johnson discussed the cost to replace turnout gear in 2019 (4 sets of gear) along with boots, gloves, and helmets. Chief indicated the expected price would be approximately \$17,000.00. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the purchase of turn out gear not to exceed \$17,000.00. Vote: all ayes

Chief Johnson reported on his discussions with Buckeye Telesystems regarding the concerns with improving the internet service/speed. He will proceed with the upgrade to a dedicated fiber line at an increased cost of \$20.00/month.

Chief Johnson discussed the 2019 contract with North Central EMS. He has sent to the prosecutor's office for review.

Chief reported that the wash/extractor has been repaired. He further discussed the meeting with BWC/PERP regarding OSEA standards and the \$15,000 grant available (with a 5 to 1 match) to purchase a new washer/extractor. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to pursue the BWC grant and approve the matching funds. Vote: all ayes

Chief Johnson discussed the Life Packs #12 and #15 and issues with the batteries. He will determine if it is beneficial to trade those items for newer ones or buy the new ones outright. Chief will report his findings at the next meeting.

Chief will be trading one of the Surface computers for a new Surface Pro with an additional cost of \$450.00 due to internal battery problems.

Chief reported that he will be posting the new part-time positions on Facebook and hopes to fill the positions by 5/1/2019.

Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector & Thomas Johnson, Asst. Zoning Inspector:

Mr. Johnson discussed the variance hearing for Dennis Grahl held on 1/22/19. He reported on possible alternatives for Mr. Grahl.

Mr. Johnson presented plans for possible lot splits in Village Hill Estates. He will provide additional information as it becomes available.

Board Items:

Mr. Riesterer discussed the issue of John Fox pumping out his basement water onto the Miller Road/Bardshar Road intersection. The Trustees directed Fiscal Officer Bob Day to draft/send a letter to Mr. Fox informing him to cease and desist pumping onto the road.

Mr. Pooch presented a letter from Erie County regarding the sale of the David Scheef property in Crystal Rock. The Board discussed possible acquisition of properties similar to this in the future for potential clean up and resale.

Mr. Pooch provided an update on the concession stand upgrades. The upgrades continue and will be completed by spring.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to adjourn. Vote: all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Chairperson


Fiscal Officer