

## The Lorain County Association

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The May 18, 2023 LCTA meeting will be at Brighton Methodist Church 21938 State Rt. 511 Wellington, Ohio 44090

### Minutes of the April 20, 2023 meeting at Lorain County Admin Center

**President**, Jared Smith, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

**Approve Minutes:** President Jared Smith asked for a motion to approve the March 16, 2023 minutes. A motion was made by Butch Holmes and seconded by Ken Ziegler; motion carried.

**Treasures Report:** February 2023 ended with a checking balance of: \$28,256.06. Income, none Expenses LCCC Scholarship Fund #1750 \$ 750: LC Fair # 1751 \$ 225: Mark Cunningham 2Q stipend #1752 \$225: Amy Richards re-issue check #1753 \$18.61: State Farm Annual Dues #1754 \$400: Total expenses \$1,618.61. Outstanding none. This leaves us with a checking balance of \$26,637.45. Submitted 4/20/23 by John Ciarrone LCTA Treasurer.

President Jared Smith asked for a motion to approve the treasures report. A motion was made by Ken Zeigler and seconded by Andy Weigel; motion carried.

**Program:** Annual Lorain County Storm Water meeting had presentations from Patti Donnellan from Lorain County Soil & Water, Lyn Ickes on the grant application for the Gerber project in Eaton Township, Greg Peltz from the Lorain County Prosecutors' Office and Don Romancak did a review storm water projects that are ongoing in Lorain County.

#### **Officers Report:**

**President, Jared Smith:** No report

**Vice President, Christie Homer-Miller:** Christie r the quotes for the cost of catering for the Lorain County Fair opening breakfast that the LCTA is sponsoring this year. Christie has a train derailment resolution that was approved by Dan Petticord that will be sent to all townships.

**Secretary, Mark Cunningham:** OTA And LCTA dues, please make sure your township has paid their dues.

**Executive Committeeman, Carl Wesemeyer:** No report

**Old business:** LCTA sponsorship of the opening day breakfast at this years' Lorain County Fair. Jared would like to form a committee to organize all the work that needs to be done to make the breakfast successful. The committee will be formed at the May LCTA meeting. Fred Pitts and Amy Richards are already working on the breakfast details. Neal Lynch volunteered Jed Lamb to be on the committee.

**New business:** Marsha Funk former fiscal officer in Brownhelm Township and former board member of OTARMA gave an update on all the controversy that is playing out with the OTA Executive Director Heidi Fought, OTA President, Tim Lynch, OTA Secretary/Treasurer Ron Miller and OTA director Dan Frederick deciding that they needed an outside law firm to investigate 1<sup>st</sup> Vice president Ed Huff better known as Bear. This also involves the OTARMA Board. A second meeting to review the preliminary report from the law firm was held and the OTA Office determined that Ed had to go. This was before the investigators had

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even interviewed Ed. The OTA members elected Ed not the people in the OTA Office. The law firm is being paid with OTA funds for their investigation of Ed. The final report said that Ed did nothing wrong and that Ed and Heidi need to seek mediation so they can work out their differences going forward.

### Reports from LCTA Committees and Township Representatives:

**Fair Committee: Carl Wesemeyer: No report**

**NOACA Report:** Mark attended the Programming Committee meeting last week

**NEOTA Report:** Dick Heidecker: No report

**OPWC:** Carl Wesemeyer: No report

**Solid Waste;** David Urig reported that the Policy Committee met last week. They are waiting to hear back from the Ohio EPA on the plan update. The district is creating an education center that will be located at the collection center building. The district is in the black for the year financially Consortium committee meet yesterday and is working on a bidding process for this fall. Next consortium meeting will be July 11, 2023

**SWAC:** See program

**Farm Bureau:** Eric Flynn: No report- Neil Lynch did nominate Eric for the Lorain County Fair breakfast committee.

**State elected official's:** No reports

**Prosecutors Office:** Dan Petticord: No report

**Board of Health:** Ann Maczuga reported the Health Department will continue with Operation & Maintenance for home sewage treatment systems information sessions with Columbia on April 26 and Wellington on May 3.

**Sheriff Department;** No report

**LCCA:** Dick Heidecker: No report

**Land Bank:** No report

**County Auditor:** No report

**County Recorder:** No Report

**Webmaster:** ~ilona talked about upgrade to the LCTA website

Jared Smith asked for a motion to adjourn at 8:45 pm. Motion made by Dick Heidecker and seconded by Butch Holmes; motion carried.

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**The June meeting will be held at Bownhelm Township**