

**The Margaretta Township Trustees met on August 4 2022, at 7:00 PM**

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

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to approve the minutes from the July 21, 2022, meeting as presented by Fiscal Officer Robert Day. Vote: All Ayes

Mr. Riesterer 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. Riesterer to approve the financial reports submitted by the Fiscal Officer. Vote: All Ayes

**Mark Michel, Township Resident:**

Mr. Michel discussed the postcards he has been receiving from various vendors regarding a desire to erect windmills on his property. He questioned what the position of the Trustees was in regards to windmills in the Township. He was informed that the Erie County Township Association is working at the State level to insure all options are considered and will keep residents informed.

**Heather Hupp, Township Resident (Oxbo Road):**

Mrs. Hupp discussed the issue with trees that are on neighboring property owned by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. She indicated that several trees have already fallen on her property and more trees are leaning over her property. She also raised concern on the overgrowth covering the trails that now force people to walk on her property to gain access to the ODNR property. The Trustees met with an ODNR rep on 8/4/22. ODNR has requested property line descriptions and will offer assistance in cleaning up the access road.

**Board Items:**

Mr. Riesterer moved, seconded by Mr. Bias to approve the vacation request for Robert Maschari (8 hours) Vote: All Ayes.

Mr. Pooch discussed the pay incentives for part-time fire department employees as presented by Lt. Mike Jesberger. The Trustees will review the incentive program for consideration at the 8/18/22 meeting.

**Chris Schaeffer, Zoning Inspector:**

Mr. Schaeffer discussed the 12-acre property St Rt 101 by O.E. Meyer that will be auctioned off. A business owner in the township approached Mr. Schaeffer regarding the possibility of zoning changes. Mr. Schaeffer will present additional information at an upcoming meeting.

Mr. Schaeffer discussed the need for roadside mowing on a small section of Perkins Avenue extension. Mr. Neill will send a crew out to take care of it.

Mr. Pooch discussed the violations that were issued by the Erie County Health Department to Mr. Johnson for the lack of property maintenance on his Thicket Road residence.

**Thomas Johnson, Fire Chief:**

Chief Johnson was absent due to illness and was represented by Captain Dean Gasser. There were no topics for discussion.

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

Mr. Neill reported that the 2017 Navistar truck had to be towed to Truck Sales & Service in Norwalk due to emission control problems. He will keep the Board apprised as to the progress of the repairs.

Mr. Neill reported that the Crystal Rock Landowners Association is having a meeting on August 28<sup>th</sup> and are requesting a Township representative attend. The Board will respond by asking a member of the Crystal Rock Landowners Association attend a Township Trustees meeting with their concerns. This will allow the issues to become part of a public record for future reference.

Mr. Neill informed the Board that Polen Implement cannot provide a definitive date as to the delivery of the new road mower. This is due to a delay in delivery of the mowing equipment from Alamo Equipment. The road department will continue to use the current mower.

Mr. Neill presented the cost to pave South Avenue in the Village. He estimated that a two-inch overlay would require 290 tons of asphalt at \$65.00/ton. Total cost estimate for materials is \$18,850.00. The charge for labor and equipment would have to also be determined. The Trustees will meet in a work session with the Village of Castalia to determine an action on the paving of South Avenue.

Mr. Bias moved, seconded by Mr. Riesterer to adjourn. Vote: All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:20PM.

  
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Gary Pooch, Chairman

  
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Robert Day, Fiscal Officer

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August 4, 2022

## *Meeting Agenda*

1. Call to order / roll call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Welcome to all in attendance
4. Approval of the minutes
5. Approval of the warrants
6. Approval of the Fiscal Officers financial report
7. Meeting open to the floor
8. Charles Hupp 8807 Oxbo Road
9. Mark Michaels solar farms
10. Fire Department
11. Road/Cemetery
  - a. MT 3 repairs
  - b. Oxbo Road trees
  - c. Road department position
  - d. ODNR meeting
  - e. Maple Ave project
12. Zoning
  - a. Thicket Road
13. Storm water
14. Board items
15. Parks
  - a. Fire hydrant
  - b. Lights
  - c. WIFI Update