VILLAGE OF MARBLEHEAD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD NOVEMBER 9, 2016
Mayor Bird called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE
Answering roll call were Angie Kukay, Duane Myers, Dave Redett, Ron Royhab and John Starcher.

Also present were Fiscal Officer Rhonda Sowers, Solicitor James Barney, Street Commissioner Bryan Lucas, Police Officer Lisa Johnson and Zoning Administrator Bob Hruska.

Visitors in attendance were Sharon Mefferd and Robert Boytim.

VOTE TO EXCUSE COUNCILMAN DEAN DORKO
Mr. Starcher moved to excuse Dean Dorko from the November 9, 2016 regular council meeting. Second by Mr. Redett. Vote: Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Royhab-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

MINUTES
Minutes of the October 26, 2016 regular meeting were approved as submitted.

VOTE TO EXCUSE COUNCILWOMAN ANGIE KUKAY FROM THE DECEMBER 14, 2016 MEETING
Mr. Redett moved to excuse Angie Kukay from the December 14, 2016 regular council meeting. Second by Mr. Myers. Vote: Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Royhab-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

VISITOR COMMENTS
Sharon Mefferd, daughter of long-time village fire chief, Bob Anderson, was present to ask that council consider placing memorial flags on the graves of deceased firefighters. She showed an example of a universal firefighter memorial flag that is used at cemeteries in Port Clinton and also showed a large flag which had been customized for the Marblehead Volunteer Fire Department. Mrs. Mefferd said she just learned that the Danbury Township Fire Department may be planning to purchase flags and stands. Council will wait to see what action the township fire department may take regarding memorial flags. Mrs. Mefferd donated the large flag, which was presented to her during her father’s funeral, to the village for display.

Bob Boytim showed council examples of veterans memorial banners which he recently saw displayed in a town he visited while on vacation. He said these banners are mounted from streetlight poles and were purchased by the family members in honor of their veteran. Mr. Royhab said he is aware of a town in Pennsylvania that has undertaken a similar project and it is very impressive to see all of the veterans’ banners on display. Mr. Boytim added that another town he visited displayed banners of the nationalities represented by immigrants who settled the town and said both of these are ideas council might want to consider.

LEGISLATION
President Pro Tem John Starcher read the legislation by title only.
A. RESOLUTION NO. 7, 2016 – A Resolution to Adopt the Solid Waste Management Plan for the Ottawa-Sandusky-Seneca Joint Solid Waste Management District. This was the third and final reading.

Mr. Myers moved to adopt Resolution No. 7, 2016. Second by Mr. Royhab. Vote: Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Royhab-yes; Mr. Starcher-yes. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS
Solicitor
Mr. Barney addressed council and BPA President Boytim on his role with regard to petitions for a Johnson’s Island waterline extension. He feels it is a conflict for him to draft the petition since he will be the one to advise council on the legality of the document when and if enough signatures are obtained to file it with the village. Mr. Barney asked Mr. Boytim to notify Johnson’s Island property owner John Good that he will need to obtain his own legal counsel for guidance on the petition process.

Finance and Records Committee
Mr. Starcher had nothing to report.

Streets/Sidewalks/Sewer Committee
No report.

Beautification/Parks/Cemetery Committee
Mr. Royhab advised that he has consulted with Mrs. Sowers regarding funds available for Radar Park and will now contact Kent Bryan to arrange for an engineering plan to bring the park into compliance with the terms of the deed restrictions.

Utilities/Ferries/Waterfront
Mr. Myers had nothing to report.

Annexation/Subdivision/Planning Commission Committee
Mr. Redett reported that the Planning Commission met November 2 and heard one setback variance and a couple of informal hearings. He also noted that this was the first meeting for newly appointed member Tim Feller.

Safety/Insurance Committee
Mrs. Kukay had nothing to report for her committee. She extended thanks to the Police Department for the excellent job they did with traffic control in the Jamestown area during Trick or Treat hours.

Fiscal Officer
Mrs. Sowers reported that the Ottawa County Hazard Mitigation Plan has been compiled and comments are now being received. The plan which will ultimately need approval from all of the participating political subdivisions in the county.

Correspondence was received from Ottawa County Improvement Corporation Director Jamie Beier Grant as well as State Senator Randy Gardner expressing concern about SB 235 which
proposes to freeze for up to 10 years the value of property on which industrial or commercial
development is planned until a certificate of occupancy is issued for new commercial development. If
passed this legislation could adversely impact property tax revenues.

Correspondence was received from NW Ohio APWA (American Public Works Association) about a
workshop on starting and maintaining pollinator habitats. While the workshop is designed to create
pollinator habitats along road rights-of-way it could also be adapted for parks. Mr. Lucas will plan to
attend.

Council members initialed receipt of the October financial reports which were distributed by the
Fiscal Officer prior to the meeting.

**Street Commissioner**
Mr. Lucas said leaf collection is going well and the restroom at James Park has been winterized.

**Police Department**
Officer Lisa Johnson had nothing to report.

**Zoning Administrator**
Mr. Hruska said he recently attended the annual zoning training sponsored by the American
Planning Association during which he heard a speaker explain that cell tower providers are
working to be declared public utilities so they will not have to pay rent for tower sites. The
public utility designation also grants authority to erect poles in the road right-of-way unless a
political subdivision has adopted legislation governing structures within the right-of-way. Mr.
Hruska asked the speaker to send additional information regarding this issue.

**BPA**
Mr. Boytim reported briefly on the November 8 BPA meeting. He stated that three tap permits
were approved for new construction in the village.

**OLD BUSINESS**
A. **Basketball Court Updates** – Mr. Royhab reported that, as outlined at the last meeting,
7L has been paid all but $5,000.00 for the work done at the basketball court in James
Park. The $5,000.00 is being held pending correction next spring of noted deficiencies.

B. **Volleyball Court Update** – Regarding the volleyball court, Mr. Lucas said he is seeking
two additional quotes. Mr. Myers suggested that personnel from the Ohio Air National
Guard’s 200th RED HORSE squadron based at Camp Perry may be available to do site
preparation for the court. The RED HORSE is a civil engineering unit based at Camp
Perry and has done community oriented projects in the county.

**NEW BUSINESS**
A. **Christmas Tree Lighting at James Park Friday, November 25 at 7:00 p.m.** – The
Police Association will sponsor the annual Christmas Tree lighting in James Park on
Friday, November 25 at 7:00 p.m.

**AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS**
Motion to authorize payment of bills in the amount of $58,396.20 including October payroll was made by Mrs. Kukay and seconded by Mr. Royhab. Vote: Mr. Dorko-yes; Mrs. Kukay-yes; Mr. Myers-yes; Mr. Redett-yes; Mr. Royhab-yes. Motion carried. Mr. Starcher abstained.

ADJOURNMENT
Motion to adjourn made by Mrs. Kukay and seconded by Mr. Starcher. Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote at 6:46 p.m.

APPROVED:

[Signature]
Jacqueline A. Bird, Mayor

Attest:

[Signature]
Rhonda Botti Sowers, Fiscal Officer