



WMNO-CA  
TV-22 Marion  
1995 Marion-Bucyrus Rd.  
Marion, OH 43302

### **Issues/Program List – 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2012**

The start of Q3 2012 had many in the dark after severe storms ripped across the Midwest, knocking out power to millions, including most of the viewing area.

TV-22 spent as much time as possible keeping viewers updated on power restoration efforts, debris clean up and where people could go for shelter as the community tried to clean up and return to life as usual.

Marion City and Marion County Officials were getting closure to having plans to help their budgets through tax increases. Both entities would put issues on the ballot asking for an increase in tax revenue. The City would approve placing a 0.25% income tax increase on the November ballot.

The County Commissioners would place a 0.25% increase to the county sales tax on the November ballot. At one point, the county Commissioners asked the city to withdraw their income tax increase for a share of the sales tax revenues, which was declined.

Residents of Marion County also took issue with an increase to the county sales tax revenues from the state related to the newly opened casinos showed some light for county budgets.

TV-22 did devote time to this issue and the concerns residents had with the apparent downplay of the additional revenue.

TV-22 also found itself unwillingly involved in the political arena after a large group of local republicans signed an official boycott of this television station.

TV-22 did display this letter to viewers and offered any time available to those involved in the boycott to explain their reasoning, though the offer was met with opposition.

Beyond simply stating there was a boycott, TV-22 also helped viewers express their concerns about candidates isolating themselves from a segment of the voter pool by not appearing on TV-22 programming.

During this time, the push was underway by both the city and county to gain support for their respective tax increases on the November ballot. Various meetings and rallies were held and TV-22 appeared at as many as possible in an effort to keep viewers informed.

All Other public interest and public service announcement material was handled on a “per-case” basis and handled appropriately within in means of this TV station.

I attest to the accuracy of above statement regarding WMNO-CA

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