

**MARCH 7, 2019**

**The Margaretta Township Trustees met on March 7, 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 February 21, 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 (17647-17713) 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

**Matt Old, Erie County Commissioner, C.J. Kamm, Candidate for Erie County Municipal Judge, Jeff Whitaker, Candidate for Erie County Municipal Judge:**

Mr. Old introduced each candidate. They each provided a summary of their qualifications along with a personal history.

**Lyn Paprzycki and Grace Whittington, Township Residents:**

Mr. Paprzycki requested a review of the speed limit on Billings Road. He discussed concerns of elderly residents crossing the street to retrieve their mail. The Trustees suggested they contact the Post Office for assistance. Jim Neill to request a speed survey from Erie County.

**Jim Neill: Road & Cemetery Department:**

Mr. Neill discussed continuing the agreement to provide services to Sand Hill Cemetery and the proposed prices. Mr. Neill presented Resolution 2019-03. A Resolution to enter into an agreement with Sand Hill Cemetery for services. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve Resolution 2019-03. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Bias – yes; Mr. Riesterer – yes; Mr. Pooch – yes.

Mr. Neill prepared an advertisement and a job description for the proposed full time Road Department position. The Board reviewed the application of Adam Thomas. Mr. Neill will run an advertisement for the position with a deadline for submission of 4/1/2019.

Mr. Neill delivered bid specs on the Heywood Road storm sewer repair/replacement to Hula Construction, Paul Fox Excavating, Shortridge Construction, and Castalia Trenching. Bids are to be opened on 3/21/19 at the Township Trustee meeting.

Mr. Neill developed a summary of road inventory and maintenance to present to the County prior to the 3/15/19 deadline. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve and submit the road inventory and maintenance report to the County by 3/15/19. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Neill discussed the need for road repairs in Village Hill Estates.

Mr. Riesterer presented pictures (provided by Dave Bailey) of trees and brush that are causing flooding in the Mills Creek ditch east of Maple Avenue. The Board recommends petitioning the County for ditch maintenance. Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to proceed with ditch petition on Mills Creek

ditch from Mason Road to Miller Road. Vote: all ayes. Mr. Neill to obtain the application from the County.

**Thomas Johnson, Fire Chief:**

Chief Johnson presented a vacation request for Dan Strayer (48 hours). Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the vacation requests. Vote: all ayes

Chief Johnson requested the switch from analog to digital for two radios and one repeater at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.00. Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve the switch at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.00. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve the hire of Robert Holm, Ethan Felton, and Robert Maschari as part-time firefighters effective 5/1/19. The new hires will have a 60-day probationary period to be paid at \$12.00/hour and a post-probationary rate of \$13.00/hour for EMT services and \$15.00/hour for Medic services. Vote: all ayes

Chief Johnson discussed the repairs to M-111 and M-122. Repairs to be completed by Sandusky City.

**Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector (not in attendance) & Thomas Johnson, Asst. Zoning Inspector:**

Mr. Johnson discussed the proposed changes to Village Hill Estates. He will keep the Board apprised of future changes.

**Board Items:**

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to increase the pay rate of the returning summer help by .25/hour. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve the park maintenance contract with XXL for 2019. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve the contract with Kevin Fenwick to manage the Lions Park concession stand for the period of 3/15/19 thru 11/1/19 with a rental fee of \$600.00/year. Vote: all ayes

Mr. Riesterer presented a request from an independent party to place information on the Township website. Mr. Riesterer will refer the individual to the County for possible inclusion on their website.

Mr. Riesterer discussed changes to the ECTA summer picnic to be held on Thursday 6/13/19 at Millsite Lodge. There will now be a deposit of \$550.00 along with a charge of \$28.00/person based on a 50-person minimum. This will included a tour of Castalia Trout Club & Hatchery.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to adjourn. Vote: all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

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Chairperson

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Fiscal Officer