Minutes October 7, 2014

The Mad River Township Trustees met in regular session on October 6, 2014. All trustees present. Fiscal Officer Leonard was not present.

Trustee Estep called the meeting to order at 7:35pm. Trustee Catanzaro moved to dispense with reading of the minutes. All aye. Trustee Catanzaro moved to approve the minutes, Trustee McClure seconded. All aye.

Joyce Ware of United Senior Services addressed the Board regarding the Nov 4 Levy renewal. She noted the increasingly aging population of the County.

Hustead Fire Chief Young reported that he took a group of firefighters to see a truck being assembled. Summit Fire Equipment came to the department to give a presentation on equipment. There wre 11 runs in September, which is average. Building repairs are needed.

Hustead EMS Chief Heather Kaufman was not present.

Don O'Connor reported that: Mowing will begin again. Patching and crack sealing is completed at hustead and Enon fire lots. He would like to seal Hustead again with liquid sealer. Holiday Valley catch basins are finished. Hunters Glen will be done next. Brush trimming will begin on Jackson Road & others. 35 mph speed limit signs are up on Broadway. Hustead school signs are removed. Headstone foundations have been poured. Salt is not yet in.

Jeff Wise reported that:

He is coordinating with Enon PD on Apple Butter Festival.

Trick or Treat is Oct 25 6-8pm.

The car has not been sold. Average price, according to County garage is \$1,000 to \$1,500 depending on condition. Bob asked for appraisal. Don and Jeff will research value. An offer of \$600 has been made.

Enon Fire/EMS Chief Young held a promotion ceremony for John Heath and Kurt Werner. Trustee Estep administered their Oath of Office as Lieutenants. They were pinned by their wives.

There have been 1,387 runs to date this year. 162 in September.

As it is Fire Prevention Week, they have been visiting schools.

Chief wishes to remind everyone to check alarms, furnaces and fireplaces.

Chief praised the department and a postal employee for quick action regarding the dump truck accident.

A new hire packet and specs for a new medic were presented.

Old Business:

Trustee Estep reported:

Community cleanup day was successful. \$258 was brought in from metal. Total cost was split with the village at \$670.37.

The Open House to discuss Aggregation was well attended on Sept 30.

A special meeting to discuss drainage will be held on Oct 13 at 7pm.

The Storm Water Permit work has been completed. A big thanks to Jereme Best for his work.

The public was reminded that the road levy is on the ballot. It is only 1.7 mills. Cost of about \$1 a week for a home with a taxable value of \$100,000. It is needed to repair and protect the township roads.

New Business:

Chief Bill Young brought the issue of visibility on the bike path at Hustead Road to the attention of trustees due to a brush problem. The road crew will take care of it asap.

Mr. McClure mentioned the need for an executive session to discuss hiring of employees after the public has an opportunity to address the board.

Public:

Enon Eagle reporter Kathy Voytko asked what the township paid in salaries for Dispatchers. It is \$80,371 with OPERS benefits. 70% paid by Mad River and 30% paid by Green townships.

Ned Clark had the following questions regarding aggregation, responses were given by Trustee Estep:

- 1. Q: If it passes, when will a vendor be selected. R: We do not have a specific time frame.
- 2. Q: How many, if any, were considered? R; No others were seriously considered. As the township is not paying them, there is no requirement that the service be bid out.
- 3. Q: Why was so much credibility given to Trebel? R: They have a relationship with the Ohio Township Association and were highly recommended by Bethel Township.
- 4. Q: Is it an ethics violation that Mr. Garrett works for Trebel? R: The township is not aware of a specific ethical violation. The Ohio Ethics Commission has not made any findings against them.

Linda Collins, reporter for Fairborn Daily Herald said that there have been some concerns from residents of Bethel Township that they have not yet received their "opt out" letters and they are close to or over the 100 day limit.

Mr. McClure moved to go into executive session to discuss the hiring of employees. Seconded by Mr. Catanzaro. All trustees aye.

Mr. Catanzaro moved to return from executive session. Seconded by Mr. McClure. All trustees aye.

Mr. Catanzaro moved to add the following individuals to the Fire/EMS Department: John Clark, Curtis Triplett, Michael Gardone, James Powell, Alexander Wallace. Seconded by Mr. McClure. All trustees aye.

Trustee Catanzaro moved to adjourn, seconded by trustee McClure, all trustees aye.