



President, Jim Keller called the November meeting of The Marion Community Development Organization to order by reciting The Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held on November 12, 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. Bob Unrast moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Mark Hardesty seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

CURRENT TOTAL ASSETS \$105,063.62

Asset Allocations

Checking	\$81,906.07
CD's	\$10,396.55
Pass Book	<u>\$12,761.00</u>
Total Assets	\$105,063.62

Funding Allocations

Recreation Fund	\$13,294.98
General Fund - MCDO	\$16,715.10
Marion Soccer	\$5,887.28
Girls' Softball	\$5,159.85
ML FFA	\$18,055.34
Boys Baseball	\$12,394.16
AS Promo	\$3,817.87
AG Solutions	\$2,481.16
Ag Ed Boosters	\$21,356.30
Ag Ed Scholarship	\$5,500.00
ML Bowling	\$364.80
Total Assets	\$105,063.62

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 – Kirk Stucke

The weekly winners of the 301 Club are as follows:

- October 13: Ron & Viv Hartings
- October 20: Jay & Karen Homan
- October 27: Jeff & Laura Pohl
- November 3: Phil & Marcia Moeller
- November 10: Ben & Tessa Moeller

Kirk Stucke reported that 301 Club membership renewals have recently been mailed. He also advised that their Appreciation Party will be January 17, 2014, after the basketball game.

HEALTH, SAFETY & EDUCATION

Committee Chairperson – Elaine Wolters

The American Red Cross will be having a blood drive at the Montezuma Volunteer Fire Dept./Franklin Twp. Building on December 03, from 12:00PM-6:00PM. There will also be a blood drive at the Burkettsville Shelter House on December 07, from 8:00AM-12:00PM, please call 1-800-Red-Cross to schedule an appointment.

With winter setting in, so do the signs and symptoms of dry skin. Here are a few tips to help relieve these symptoms.

- Do not use hot water for showers or baths. Hot water removes your natural oils more quickly. Warm water is best.
- Use a gentle cleanser. Look for either a mild fragrance-free soap or a soap substitute that moisturizes.
- Limit time in the bathtub or shower. A 5 – 10 minute shower adds moisture to the skin, spending more time in the shower often leaves your skin less hydrated.
- Moisturize right after baths and showers. To lock in moisture, apply a moisturizer while the skin is still damp.
- Use a dehumidifier. Keep the air in your house moist.
- Soothe chapped lips. At bedtime apply lip balm that contains petroleum jelly or mineral oil.
- Cover up outdoors in winter. Wear a scarf and gloves to help prevent chapped lips and hands.

A healthy attitude is contagious, but don't wait to catch it from others. Be a carrier.

AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Committee Chairperson – Mark Hardesty

The Grain Safety Demonstrations/Training session on October 21, went very well. The Ohio State Ag Department, Local Fire Departments and the County Extension Office were all involved. Many Ag students and local farmers attended. Thanks to all the participants for this fantastic event.

Mark Hardesty reported that the November 4, Ag Solutions meeting went very well. Things are moving forward with Terry Mescher and others coordinating many science based initiatives.

Recently students from Marion Local's Ag Ed Program attended the National FFA Convention. Lauren Bruns received her American FFA Degree. She is the first ML student to receive this since the early 90's. Congratulations Lauren!

At the upcoming FFA Meeting on Monday, November 18, there will be a Greenhand Induction Ceremony where the new FFA Members will be officially invited into the FFA Program. An Ag Ed booster member will address the students and attendees. All are welcome.

OLD BUSINESS:

Don Rosenbeck informed us that the Kreuzweg bike tour for 2014 will be held on September 14, 2014. They are hoping that the earlier date, which is a Sunday, will provide a better turnout of riders.

NKTelco has their communications hut installed on SR 716 a bit north of SR 119. They are also installing conduit as they continue to work toward providing service to Chickasaw, Maria Stein and Osgood.

NEW BUSINESS:

It was approved by Mark Hardesty and seconded by Greg Garmann to rollover the CD that is maturing at this time.

The athletic departments of Celina, Coldwater, St. Henry and Marion will be hosting girls' (11/22 & 11/23) and boys' (12/27 & 12/28) basketball tournaments. Anyone wishing to help sponsor this event can contact Dan Koenig: koenigd@marionlocal.org or (419) 925-4597. The MCDO was requested to sponsor but declined since this activity does not meet the criteria established through precedent.

VILLAGE, TOWNSHIP AND SCHOOL REPORTS

Chickasaw – Most residents have already returned their income surveys even though the final completion date is 12/01. The state will not compile the numbers until that date. The village is hoping to have results by mid December. Hopefully the results are such that funding for a new water facility can be obtained.

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

Osgood –.

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

Marion Township –

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

Greg Garmann reported that there is a new storage building will be erected on the west side of the track. This will replace the old building that was in disrepair and will be used to store track equipment. He also reported that Brenda Schwieterman will be replacing Greg on the School Board in January, 2014. Congratulations to Brenda!

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50, with a motion from Mark Hardesty, seconded by Don Rosenbeck. The next meeting of the MCDO is scheduled for Tuesday, December 10, 2013 at 7:00p.m at the Marion Township Building.

Submitted by: Jim Keller, President

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