

The Mad River Township Trustees met in regular session Monday March 19, 2012. Mr. Catanzaro called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Trustees McClure, Estep, and Catanzaro and Fiscal Officer Leonard were in attendance. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Fiscal Officer Leonard read the minutes from the March 5, 2012 regular meeting. Mr. McClure motioned to approve as read, seconded by Mrs. Estep, all trustees voting yes.

Fiscal Officer Leonard stated that on Thursday March 22, the Clark County Township Association will meet. The quarterly joint meeting with Green Township will be the 29th at 7:30. Fiscal Officer Leonard passed out the Appropriation Summary, Fund Summary, Revenue Summary, and Payment Summary to the trustees and pointed out that the first half property tax settlement was received.

Reports:

Chief Kaufman – They are looking at a new EMS program manager. There are several area depts. that utilize this software.

Chief Leist – Provided the trustees with a firehouse report for the month of February. They had 103 runs for the month. Dave provided a report showing the paid on call salaries going down as the paid on call program has expanded. Trustee Estep wanted to know if this report also showed the decline in the BWC cost. Dave stated it did not and Fiscal Officer Leonard expanded on the savings when a run is part paid and not volunteer. Dave thanked Trustee Catanzaro for providing the food for the training that Speedway put on. Mrs. Estep would like to thank Jeff Bargo with Speedway Corporation for putting on the training.

Chief Young – Hustead Fire – nothing to report. Its been very quiet.

Don O'Connor – Road and Cemetery – They have been getting really busy, they received a call from Dean Fenton wanted to get an idea of what roads will be paved this year. On March 8, he went up to Columbus for the day to get recertified for spraying. He would like to get his class 8 so he can fertilize the cemetery and firehouse. He spoke to Zack at Enon, about transferring our salt to Enon's salt bin when they get ready to refurbish that. The cemetery field has been mowed. There are two trees on Jackson that will be coming down. The trees have been killed by poison ivy so the trees need to come down. They pot holes have been popping up so they have been cold patching the holes they come across. The cemetery clean up was started today. The grave repairs will start as soon as the temperatures start cooling down so that the sod doesn't burn up.

Deputy Wagoner – its been pretty quiet since the two burglars have been brought in. He spoke to Enon and they will be looking into a joint crime watch program. Mr. Catanzaro explained that a lot of daytime burglaries had been occurring and that if cars don't belong there or people they haven't seen, please call. Trustee Estep asked if we are participating in a school shooting

training. Deputy Wagoner stated that German Township and Mad River Township are sponsoring it and it will be at Clark State.

Old Business:

Trustee McClure stated that the sensitivity training has already been covered.

Trustee Estep stated that everything was cleared with ODOT and the Clark County Commissioners for the speed limit change on Haddix. A big thanks to Jeremy Best for his assistance on the Storm Water Permit. Trustee Estep attended a storm water usage workshop last Friday at Cox Arboretum and a Scenic Mad River Meeting today at the firehouse. Being a part of this makes the township eligible for grants and other opportunities. The next meeting will be April 16 at 3:00.

Trustee McClure would like to schedule a drive around time on the township roads. This will be done Wednesday the 21st starting at 8:30, meeting at the firehouse; this will be a mobile work session.

Audience:

Mr. Miller from Fowler road and some neighbors are concerned about the location of the tornado siren on his property. Mrs. Estep explained that these sirens will be 360 degrees. Mr. Catanzaro explained that the siren company determined the most strategic placement of the sirens in order to reduce the number of sirens. Trustee Estep explained that the company we contracted with is Federal Signal. This company has been around for over 100 years and they utilized topography software and determined placement by existing easements. The purpose of tornado sirens is to notify people who are outdoors. The property owner called two different real estate companies to ask if this tornado siren will affect their property having it right next to the property. They were told by both companies that this will negatively affect their property. The representative from Federal Signal has been here on three separate occasions and he was the one who put the post in the locations where the sirens will be placed. Mr. McClure asked if the main concern is the noise from the monthly testing. They stated that yes but also that the property value will decrease. Trustee Estep spoke to a couple area real estate agents and was told that if there are existing utility poles in the area, the property value should not be impacted.

Trustee Estep explained that this is a federal grant that the Clark County EMA obtained. Mad River Township will be splitting the cost with the Village of Enon. 50% of the cost will be local match, 25% coming from the village and 25% from the township. .

Linda, Fairborn Harold, asked who performs the environmental impact study. Trustee Estep explained the County EMA and Chief Leist put together some information to be presented to the State EPA.

Ned Clark, township resident, asked how tall the tower will be. Chief Leist stated that it is 50 ft. He suggested that they move the location to the substation and just make the tower taller. Chief Leist addressed this, to raise it more than 50 feet, it would increase costs significantly in installation and maintenance.

Mr. Miller stated that they have a terrible water problem with the run off from Lindair Acres. Mr. O'Connor will take a look at it.

Lee Ernest, resident, asked if there will be a schedule of when the sirens will be tested. And also how the maintenance costs will be split with the Village. Dave explained that the National Weather Service will be the one to set off the sirens in an emergency situation. We will be able to test the sirens with and without sound. The maintenance will be done annually with whoever we contract with. Lee asked if they will only be used for tornados and Dave stated that it could be used for other emergency situations such as a gas plume heading for the township.

A question was asked how much it will cost to install a siren, it will cost \$22,000 per siren.

Marion Latislaw, Village resident, has empathy for this family. This family has no choice and she thinks that it is not fair. She also stated she was presented with figures that amounted to more than the amounts were are discussing. She also wanted to ask about the recently installed fence post on the property by the dock. She knows this is under county zoning and would like to know if the proper permits have been obtained.

Ned Clark asked how far the ladder truck will stretch. Dave stated that it can be a length of 72 ft. but it goes at an angle so it doesn't have a 72 foot reach.

Another resident asked if trees are a deterrent for the sirens. Trees should not be an issue.

There being no further audience comments, Mr. McClure motioned to enter into executive session to discuss personnel investigation issues, seconded by Trustee Estep, all trustees voting yes.

Trustees returned from executive session at 11:15 pm, motion by Mr. McClure, seconded by Mrs. Estep, all trustees voting yes.

Trustee Estep motioned to pass resolution 2012-001 to cooperate with the Clark County Board of Commissioners for the procurement and installation of tornado sirens to protect citizens in severe weather events. Second by Mr. McClure, all trustees voting yes.

There being no further business, Trustee Estep motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. McClure, all trustees voting yes.