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The March 17, 2022 LCTA meeting will be held at Henrietta Township 12050 Vermillion Rd, Amherst, Ohio

Minutes of the February 17, 2022 meeting at Grafton Township

President, Amy Richards, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Approve Minutes: President Amy Richards asked for a motion to approve the January 20, 2022 minutes. A motion was made by Rita Canfield and seconded by Butch Holmes; motion carried.

Treasures Report: At the January meeting we had a checking balance of \$26,435.30. We did not receive any income since last meeting. We did not have any expenses since the last meeting. This leaves us with a checking balance of \$26,435.30.

President Amy Richards asked for a motion to approve the treasures report. A motion was made by Ken Ziegler and seconded Fred Pitts; motion carried.

Program: Marissa Meyers from the OTA gave a power point presentation and answered question regarding the American Rescue Fund as it pertains to Townships in Ohio. A copy of the power point was emailed to all township elected officials. Dan Petticord, Assistant Lorain County Prosecutor, also answered questions and gave his legal opinion on what townships could spend the money on. He also stated that if any township official had question contact his office.

Officers Report:

President Amy Richards; No report

Vice President Jared Smith; No report

Secretary Mark Cunningham: The group asked for an update on Dick Heidecker.

Executive Committeeman Dick Heidecker; No report

Old business: None

New business: None

Reports from LCTA Committees and Township Representatives:

Fair Committee: Carl Wesemeyer: Carl has received the fair booth invoice.

NOACA Report: Dick Heidecker:

NEOTA Report: Dick Heidecker: None

OPWC: Carl Wesemeyer: No report

Solid Waste: Dave Urig: The policy committee meet in February and will meet again on April 12. The Collection Center had its second busiest year in 2021. The District is still working on a transfer station.

SWAC: Mark McConnell; The February meeting was cancelled.

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Farm Bureau: Eric Flynn: No report

Emergency Management: EMA is finalizing the Lorain County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Final thoughts and concerns will be addressed in a series of forthcoming meetings to be held in the beginning of April. Email invitations will be going out in the near future. The National Weather Service's SKYWARN Storm Program is tentatively scheduled for April 11, 2022 for Lorain County residents. As of now, we will be hosting a live event; however, it may be switched to a webinar if circumstance require it. Location details will be announced soon.

State elected official's:

Nathan Manning: Nathan talked about a bail reform bill that is currently in the Ohio Senate. He is also working on SB 288 which is an 1800-page criminal justice reform bill.

Dick Stein; Please submit any Capital Budget projects to his office by the first week in March. HB 478 has to do with an interface with Marc's radios for first responders. This will allow Marc's radios and non-Marc's radios to communicate with each other. Another bill the Nuclear Waste Bill it is to research and develop uses for this energy instead of burying it in the ground. HB 218 vaccine mandate exceptions it has passed out of the House and is sitting with the Senate. House is working on the Green Circle Growers and Nexus issues. There was a conversation regarding the district maps for the House districts.

Auditor:

County Commissioner: Dave Moore, Commissioners are currently working on broadband issues in the county. Commissioners are also looking to the townships for projects to partner with, for American Rescue Funds [ARF]. Commissioners are going to do a study on the jail issue. The commissioners have formed a Convention Board to research the viability of building a convention center and pros and cons of putting an increase in the county bed tax on the November ballot. Rita Canfield suggested that the commissioners form a committee, consisting of mental health, police, EMS, hospital and community residents to determine best way to spend the Opioid settlement moneys. Dan Petticord said that Opioid settlement is very complicated and will take time to work through. He said the money will trickle in over 19 years.

Recorder: No Report

Sheriff Department: No report

Lorain County Metro Parks: No report

Health District: Ann Maczuga introduced new sanitation inspector Ali Corrigan-Schneider she will be inspecting in the southern townships of the county.

LCCA: Dick Heidecker: No report

Land Bank: No report

Amy Richards asked for a motion to adjourn at 8:45 pm. Motion made by Jared Smith and seconded by Christie Homer-Miller; motion carried.

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