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THERE WILL BE NO APRIL MEETING

Minutes of the March 17, 2022 meeting at Henrietta Township

President, Amy Richards, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Approve Minutes: President Amy Richards asked for a motion to approve the February 17, 2022 minutes. A motion was made by Fred Pitts and seconded by Jared Smith; motion carried.

Treasures Report: At the February meeting we had a checking balance of \$26,435.30. We did not receive any income since the last meeting. We had 2 expenses since our last meeting. We paid \$310 to the Lorain County Fair for our fair booth. We paid \$225 to Mark Cunningham for the first quarter of 2022. That leaves us with a balance of \$25,900.35.

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

Program: Mark Adams, Lorain County Health Commissioner presented a power point explaining hoarding issues. Don Schiffbauer, Chief Executive Officer, The Nord Center explained how the Nord Center assists individuals and families with hoarding issues. Bob Richards, Fire Chief Grafton Township shared his experiences he has encountered dealing with hoarding issues and frustrations while providing EMS services.

Officers Report:

President Amy Richards: Amy led a discussion about the April LCTA meeting, it was scheduled to be the spring banquet, it was decided to not have a LCTA meeting in April. There are four townships and one village that have not submitted their recycling tonnage to Solid Waste; Amherst, Brownhelm, LaGrange, Pittsfield Wellington and Rochester Village.

Vice President Jared Smith: There is a webinar on March 29 on Human Trafficking presented by Ohio Department Public Safety.

Secretary Mark Cunningham: It is OTA dues time for 2022-2023. There are now three memberships classifications: Active Member [trustees & fiscal officer]; Affiliate Member [township employees]; Associate Member.

Executive Committeeman Dick Heidecker; No Report

Old business: None

New business: None

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Reports from LCTA Committees and Township Representatives:

Fair Committee: Carl Wesemeyer: The fair booth fee has been paid.

NOACA Report: Mark Cunningham: Lorain County FPA meeting April 21, 2022.

NEOTA Report: Dick Heidecker: No report

OPWC: Carl Wesemeyer: No report

Solid Waste: Dave Urig: There will be an April Policy Committee meeting. Dave reminded townships to get their 2022 recycling figures in to the county.

SWAC: Mark McConnell: Grant deadline is March 31, 2022.

Farm Bureau: Eric Flynn reminded everyone to watch for farm vehicles on the road this spring.

Commissioners: Dave Moore talked about Issue 7; county bed tax and Convention Center. The committee studying this issue is going to make a recommendation to the Commissioners by March 30. A decision will be made to put it on the ballot in May. Dave talked about Veteran Services need for having county issued credit cards to help veterans in need of emergency housing. HB 287 if it passes will address this issue going forward. Golden Acres is going to be torn down. The Board of Revision is looking for part time employees.

Prosecutors Office: No report

Community Development: Rob Duncan said Issue 7 is a county bed tax. There are funds available for Storm Water mini grants and planning grants.

Sheriff Department: Sheriff Stammitti talked about the need for a new county jail. There is a study being done now to recommend building a new jail or refurbishing the existing jail. Sheriff Stammitti is president of the Buckeye Sheriffs' Association. Sheriff Stammitti is not opposed to SB215 which is the constitutional conceal carry bill that was recently passed and signed by the Governor. The Sheriffs' Department is down 8 deputies presently.

LCCA: Dick Heidecker: Transportation Day is April 8, 2022.

Emergency Management: The Disaster Mitigation Plan is nearing completion. There will be a test of the tornado warning system on March 23, 2022 at 9:30 am. The Sky Warning class will be April 11, 2022 at UH Elyria, more information to follow.

County Auditor: Board of Revision valuation complaints are due by March 31, 2022. The Nexus BTA case has been pulled back from its scheduled February hearing date as the Tax Commissioner and Nexus are having

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further discussions. The County Auditor's Association and myself are having continued discussions with interested parties regarding the Green Circle Growers decision.

Amy Richards asked for a motion to adjourn at 8:45 p. Motion made by Fred Pitts and seconded by Rick Conrad; motion carried.

The next meeting will be hosted by Huntington Township May 19, 2022 at 7:30 pm.