



President, Jim Keller called the August meeting of The Marion Community Development Organization to order by reciting The Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held on August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. at the Marion Township Building. Meeting minutes which include updates not covered at the meeting were approved as discussed.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was given by Shannon Everman. Bob Dippold moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Nick Moeller seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

<i>Asset Allocations</i>		<b>CURRENT TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$157,255</b>	<i>Funding Allocations</i>	
Checking	\$128,804			Recreation Fund	\$12,741
CD's	\$15,797			General Fund – MCDO	\$31,798
Savings	\$12,654			Marion Soccer	\$17,279
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$157,255</b>			Girls' Softball	\$6,841
				ML FFA	\$16,522
				ML FFA Pork Producers	\$18,894
				Boys Baseball	\$11,140
				Ag Ed Boosters	\$28,835
				Ag Ed Scholarship	\$3,500
				ML Bowling	\$354
				Marion Industrial Park Association	\$3,187
				Woods Chapel Maintenance Fund	\$4,259
				Multi-Use Path	\$1,146
				Fundamental League	\$759
				<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$157,255</b>

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### RECREATION COMMITTEE

*Committee Chairperson – Mitch Thobe*

The weekly winners of the 301 Club are as follows:

July 16:	Frank & Kelly Evers	August 6:	Nick & Amy Pierron
July 23:	Luke & Roni Bertke	August 13:	Rudy & Gail Wendel
July 30:	Mike & Missy Moeller		

### 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](mailto:mariontwppk@gmail.com). The Monthly Park Raffle Winners for June are:

- \$50 – Paul & Rosalee Holdheide
- \$30 – Joe & Renee Hartings
- \$25 – Dan & Chris Kramer
- \$25 – Randy & Joan Heitkamp

## **MEMBERSHIP AND PROMOTION COMMITTEE**

*Committee Chairperson – Bob Dippold*

Thank you to all those who you have supported the MCDO in the 2018 membership drive! 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](mailto:admin@marioncommunities.com) if you have any questions about the status of your membership.

## **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 four additional lots in Marion Acres for sale. Please contact Dan Heitkamp at 419-925-4307 for more information.

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

## **AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT**

*Committee Chairperson – Mark Hardesty*

The Marion Local FFA has been actively involved at the Mercer County Fair August 10<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The Marion Local FFA and the St. Henry FFA have been running the Pork Producers stand along with all of the hard work involved with their projects and animals. Thank you to all for the support during the 2018 Mercer County Fair!

The next Ag Ed Boosters meeting will be held on Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 8:00pm in the Marion Local Ag Ed classroom. All are invited to attend!

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Nick Moeller provided an update on the Marion Community Multi-Use Path Project. The Committee will be launching a Facebook page very soon with more information and updates for the community. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. at the Moeller Brew Barn.

The MCDO continues to work through the challenges for the SR 716 (East side) sidewalk. The challenges facing the project continue to be maneuvering the infrastructure, where to properly end the sidewalk and ultimately install a crosswalk(s) to the West side of 716, and the financial impact to residents.

Nick Moeller recently contacted Vectren Energy for the possibility and feasibility of natural gas in the Maria Stein area. Nick has received feedback on the information that would be needed to conduct a feasibility study. Nick has updated an information request form and will work with Shannon Everman to send the information requests to the local businesses.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

The Industrial Park welcomes MS Welding to Flyer Drive with the opening of their new building! The Moeller Brew Barn will be expanding their operations to Troy, Ohio in the Spring of 2019. Bergman Tool & Machine recently sold their business to Dynamic Weld in Osgood, Ohio. The MCDO appreciates the hard work that Ted Bergman has put into his business and the community. Best wishes to Ted and his family in their new chapter!

The MCDO Board members have decided to continue the new meeting time of 8:00 a.m., the second Tuesday of each month based on attendance and schedules of members. Community members are welcome at the meeting!

**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 news to report.

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

**Marion Local Schools** – The Marion Local Schools will kick-off the 2018-2019 School Year on Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m., with a motion from Don Rosenbeck and seconded by Nick Moeller. The next scheduled MCDO meeting is set for Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. in the Marion Township Building.

Submitted by: Jim Keller, President

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