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The September 15, 2022 LCTA meeting will be held at Penfield Township

Minutes of the July 21, 2022 meeting at Olmsted Township

Vice President, Jared Smith, called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm.

Approve Minutes: **Vice President** Jared Smith asked for a motion to approve the June 16, 2022 minutes. A motion was made by Carl Wesemeyer and seconded by Rita Canfield; motion carried.

Treasures Report: At the June meeting we had a checking balance of \$35,240.36. We had \$1,050 come in for advertisements & \$20 for dues. Our expenses were \$225 for second quarter secretary pay & \$16.18 reimbursement to the secretary for paper. This leaves us with a checking balance of \$36, 069.18.

Vice President Jared Smith asked for a motion to approve the treasures report. A motion was made by Rita Canfield and seconded by Carl Wesemeyer: motion carried.

Program:

Officers Report:

President Amy Richards: No report

Vice President Jared Smith: Jared and Christie shared information from the OTA county officers meeting they recently attended in Columbus. All information on legislative updates will be emailed out to all members. Jared talked about House Bill 140 dealing with Levy Transparency on the Ballot.

Secretary Mark Cunningham: Any member not receiving emails I send out please contact me and I will resolve the problem. Marissa Meyers is no longer employed by the OTA. A search for her replacement has on-going.

Executive Committeeman Dick Heidecker: LCTA Directories are being printed as we speak will be ready for distribution at the fair. Dick suggested that multiple members have the directory information.

Old business: None

New business: None

Reports from LCTA Committees and Township Representatives:

Fair Committee: Carl Wesemeyer: There are still open slots to sign up for the fair booth and wear your LCTA shirt while working the fair booth. The drawing for the gas cards and the flags will happen at the September 15, 2022 LCTA meeting. The gas card raffle and flag raffle will be open to all fair attendees. Orrin Leimbach

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offered to help create a banner with the names of people who donated gas cards to be displayed at the fair booth. Here is a list of contributors for \$50 gas cards; Tom Williams 4; David Moore 4; Dick Stein 4; Nathan Manning 4; Matt Lundy 4; Jeff Riddell 4; Craig Snodgrass 4; Lyn Ickes1; Fred Pitts 1; Carl Wesemeyer1; Mark Cunningham 1; Patti Brubaker 1.

NOACA Report: Dick Heidecker: NOACA is looking at putting an interchange at I-71 and Boston Rd. All surrounding communities are in favor of the interchange except for Brunswick. The winding of I-90 in Lorain County is a NOACA project.

NEOTA Report: Dick Heidecker: No report

OPWC: Carl Wesemeyer: No report

Solid Waste: Dave Urig: The committee will meet in August and September to review the plan update. The plan is to get a draft to the EPA by October. The recycling rate is below 25% and going down. The district loss about \$500,000 in revenue due to Republic losing the Parma contract and reduced tipping fees. The fuel surcharge is going to be \$5.76.

SWAC: Don Romancak stated that SWAC meet tonight. The county commissioners are looking for SWAC projects to fund until the end of August then review and rank projects. Picture taken of the ditches by the airol drones were shown at the SWAC meeting. There is a new storm water web page on the county web site. Log jam removals have a budget of \$35,000. District projects continue to move forward. There are currently 55 storm water projects on going.

Farm Bureau: No report

State elected official's:

Nathan Manning & Gayle Manning: Please remember to vote in the August 2 primary, early voting is now open. Both Nathan and Gayle voted against H.B. 140 the Ballot Transparency Bill, both feel it may cause more confusion to voters in the future. Gayle is also against H.B. 563 Short Term Rentals. This Bill has serious implication for township zoning.

Commissioners: David Moore & Matt Lundy: The County is still looking for projects to partnership with the townships. Please have all proposed projects to the county by the end of August. Only 6 townships have submitted projects so far.

Prosecutors Office: No Report

Board of Health: No report

Community Development: Rob Duncan: There are 500 applications for the small business and non-profits ARPA grants. The county planning department is willing to help townships update their zoning resolutions. Working with NOACA Lorain county has expediated Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies {CEDs}to be eligible for additional federal funding grants. Community development is hiring an outside company to help search for grants.

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Sheriff Department: Deputy Osborn had no report.

LCCA: Dick Heidecker:

Emergency Management: Jessica Fetter talked about the Emergency Assessment having gone through its first review by the state of Ohio. Working on getting out the word on the 2024 eclipse.

Land Bank: Jim Miller: No report

County Auditor: Craig Snodgrass reported that used computer equipment from the auditor's office will be available soon, contact the office if your township is interested in acquiring computer equipment. The State of Ohio Tax Commissioner has determined the value of the Nexus pipeline is about 40% lower than original stated by Nexus. Craig has asked for detailed information from the Tax Commissioner and has not been given access to that information also has not gotten any help from the Attorney General regarding this case. Craig is considering asking the county to hire outside legal counsel and an independent appraiser to determine the tax value of the pipeline. Craig has 60 days from July 5 to appeal the Tax Commissioners ruling.

County Recorder: No report

OTA Neil Lynch reminded all members of the emails the OTA sent out regarding participation in the One Ohio Distributor Settlement. There are two participation agreements that each township must approve, this must be done by resolutions. Lorain county is part of region 19. This settlement is spread over 18 years.

Jared Smith asked for a motion to adjourn at 8:50 pm. Motion made by Carl Wesemeyer and seconded by Steve Urbansky; Motion carried.

No meeting in August. The September 15, 2022 meeting will be at Penfield Township.