

# The Lorain County Township Association

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The Oct. 20, 2016 LCTA meeting will be hosted by LaGrange Twp. It will be held at the LaGrange Lions Club, 250 Glendale St. LaGrange. It is west of Rt.301 & south of Rt.303. BBQ pulled pork sandwiches, cole slaw, beans, pies & cupcakes will be available at 6:30 pm-meeting at 7:30 pm.

PROGRAM: Paul Baumgartner, Lorain County Free Clinic Director, will speak on the services available from the Clinic.

Minutes of meeting Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> at Huntington Twp.

President, Amy Szmania, called the meeting to order at 7:30. A moment of silence was observed on behalf of Dan Miller, Grafton Twp. Trustee & Vice President of the LCTA, who passed away on Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>.

Rob Scheithauer made a motion to approve the July minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dick Heidecker, motion carried

Treasurer, Amy Richards, gave a report of income-\$60 for OTA memberships, Expenses- \$10 to OTA for membership, \$62.51 for postage, \$6647 to Mariotti Printing, for the new Directories. balance in checking \$25,154.62, CD balance- \$5691.65. Fran Walker made a motion to approve the report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Orrin Leimbach-motion carried

Officer Reports:

President-Amy Szmania announced that there will be a Memorial Service for Dan Miller at the Grafton Twp. Hall on Friday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. Rob Scheithauer made a motion to donate \$300 to the Stein Hospice Center in memory of Dan Miller, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marsha Funk-motion carried. Rob also made a motion to change the previous motion, from many years ago, of donating \$100 upon the death of an Active Member to \$300-2<sup>nd</sup> by Carl Wesemeyer-motion carried.

Other Reports:

Fair-Mark McConnell stated that we had an excellent display thanks to Dan Miller's ideas. We could have used a few more workers, but he & Jean covered it. There were a lot of requests filled out for the reflective numbers for mailboxes, we met a lot of interesting people & tried to answer their questions. We also gave out a lot of candy! Jean Haight asked for volunteers to take some of the reflective number requests to their Fire Depts. so that she didn't have to mail them all.

We then had the drawing for the prizes: American Flag-Bea Husk-Grafton; Rita Rowe-Avon Lake; Karen Sams-Norwalk. State of Ohio Flags-Bill Hamby-Elyria; JoAnn Cowie-New London. Cavs Christmas Ornaments-K. Meadows-Elyria; Robby Duval-Wellington; Mary Meng-Grafton; & Janet Buchanan-Vermilion.

NOACA-Dick Heidecker stated that he urges you to pay your dues. You do get benefits.. Dues were charged according to population. There are 2 Commissioners that are on the NOACA Board, Ted Kalo & Matt Lundy. There were many questions on why the dues went up so much & how they set the rates. Several Townships have chosen to not pay them. Dick also announced that the next NEOTA meeting will be in Auburn Twp. at 7:30, it is in Geauga Cty.

Solid Waste-David Urig stated that they collected 1400 tires at the Ag. Tire collection. Lorain will be going to the cart system. An Organic Waste site may be coming to Lorain. The County is taking over the Tire drop off center in Grafton Twp. There will be set hours & it will be fenced in. We will let you know the hours as soon as that is decided. Dave was asked about the Shred Truck as far as lending it to the Townships. He will ask that question & let us know.

SWAC-Mark McConnell- the meeting was cancelled -not enough on the agenda. He did ask about the petition process & it seems that it may go that way but it has not been brought up to the entire advisory board. It is time to think about your projects that need to be turned in.

State Senator Gayle Manning stated that State report cards have come out & some schools didn't do well. It is due to the testing changing so much in the last 3 years. Hopefully, that will change for the better.

State Representative Nathan Manning stated that not much has been going on. He is working on the drug epidemic in our State & County. They are having a Town Hall meeting on it at LCCC on Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>.

Prosecutor's Office-Jerry Innes said that they have been dealing with a lot of lawsuits pertaining to sign regulations in yards & on barns. Also problems pertaining to Gun Clubs. They are looking into zoning regulations in the Townships about all of this.

Elaine Georgas from the Alcohol & Drug Addiction Services Board of Lorain County, talked about the drug epidemic in the County & why we need to pass Issue 35 to get help & rehab centers in Lorain Cty.

Program-Commissioners Debate-Bob White read a memo from Lori Kokoski as to why she could not be there. He introduced Connie Carr, who is running for Commissioner. She talked about her reasons for running & her qualifications. Her goal is to make Lorain County the best place to live, work & raise a family. She was asked questions about Storm Water Projects Approval Process, & fees charged. The Economy etc. There were some questions from the audience.

Amy Richards made a motion to adjourn at 9pm-2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark McConnell, motion carried.

November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting will be hosted by Olmsted. Twp

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We have a new Camden Twp. Fiscal Officer-Connie Karney, 14614 Gore Orphanage Rd. Wakeman, 44889-phone-440-775-2015 - [email-camdentwp@hotmail.com](mailto:email-camdentwp@hotmail.com)

We have a new Grafton Twp. Trustee-John Kasinec, 36676 Estee Lane, Grafton-44044 email-johnkasinec@yahoo.com

