



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

Issues/Program List – 1st Quarter 2012

Viewers and leaders started the new year by looking at better ways to spend money as they all slashed budgets. In the city of Marion, most of the focus landed on economic development, specifically an organization called Marion CanDo! .

Most were upset that police officers would be laid off as crime went up, but an economic development entity whose sole job is to bring new industry into Marion was showing next to no progress, and receiving \$70,000.

This was echoed from not only citizens for Marion but also members of the city council that needed to approve spending the money.

This was covered in regular news coverage and in programs produced with city leaders as guests.

Eyes were also set on tax revenues as the local economy looked like it could be making a turn for the better.

Sales Tax revenues to the county appeared to be up by the end of the first quarter, which was good news for the sheriff's office, which may be able to call back some of the deputies laid off in previous months.

It was not a moment too soon as crime continued to be an issue with depleted law enforcement. Though murders in an area such as this are big issues, more and more, arrest reports contained more drug arrests. This in turn caused concern not just for crime itself, but for what appeared to be a growing drug problem in the area driven by out-of-town sources.

As the quarter ended, one part of the viewing area saw an issue rise between their fire chief and the fire board of 1st consolidated fire district.

The chief was suspended without pay abruptly by the board and the fire board had little explanation to the district it represents. It would be learned that the suspension may have rooted from disgruntled employees who used members of the fire board to out the chief.

TV-22 covered the story and surrounding issues extensively with special programming and news coverage as needed.

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.

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