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The November 18, 2021 meeting will be held at Eaton Township at FOP Lodge 54, 36854 Royalton Rd {Rt 82}

Minutes of the October 21, 2021 meeting at Columbia Township

President, Amy Richards, called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Approve Minutes: President Amy Richards asked for a motion to approve the September 16, 2021 minutes. A motion was made by Rita Canfield and seconded by Christie Homer-Miller; motion carried.

Treasures Report: At the September meeting we had a checking balance of \$28,532.77. We had zero dollars come in. We had zero expenses. This leaves us with a checking balance of \$28,532.77

President Amy Richards asked for a motion to approve the treasures report. A motion to approve was made by Orrin Leimbach and seconded by Ken Ziegler, motion carried.

Program: Dave Covell retiring director of the Lorain County Health Department walked us through the timeline of the Covid-19 pandemic in Lorain County and introduced his successor, Mark Adams. Dave and Mark reported all Lorain County citizens that were eligible to be vaccinated were by the end of May. At this time there are 80,000 unvaccinated people in Lorain County. Dave and Mark urged everyone to get their flu shot in November. Happy retirement Dave, we will miss you.

Officers Report:

President Amy Richards: No report

Vice President Jared Smith: No report

Secretary Mark Cunningham: Neil, Orrin and I are working on the details for the Lorain County Community College scholarship sponsored by the LCTA. The American Red Cross is looking for disaster volunteers see me for more details. LCTA officer election will be at the November meeting. Neil, Ken and Carl are the election committee contact them if you are interested in becoming an officer.

Executive Committeeman Dick Heidecker: No report

Old business: None

New business: None

Reports from LCTA Committees and Township Representatives:

Fair Committee: Carl Wesemeyer: Carl reported that the flags that were to be given to the winners at the fair booth are missing. After a short discussion Rita Canfield will secure the 4 flags need to distribute to the winners. Thank you, Rita.

NOACA Report: Dick Heidecker: End of the year meeting in December.

NEOTA Report: Dick Heidecker: No report

OPWC: Carl Wesemeyer: No report

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Solid Waste: Dave reported that the Policy Committee meet Tuesday of this week and started the planning process. The next Policy Committee meeting will be December 7. The consortium met this week and decided to keep Megan Moore as their legal representative going forward. The next consortium meeting will be January 19, 2022 at Grafton Township.

SWAC: Don Romancak reported that SWAC meet today and discussed the slight scoring changes judging grant proposals. Grant applications will be due March 31, 2022. Don talked about the November LCTA meeting which will include the Farm Bureau and the Ohio EPA regarding the Total Maximum Daily Load on the Black River Watershed. Brittany Dalton is the new employee of Lorain County Soil and Water please let your zoning inspectors know that Britany is their new contact at soil and water. Don talked about the Batten house lateral 2 project that commissioner approved to this week to go forward at no assessments to the property owners. This is a \$350,000 project some American Rescue funds will be used for this project

Farm Bureau: No Report

State elected official's: No report

Commissioners: David Moore: Dave talked about American Rescue Plan [ARP] projects and asking communities and the county to partner together with plans to spend the ARP funds. He talked about Broadband and sewer projects. Other topics Dave talked about was the possibility of a 7-district commission instead of 3 commissioners being on the ballot next November. Also, the Tom Williams, former county administrator, lawsuit was mentioned. The possibility of building a new jail. He talked about the Crises Center. Dave is proud of the work being done by the county directors and their departments. He is embarrassed about the issues with the county commissioners.

Board of Health: See Program

Community Development: Don Romancak: Community grants are available for home repairs. Also, working on homeless shelter additions with the county commissioners and Neighborhood Alliance.

Sheriff Department: Captain Ashdown was available after the meeting for questions or concerns of members.

LCCA: Dick Heidecker: Dick gave a recap of the recent LCCA meeting at Lorain County Community College.

County Auditor: No report, The County Auditor will present at the LCTA January meeting.

County Recorder: No report

Emergency Management: Jessica had no report

ARP: Neil started a discussion, with the idea to have a LCTA meeting dedicated to the American Rescue Plan. All townships, the county, county prosecutor and the OTA should participate in the meeting. This will happen at our February meeting in Grafton Township.

Amy Richards asked for a motion to adjourn at 8:35 pm. Motion made by Andy Weigal and seconded by Carl Wesemeyer; motion carried.

The next meeting will be in New Russia Township Christmas banquet.