

December 20, 2016

The Board of Trustees of Marion Township, Marion County, Ohio met in its regular meeting. Mr. Clabaugh called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. with the following members and visitors present:

Mr. Lynn Clabaugh	Present	Mr. Larry Ballinger	Present
Ms. Karen McCleary	Present	Ms. Sheila Perin	Present

**EMPLOYEES:** Larry Brown, Chief Meddles, Charlie Fosnaugh

**GUESTS:** Dan Stewart, Gus Comstock, Chelsea Bumb, Joe Hopple, Erin Kashawlic, Julie Benziger, Dave Freyhuf, Jeremy Kent, Tim Anderson, Sue and Stan Werling, and Andrew Esposito.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The public hearing was opened for the rezoning of the wind turbine from A-1 (agricultural) to I-3 (industrial) per the request of One Energy (see handout). One Energy is asking for approval from the township board.

Questions followed from the Board. Stan Werling voiced his opinion against the wind turbines.

Mr. Clabaugh entertained a motion to approve the rezoning request from A-1 to I-3.

Mr. Clabaugh, abstained; Ms. McCleary, yes; Mr. Ballinger, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Clabaugh entertained a motion to close the hearing. Ms. McCleary seconded the motion. Motion carried. The hearing was closed at 5:26 pm.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment

Ms. McCleary made a motion to approve the regular board meeting minutes from December 6, 2016. Mr. Ballinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence received from Marion County Engineer with salt prices for 2017. Salt prices have decreased \$20/ton. New salt price is \$50/salt; \$40 for mixed.

At this time, Mr. Clabaugh made a motion to adjourn out of Regular Session and enter into Executive Session to discuss Collective Bargaining, Purchase of Property, and Personnel. Ms. McCleary seconded the motion. Roll call as follows: Mr. Clabaugh, yes; Ms. McCleary, yes; Mr. Ballinger, yes. The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 5:40 pm. Ms. McCleary made a motion to adjourn out of Executive Session and re-enter into Regular Session. Mr. Ballinger seconded the motion. The Board adjourned out of Executive Session at 7:06 pm.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Ms. McCleary made a motion to ratify the union agreement as presented by Andrew Esposito. Mr. Ballinger seconded the motion. Roll call as follows: Mr. Clabaugh, yes; Ms. McCleary, yes; Mr. Ballinger, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Clabaugh made a motion to purchase 3.869 acres located at New Park Drive and St. Rt. 309 at a purchase price of \$320,000 from BGZ Associates, LLC. Ms. McCleary seconded the motion.

**MARION TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION  
NO. 2016-1220**

**IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION** to enter into a Real Estate Purchase Contract for the purchase of 3.89 acres of land located at the southeast corner of St. Rt. 309 and New Park Drive, Marion, OH for the future site of a fire station.

**WHEREAS**, the Marion Township Trustees have been presented with the opportunity to purchase land, which is more fully described on the attached Exhibit "A" from BGZ Associates, LLC; and

**WHEREAS**, the Marion Township Trustees have reviewed the Real Estate Purchase Contract attached as Exhibit "B" and agree to the terms contained therein; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND HEREBY ORDERED** that the Real Estate Purchase Contract, which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B" be executed and entered into by the Chairman, Lynn Clabaugh on behalf of the Board of Trustees of Marion Township, Ohio for the purchase of real estate described on the attached Exhibit "A";

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Fiscal Officer pays, pursuant to the Real Estate Purchase Contract, any monies necessary to complete the terms of the Real Estate Purchase Contract.

THE AFORESAID matter came before the Board of Marion Township Trustees on December 20, 2016 at a regularly scheduled Board of Trustees meeting.

Mr. Clabaugh made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Ms. McCleary.

Roll call as follows: Mr. Clabaugh, yes; Ms. McCleary, yes; Mr. Ballinger, yes. Motion carried.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Marion Township approved this resolution to be effective December 20, 2016.

Fire Department Lease purchase – Nothing to report.

Soto property appeal – nothing further to report. Appeal hearing is scheduled for December 28, 2016 at 1:00 pm.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Road Department Report**

Mr. Brown reported on the following:

48 tons of salt used so far in the month of December.  
During ice events stop signs & intersections are salted. No major mechanical issues with plow trucks.  
Inventory completed for Road Dept. and Admin. Building.

**Zoning Report**  
**ZONING ACTIVITY**

No zoning activity to report.

**Fire Department Report**

Chief Meddles reported on the following:

Fire Department Status Boards are up and running.

Radios were installed and finished 12/16/2016

Switched to the MARC's radios 12/19/2016

Contract voted on and passed per Local 2134

Received 2 week notice from Lt. Holliday. Last day of employment 12/31/2016. Marion Star has been requested to do a write up on this.

Need to promote Nathan Clark to position of Lieutenant starting 01/01/2017. Re-assign Nathan to Station Two on "B" Shift.

Fire department had a several fires in the last week. All went well with no reported injuries.

Crews are working on department inventory and should be completed soon.

Chief will have a completed yearend report to present at the December 30, 2016.

Marion Township Fire Department will recognize "The Fire Fighter of the Year" award December 30, 2016 and will be presented a uniform metal to be worn. This is something new to the department and Chief feels this is a positive step in showing appreciation for hard work and dedication.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Ms. McCleary to adjourn. Mr. Clabaugh seconded the motion and roll call was as follows: Mr. Clabaugh, yes; Ms. McCleary, yes, Mr. Ballinger, yes. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm.

_____	Mr. Lynn Clabaugh, Chairman
_____	Ms. Karen McCleary, Vice-Chairman
_____	Mr. Larry Ballinger, Trustee
_____	Ms. Sheila Perin, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Marion Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and /or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in the meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.