

Mad River Township Trustees met in regular session Monday December 1, 2014. Trustee McClure, Trustee Estep, Trustee Catanzaro present, Fiscal Officer Leonard also present.

Trustee Estep called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Trustee Catanzaro to dispense with the reading of the November 17, 2014 minutes, seconded by Trustee McClure, all trustees voting yes.

Motion to approve the November 17, 2014 minutes by Trustee Catanzaro, seconded by Trustee McClure, all trustees voting yes.

Reports:

Chief Tracy Young – 1657 runs for the year. Trending towards the 1800 mark for the year. Went over significant events. The VHF Radio is streaming live. You can listen via smartphone app, anywhere in the world.

Trustee Estep asked for Christmas tree advice: Tracy said to keep them watered. They will go up quick when they dry out. They are hot fires that spread quickly. Check all your lights and be safe with candles. Make sure your chimney gets checked and cleaned before use and have your furnace inspected too.

Deputy Wise – checked west Jackson property, there is nothing the twp can do; this will be referred to county zoning. This Sat, at 8 am they are doing shop with a cop with the Enon Police Dept. If residents see anything suspicious, please notify the sheriff's dept.

Trustee McClure was by the Collier road junk yard today and the vehicles are coming out of the fencing. He asked what can be done about the Hustead/Tecumseh property. Deputy Wise explained the trustees can have a hearing and then tow the vehicles. Trustee McClure would like to set a date and move on this property. The next meeting, Dec 15, will be the deadline to reach the owner and then the next step will be taken.

Trustee Catanzaro would like to thank Deputy Wise for participating and representing the township in the shop with a cop event.

Chief Bill Young – 112 runs through the end of Nov. 20% increase for the year. Most being illegal burns and vehicle accidents.

Don O'Connor – They will be doing some ditch work on Old Mill Road by the Boone. The Road edges have eroded. The road salt company is unloading the barge now, salt should be arriving Wed. New price quotes for the new 350 plow is \$5,000. The 350 was repaired in house, the hydraulic hose broke.

Cemetery has slowed down for the season. Grave decorations are blowing due to winds. People should put names on the decorations and they will be returned if possible to the correct grave.

Trustee Catanzaro pointed out another bad place on Old Mill. He asked Don to call the county on this.

Trustee McClure would like to motion with a second by Trustee Catanzaro to purchase the new plow for the 350, all trustees voting yes.

Chief Kaufman will be at the joint meeting tomorrow night.

Old Business: Trustee Catanzaro brought up the snow emergency declaration and would not like to start towing vehicles. He would like to continue to communicate to the residents to keep the cars off the road but does not want to ticket or tow vehicles. Trustee McClure doesn't disagree. He feels we don't have the manpower to enforce it consistently. A discussion ensued. Trustee Estep would like to ask people to move their cars out of the road in a snow event. The Trustees would like to place signage beneath speed limit signs asking residents to move their cars off the road in the case of a snow event.

Trustee Estep was contacted by Andrew Pickering. Because the county prosecutor's office represents the Board of Elections, the Auditor's office and Mad River Township, a special prosecutor from Green County will be appointed to the Township.

A public hearing to discuss Aggregation will be Sat Dec 13 at 10:00 am and Monday Dec 15 at 6:00 pm here at the firehouse.

Monday Dec 8 there will be a public meeting to discuss the Westcat Bus Service at the Village of Enon. Trustee Estep stated the usage is consistent and building ridership. In the first 10 months of this year, they had exceeded the ridership for the 12 months of last year.

New Business: None

Audience:

Kathy Clark asked if the WARN system could be activated to ask people to move their cars for snow events. Tracy explained that there is a cost to activate the system but that about 85% would be reached via the system. Trustee Estep asked Tracy to check into this to see if this would be an appropriate use of the system.

Kathy Voytko asked for the Santa parade dates, Fri Dec. 12, 5:30 – 8:30.

The other question is for Deputy Wise. Last year cars were ticketed, Deputy Wise explained they were not tickets; they were warnings for cars not being moved within 48 hours.

Mr. Clark asked about the Westcat. Mr. Clark and his wife rode the route and had very good service, the bus was clean, wheelchair accessible, and had video cameras. He brought up a PRR he sent via certified mail and it wasn't received until 2 weeks later.

There being no further business, Trustee Catanzaro motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee McClure, all trustees voting yes.