



President, Ted Bertke called the December meeting of The Marion Community Development Organization to order by reciting The Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held on December 13, 2022 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 Jean Bender. Lisa Buschur moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Bob Unrast seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

<i>Asset Allocations</i>		CURRENT TOTAL ASSETS	\$286,030	<i>Funding Allocations</i>	
Checking	\$250,407			Recreation Fund	\$21,555
CD's	\$16,744			General Fund – MCDO	\$38,913
Savings	\$18,879			Marion Soccer	\$18,023
Total Assets	\$286,030			Girls' Softball	\$6,892
				ML FFA	\$28,946
				ML FFA Pork Producers	\$28,035
				Boys Baseball	\$19,059
				Ag Ed Boosters	\$32,405
				Ag Ed Scholarship	\$1,500
				ML Bowling	\$1,875
				Marion Industrial Park Association	\$15,953
				Woods Chapel Maintenance Fund	\$1,254
				Multi-Use Path	\$62,022
				Fundamental League	\$5,959
				Youth Basketball	\$1,099
				Carthagen Park	\$2,540
				Total Assets	\$286,030

COMMITTEE REPORTS

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Committee Chairperson – Kyle Moeller

The weekly winners of the 301 Club are as follows:

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| November 14: Dean & Lori Homan | December 5: Doug & Shelly Hartings |
| November 21: Allen & Teri Spoltman | December 12: Aaron & Sarah Timmerman |
| November 28: Brian Dwenger | |

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 December are:

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| \$50 – Ric & Gail Mueller | \$25 – Allen & Teri Spoltman |
| \$30 – Jesse & Sandy Ranly | \$25 – Jay & Joyce Huber |

Merry Christmas

MEMBERSHIP AND PROMOTION COMMITTEE

Committee Chairperson – Bob Dippold

The 2023 Membership Drive will begin in January and the new membership form is included below. Memberships help facilitate growth in the community with projects like the expansion of the industrial park and facilitate youth sports. 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 – Lisa Buschur

Construction is on track for Mercer Health's Marion Campus with a projected Fall 2023 completion date. Have a Safe & Healthy Holiday Season!

HOUSING

Committee Chairperson – Bob Unrast

The St. Francis housing development south of Chickasaw has four 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 Woodview Estates subdivision still has lots available for sale. For more information, please contact Jay Ruhenkamp at 937-295-4244.

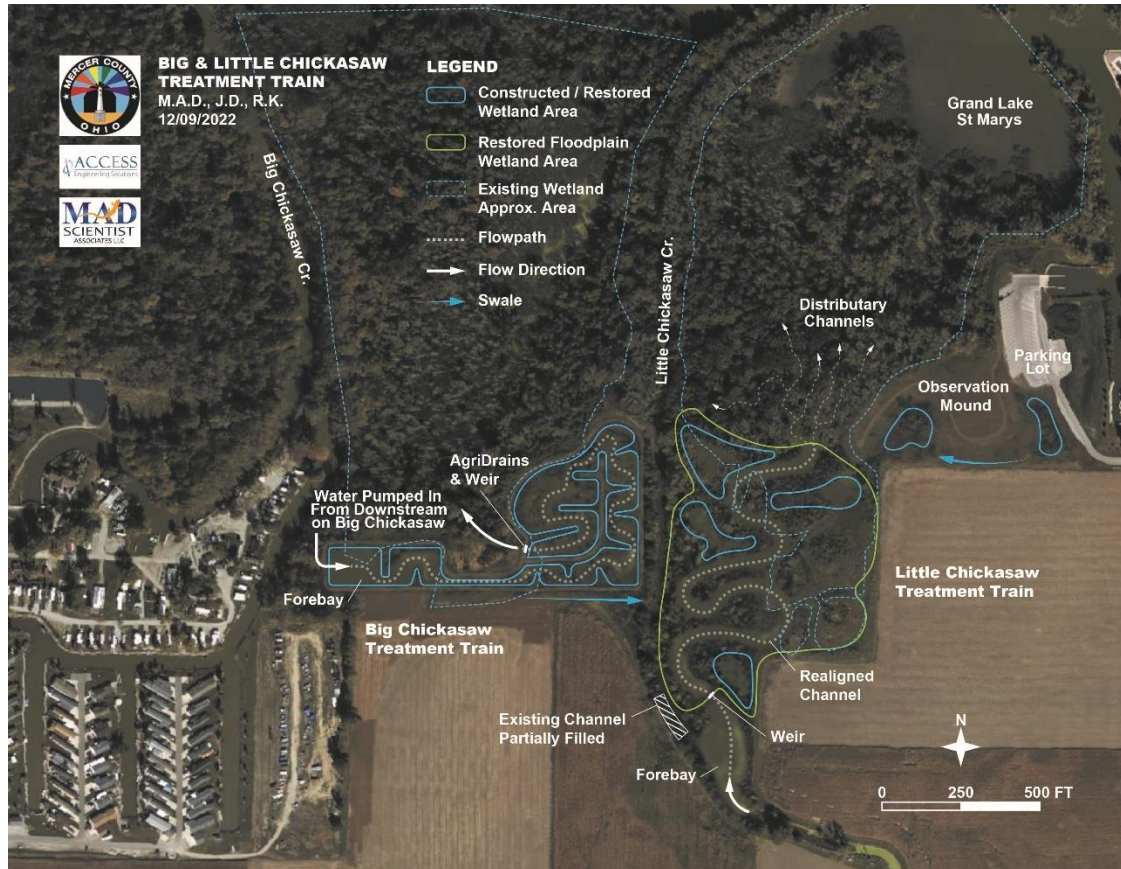
Heitkamp Developers has two additional lots in Marion Acres for sale. Please contact Dan Heitkamp at 419-925-4307 for more information.

