

February 20, 2018

The Board of Trustees of Marion Township, Marion County, Ohio met in its regular meeting. Ms. McCleary called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. with the following members and visitors present:

Ms. Karen McCleary	Present	Mr. Lynn Thomas	Present
Mr. Larry Ballinger	Present	Ms. Sheila Perin	Present

EMPLOYEES: Chief Meddles, Larry Brown

GUESTS: Mike Yost, Ken Stiverson, Ken Lengieza, Ray Grogan, Gus Comstock, and Scott North

Ms. McCleary opened the meeting to discuss the tax abatement request from CenMac. Lengthy discussion followed and questions about the resolution, annexation, etc. The following resolution was read:

Resolution No. 2018-0220

A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT THE MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH **CENMAC METAL WORKS, INC.** FOR THE PURPOSE OF ABATEMENT OF A PORTION OF REAL PROPERTY TAX AT A MANUFACTURING FACILITY AT 1339 EAST FAIRGROUND ROAD, MARION, OHIO, TO ENCOURAGE CENMAC TO EXPAND AT THAT SITE.

Ms. McCleary made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2018-0220 as follows:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (TRUSTEES) of Marion Township, Marion County, Ohio finds that CENMAC (COMPANY) is qualified by financial responsibility and business experience to create and preserve employment opportunities in the Marion-Clarion-Tully-Green Camp Enterprise Zone and to improve the economic climate of the County of Marion; and

WHEREAS, the COMPANY has agreed, contingent on tax abatement to expand their facility on East Fairground Road as a machine shop,

WHEREAS, the number of full-time jobs to be added from this new building is estimated at least 55 with an annual payroll estimated to be at least \$2,860,000 from these positions; and

WHEREAS, River Valley Local Schools approved of a 12 year, 75% abatement on real estate at its February 8, 2018 meeting ; then

BE IT RESOLVED by Marion Township, Marion County, and Ohio:

Section 1. That the Trustees hereby recommend that the Marion County Board of Commissioners enter into an agreement with the COMPANY pursuant to Section 5709.63 (A) ORC, for the abatement of real property tax at a rate of 75% for a period of twelve (12) years. Said exemption shall be effective the first year for which the real property would first be taxable were that property not exempted from taxation. The abatement shall be on the amount invested in the three (3) year project term starting with the date of the agreement with the County, but not more than a total of twelve (12) years.

Section 2. That Trustees further recommend that the agreement remain in effect only for as long as the COMPANY operates a plant with a workforce of at least 54 employees initially and 109 employees after December 31, 2021. In any three-year (3) period during which this agreement is in effect after January 1, 2022, if the actual number of employee positions created or retained by the COMPANY is not equal to or greater than seventy-five per cent of the number of employee positions estimated to be created or retained under this agreement during that three-year (3) period, the COMPANY shall repay the amount of taxes on property that would have been payable had the property not been exempted from taxation under this agreement during that three-year period. In addition, Marion County may terminate or modify the exemptions from taxation granted under this agreement. Further, if the facility ceases operations during the term of the agreement, the COMPANY, or its successors, shall not only forfeit additional tax abatement, but shall repay to Marion County all taxes previously forgiven in the previous five (5) years under the agreement.

Section 3. Irrespective of other provisions, if the **COMPANY**, during the term of this abatement, initiates an annexation of this site at 1339 East Fairground Rd. into a municipality and out of the unincorporated township, the company shall repay to Marion Township taxes previously forgiven under this abatement, but limited to those that would have gone to Marion Township and Marion Township tax levies, for the previous five (5) years, unless the terms of the annexation agreement with the city allow Marion Township to continue to receive these tax funds.

Section 4. That the Marion Township FISCAL OFFICER is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Marion County Commissioners.

Mr. Ballinger seconded the motion. Rollcall vote was as follows: Ms. McCleary, yes; Mr. Ballinger, yes; Mr. Thomas, yes. The motion carried and the Resolution No. 2018-0220 was declared adopted.

Adopted the 20th day of February 2018.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Ballinger to adjourn. Mr. Thomas seconded the motion and roll call was as follows: Ms. McCleary, yes, Mr. Ballinger, yes; Mr. Thomas, yes. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:31 pm.

_____	Ms. Karen McCleary, Chairman
_____	Ms. Larry Ballinger, Vice-Chairman
_____	Mr. Lynn Thomas, Trustee
_____	Ms. Sheila Perin, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Marion Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and /or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in the meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.