



President, Ted Bertke called the October meeting of The Marion Community Development Organization to order by reciting The Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held on October 13, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. at the Marion Township Building. Meeting minutes that include updates not covered at the meeting were approved as discussed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was given by Shannon Everman. Mark Hardesty moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Elaine Wolters seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

<i>Asset Allocations</i>		CURRENT TOTAL ASSETS	\$227,963	<i>Funding Allocations</i>	
Checking	\$194,361			Recreation Fund	\$17,697
CD's	\$16,448			General Fund – MCDO	\$31,415
Savings	\$17,154			Marion Soccer	\$17,858
Total Assets	\$227,963			Girls' Softball	\$4,436
				ML FFA	\$25,475
				ML FFA Pork Producers	\$17,481
				Boys Baseball	\$18,826
				Ag Ed Boosters	\$31,723
				Ag Ed Scholarship	\$2,000
				ML Bowling	\$2,026
				Marion Industrial Park Association	\$7,489
				Woods Chapel Maintenance Fund	\$3,031
				Multi-Use Path	\$45,911
				Fundamental League	\$2,595
				Total Assets	\$227,963

COMMITTEE REPORTS

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Committee Chairperson – Nick Boeckman

The weekly winners of the 301 Club are as follows:

September 14: Ted & Nancee Homan	October 5: Alan & Nadine Wendel
September 21: Greg & Stacie Homan	October 12: Ted & Sarah Bergman
September 28: Keith Seitz	

MARION TOWNSHIP PARK

Committee Chairperson – Lee Heitkamp

Please follow Marion Township Park on **Facebook (Marion Township Park)** and on **Twitter (@MarionTwpPark)**. You can also contact us through email: mariontwppk@gmail.com. The Monthly Park Raffle Winners for October are:

- \$50 – Jason Ranly
- \$30 – Carl & Betty Kremer
- \$25 – LouAnn Kremer
- \$25 – Craig & Amy Knapke

MEMBERSHIP AND PROMOTION COMMITTEE

Committee Chairperson – Bob Dippold

Thank you for all the members that have turned in their memberships and for your continued support with the MCDO! Membership for the year is \$15.00 for a family and \$60.00 for a business. Please contact Bob Dippold (419) 305-0128 or Shannon Everman (419) 925-5707 or email to admin@marioncommunities.com if you have any questions about the status of your membership.

HEALTH, SAFETY & EDUCATION

Committee Chairperson – Elaine Wolters

The American Red Cross will be having a blood drive at the Maria Stein American Legion Hall on Monday, November 9 from 12:00PM – 6:00PM. The American Red Cross will also have a blood drive at Mercer Health on Friday, November 13 from 12:00PM – 5:00PM. Please call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule an appointment or register online at redcrossblood.org.

If you have recovered from COVID 19 and want to donate plasma to help others, it is now as simple as donating blood at a blood drive. Donations that come back positive for COVID 19 antibodies now undergo secondary testing confirming antibody results and that enables the Red Cross to then potentially use the plasma from those donations for COVID 19 patients.

During the month of October, Mercer Health Medical Group will be holding a drive thru flu vaccine clinic for established primary care patients who are 6 months of age and older. Appointments are required and patients must call their primary care physician to be scheduled.

Mercer Health is now part of the Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center Telestroke Network. By participating in the Telestroke Network, Mercer Health is bringing faster, enhanced stroke care to the community. The goal of being a part of the Telestroke Network is to increase access to advance care in regions in Ohio that do not have neurovascular and neurosurgical physicians. The Telestroke Network utilizes video technology that directly links Ohio State stroke specialists to the Community Hospital physicians to determine the next step in patient care.

HOUSING

Committee Chairperson – Bob Unrast

The St. Francis housing development south of Chickasaw has six building lots available. The lots are between .381 and .711 acres starting at \$28,500 and include village water and sewage. Contact Tess Mescher for more information at 419-305-0106.

The Lochtefeld Addition in Chapel Hill still has lots available for sale. For more information, call 419-678-4384.

The Woodview Estates subdivision still has lots available for sale. For more information, please contact Jay Ruhenkamp at 937-295-4244.

Heitkamp Developers has two additional lots in Marion Acres for sale. Please contact Dan Heitkamp at 419-925-4307 for more information.

RCS Construction has lots along Washington Avenue North available for sale and new home construction. For information on all lots available for sale in Marion Acres, please contact Randy Bruns at 419-305-1869.

AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Committee Chairperson – Mark Hardesty

Thank you to all those who supported the Marion Local FFA and St. Henry FFA's Pork Producers Stand at the Mercer County Fair! The FFA is adapting to the changes in regularly scheduled events throughout the year with most of the events now hosted virtually. This creates some challenges especially for judging competitions, but the FFA is working hard to keep students excited and engaged.

The next Ag Ed Boosters meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 19, 2020 at 8:00 p.m. in the Ag Ed Room.

OLD BUSINESS:

MULTI-USE PATH

The Marion Community Greenway Project is still progressing. With many generous donations already pledged, local funds committed have reached over \$215,000. The timeline for the project is projected to be 2020 Land Acquisition Phase and 2021 Construction Phase. This project would not be possible without the generosity and support of many organizations, businesses and people, all which help make this community incredible! The committee has also recently applied for an Ohio Capital Grant, which will help offset the remaining funds needed. The timeframe for notification of the grant application approval has been pushed back to Fall 2020. It is anticipated that the target request for bid for the construction of the path will now be in October/November 2020.

Thank you to all those who have supported the September Party in the Park held on Sunday, September 27th, 2020! The Committee appreciates all those who are continuing to support the pledge program for the Marion Township Greenway Project!

OTHER

The Marion Community Land Development, LLC owns 80 acres to the North of the existing Industrial Park for a Phase IV expansion of the Industrial Park. Several buyers have shown interest in and are committed to various lots in the Park. There are only 2 lots available for purchase. For more information, please contact Gary Moeller, Scott Huelsman, or Dan Heitkamp.

NEW BUSINESS:

The MCDO provided a donation to support the FlyerGate event hosted by Osgood State Bank in September.

VILLAGE, TOWNSHIP AND SCHOOL REPORTS:

Chickasaw – No new information to report.

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

Osgood – No new report.

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

Marion Township – No new information to report.

Marion Township Park Board – For information or concerns about the park, call Ryan Stucke 419-852-5088.

Marion Local Schools – No new information to report.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 a.m., with a motion from Bob Unrast and seconded by Bob Dippold. The next scheduled MCDO meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. in the Marion Township Building.

Submitted by: Ted Bertke, President

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