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

Mark Hardesty provided an update on the FFA and Ag Solutions. The Ag Solutions group continues to work on various



conservation projects. Chickasaw Creek clearing and grubbing has been awarded. The consultants are on track to bid the full project in February. Here is the most recent concept drawing for the project.

The Ag Booster meeting was held on 11-21 with guest speaker Allison Ryan discussing the Grand Event Center on the grounds of the Mercer County Fairgrounds.

The winter community meeting is set for February 9 at the Catholic Financial Life Center at 730. Jeff Sullivan from Elanco is the speaker on Sustainability and Carbon Credits.

The Ag students are very thankful for a two-teacher department. This allows them to prepare for Parliamentary Procedure Contest including a novice team, an Ag Issues team. They are working on Proficiency and Degree applications. The chapter has voted to create a display plaque recognizing American Degree recipients.

The next Ag Booster Meeting will be held on Monday, December 19 at 8:00 p.m. in the Ag Ed Room. All are invited!

OTHER BUSINESS:

As a reminder, for all Zoning Permits in Marion Township, please contact Ted Nagel at 567-644-8986.

The Maria Stein Legion will be remodeling the hall starting April 23, 2023. Anyone that has the hall rented after that date needs to be informed that they are NOT TO PLACE ANYTHING ON THE WALLS. There will be restrictions and extra charges if the new rules are not followed. If you have any questions please call 419-305-4721. Thanks for understanding and being patient during the remodeling process.

VILLAGE, TOWNSHIP AND SCHOOL REPORTS:

Chickasaw – No new information to report.

Chickasaw Park Board Report – For information on renting the park shelters, call Dianna Gerlach at 419-305-3228.

Osgood – No new information to 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 – Elementary Principal Nick Wilker turned in his resignation and his last day will be July 31, 2023 at Marion Local Schools. The next Task Force meeting will be held on Monday, January 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Elementary Band Room.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 a.m., with a motion from Jean Bender and seconded by Bob Dippold. The next scheduled MCDO meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. in the Marion Township Building. Submitted by: Ted Bertke, President

Board of Directors

Ted Bertke, President	419-852-1072
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Jean Bender, Treasurer	419-925-4254
Shannon Everman, Coordinator	419-925-5707

Committee Chairpersons

Agricultural Development:	Mark Hardesty, DVM 419-925-4212
Business Retention & Dev.:	Jill Nagel 419-925-9101
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Recreation:	Matt Homan 419-953-2063

2023 MCDO Membership Form

Business Membership \$60.00 _____	Family Membership \$15.00 _____	
Name: _____	Date: _____	
Address: _____		
City: _____	State: _____	Zip: _____
Phone: _____	Email: _____ (PLEASE send updated addresses!)	

***Please make checks payable to: Marion Community Development Organization
Please send remittance to: MCDO - PO Box 65 - Maria Stein, OH 45860-0065
Pay by Venmo - Username: @MarionCommunity-DevelopmentOrg
(Please include "MCDO Membership" in Description)***



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