



President, Jim Keller called the June meeting of The Marion Community Development Organization to order by reciting The Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held on June 11, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. at the Marion Township Building. Minutes were approved as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report was given by Barb Kahlig:

CURRENT TOTAL ASSETS		\$90,526.64	
<i>Asset Allocations</i>		<i>Funding Allocations</i>	
Checking	\$66,730.87	Recreation Fund	\$13,693.10
CD's	\$10,359.77	General Fund - MCDO	\$16,910.28
Pass Book	<u>\$13,436.00</u>	Marion Soccer	\$8,227.71
Total Assets	\$90,526.64	Girls' Softball	\$7,817.35
		ML FFA	\$6,987.69
		Boys Baseball	\$10,119.73
		AS Promo	\$3,817.87
		AG Solutions	\$3,040.81
		Ag Ed Boosters	\$14,047.30
		Ag Ed Scholarship	\$5,500.00
		ML Bowling	<u>\$364.80</u>
		Total Assets	\$90,526.64

Bill Winner made a motion to pay the bills; Bob Dippold seconded the motion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP AND PROMOTION COMMITTEE

Committee Chairperson – Bob Dippold

Thank you for mailing in your 2013 MCDO Membership. We appreciate your support to the community. Please contact Bob Dippold (419) 305-0128 or Barb Kahlig (419) 925-6301 or email to mcdo@bright.net if you have any questions.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Committee Chairperson – Jason Winner

The weekly winners of the 301 Club are as follows:

May 19: Deb & John Hoyt

May 26: Phil & Anne Thobe

June 2: Harry & Marge Heitkamp

June 9: Dave & Jenny Albers

AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Committee Chairperson – Mark Hardesty

As a result of elections held at the April, 2013 meeting, new officers were installed at the May Ag Ed Boosters meeting. Bart Homan moved from vice president to president. Larry Reichert was elected as the new vice president. Kelly Schmitmeyer elected as secretary. Therese Homan remains as treasurer for one more year. All are invited to the June meeting which will be held on Monday the 17th, 8pm in the ML Ag Ed classroom.

Bryan P. Ducharme, Chief Operating Officer with ElectroCell Technologies will present at a special Ag Solutions meeting at the Chickasaw Library on Wednesday evening June 19, at 8pm. ElectroCell is promoting technology which will consolidate phosphorous at the bottom of a swine pit. Additionally manure treated with their process has much lower odors as well as dramatically lower levels of fecal coliform, e-coli and other pathogens. All are welcome to attend.

NEW BUSINESS:

Both our new treasurer Jean Bender and our new membership chairperson Bob Dippold assumed their new duties at the June meeting. They respectively replace Sister Barbara Hoying and Bill Winner both of whom served multiple years. Thanks to them for their great service and welcome Jean and Bob. Bill announced that for 2013 the MCDO has 200 family memberships. For sure an all time recent high. Thanks to all who joined to make this possible.

OLD BUSINESS:

The initiative to expand the Industrial Park to the south continues to progress. As reported in the June 11 Daily Standard, Ron Puthoff (who is coordinating the effort for the Township trustees) and Jared Ebbing met with the Marion Local administration and board to discuss Tax Increment Financing (TIF). A TIF allows for tax revenue to be temporarily redirected to pay for such things as infrastructure on a property. Much of the original Industrial Park was funded in this manner. The school has enjoyed significant benefits from the original arrangement and long term would do so again.

VILLAGE, TOWNSHIP AND SCHOOL REPORTS

Chickasaw – Chickasaw's 175th anniversary celebration was a huge success. The MCDO and the entire Marion Community congratulates them on their many achievements over the years.

Chickasaw Park Board Report – For information on renting the park shelters, call Kelli Thobe at 419- 925-5810.

Osgood – Osgood reports that they have no significant projects currently being planned.

Osgood Park Board Report – For information on renting the park shelters, call Alan Wendel at 419-582-4502.

Marion Township – No news this month

Marion Township Park Board – For information or concerns about the park, call Ron Hartings at 925-4804.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm., with a motion from Maria Rethman, seconded by Jean Bender. The next meeting of the MCDO is scheduled for Tuesday, July 9, 2013 at 7:00p.m at the Marion Township Building.

Submitted by: Jim Keller, President

Board of Directors

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Committee Chairpersons

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