

**Minutes of the
Mad River Township Board of Trustees Meeting
May 18, 2015**

Call to Order at 7:30 p.m. - Township Board of Trustees President Joe Catanzaro

Pledge of Allegiance

Township Trustee Robert McClure Jr. motioned to dispense with the reading of and to approve the minutes from the Monday, May 4, 2015 trustees' meeting. Catanzaro seconded. All trustees voting yes.

REPORTS

Roads and Cemetery

Road Superintendent/Cemetery Sexton Don O'Connor reported to trustees that he and his crew were busy weeding and mowing in the Enon Cemetery in preparation for the Memorial Day weekend.

O'Connor stated that the township had received five (5) military memorial plaques for the gravesites of local veterans buried in the cemetery.

He and his crew are making preparations for four funerals scheduled this week.

Memorial Day Ceremony on Sunday

O'Connor said he would be providing an electric cord for the VFW's memorial ceremony following the Memorial Day Parade on Sunday.

The memorial trees have arrived and are planted for the dedication ceremony along with two (2) stones.

Park

O'Connor reported that he and his crew had not done too much at the park because they had been concentrating a lot of time on time on the cemetery.

Enon and Mad River Township Fire and EMS

Fire and EMS Chief Tracy Young presented the Emergency Service Provider of the First Quarter 2015 Award to Ryan Shroyer.

Shroyer, a certified emergency medical technician (EMT) and paramedic, was selected by his coworkers to receive the award which is presented to four members of the township EMS department each year.

Young reported to trustees that the fire and EMS department responded to a total of 139 runs during the month of April, which consisted of 33 fire-related and 106 EMS runs. He also reported two (2) mutual aid runs.

Young acknowledged National EMS Week and jokingly said hug an EMT or paramedic.

Significant Events

May 10 - EMS crew paid a visit to a township residence after a 95-year-old male, who participates in the department's Safe and Sound Program, did not call into the dispatcher center that morning. The EMS team found the gentleman unconscious in his bed. They administered emergency aid and transported the male to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base Medical Center. Young said that "it goes to show you how vital the Safe and Sound Program is."

May 16 - Single-vehicle accident on Rebert Pike - Four (4) teen victims
Young noted that the teens were not seriously injured.

May 16, 2015 - The department participated in the Enon Epilepsy Walk

Caution to township residents

Chief Young reported to trustees that security was boosted to a level he had not seen in the 25 years he had worked at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Young had attended a briefing with the commander of Security Forces and other base personnel. He noted that he was brief on "pretty scary stuff."

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base raised its force protection level to Bravo, as did U.S. military bases throughout the country. Young had noticed more visible security at the base gates this week, including Security Forces airmen manning rifles.

Young cautioned township residents to be vigilant regarding their surroundings. If they see anything suspicious, call OSI (Office of Special Investigations) at (937) 257-3937.

Young reported to trustees that that Jimmy Powell (name ?) had submitted his resignation because he was relocating to Myrtle Beach, Florida.

Young also submitted the job application of Courtney Corbin, an EMT basic, for the trustees' approval. Corbin said she was looking forward to working with department members. She noted that her mother was a critical-care nurse which had an impact on her life. Corbin is a graduate of Greenon High School and resides in Echo Hills.

Hustead Fire Department

Fire Chief William (Bill) Young reported to trustees that the Hustead Fire Department had responded to 12 runs so far in the month of May.

Chef Young read aloud a letter he had received, dated May 12, stating that the fire department had been denied grant monies. According to the Department of Commerce, he noted, 418 departments had applied for the grant funding.

Fiscal Officer Maralee Leonard, Township Sheriff's Deputy Jeff Wise, and Hustead EMS Chief Heather Kaufman were not present.

Old Business

Township Trustee Kathy Estep announced that order forms for memorial trees would soon be available online at the township's official website. She said that the township was working with a web designer who is establishing a direct link to the online application.

Estep also mentioned that the Memorial Day ceremony would be held at the Enon Cemetery following the parade on Sunday. Bruce Kramer, pastor at Saint Andrew Lutheran Church, would be the speaker at the ceremony. The VFW will be dedicating four (4) memorial trees.

The parade will begin at 2 p.m. at Indian Valley Middle School, and the parade route will end near the cemetery. Lineup begins around 1 p.m.

Aggregation

Estep announced that township residents and businesses would be receiving information in the next week regarding the OPT-OUT electric aggregation program. She noted that households, who do not currently use Ohio Edison as their provider, would not be receiving a letter regarding the aggregation program.

The aggregated rate is 6.82 cents per kilowatt hour for a two-year period. Those rates should go into effect in July or August.

Those customers who participate in level billing would receive a letter, but the aggregated rate would not apply to those customers. Estep noted that an aggregated rate, which would include those customers on level billing, would be significantly higher.

Any Ohio Edison customer, who has any questions or wishes to opt out of the aggregated program, can contact Trebel at their toll-free telephone number: 877-861-2772.

New Business

Trustees unanimously approved the hiring of Courtney Corbin as part-time EMT.

Estep announced that the Clark County Community Development Department would be conducting their annual meeting on Wednesday, May 27 at the Springview Government Center. Trustees McClure and Catanzaro said they would attend.

- A discussion regarding tax abatements to be given to businesses

Estep announced that a community cleanup is schedule for Saturday, Oct. 10, 2015 at Indian Valley Middle School. She said that workers from the PRIDE program would be on hand at 8 a.m. to receive certain household items. The PRIDE workers would be accepting items until the garbage bins are filled. Greenon Local School District is co-sponsoring the cleanup. The township will be checking with the Village of Enon regarding their possible involvement.

Township Trustee McClure commended Enon and Mad River Township Fire and EMS for their outstanding teamwork at the scene of an one-vehicle accident on Rebert Pike. He said that it was "very rewarding to see such excellent service."

Comments from the Floor

Russell Harrod, who resides at Willow Run Court, reported to township trustees that several thefts had occurred in the Willows at Winding Creek Condominium subdivision. Residents had reported to Township Sheriff's Deputy Jeff Wise that several items in their front yards had been stolen.

Resident Kathy Clark, who resides at Cardinal Drive, asked Chief Tracy Young to clarify the phone number for OSI.

