

MAD RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Regular Session – August 21, 2017

The Mad River Township Trustees met in regular session Monday, August 21, 2017.

Present: Trustees Kathy Estep, Bob McClure and Joe Catanzaro and Fiscal Officer David Rudy.

Trustee Estep called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Fiscal Officer Rudy asked for a moment of silence for the friends and families of the 4 teen boys involved in the tragic auto accident on August 20<sup>th</sup> that took the lives of 2 of the boys.

Trustee Catanzaro moved to dispense the reading of the minutes of the August 7, 2017 regular session, seconded by Trustee McClure. Motion carried 3-0.

Trustee McClure moved to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2017 regular session, seconded by Trustee Catanzaro. Motion carried 3-0.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **Hustead Fire**

Chief Larry Ridenour stated that the department went on 3 runs over the last 2 weeks. On August 8, they conducted the safety walk at Greenon High School. The school passed with the exception of a few minor items. The department will be attending Family Day at the Guard Base on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Chief Ridenour reminded the Trustees of the Joint Board meeting scheduled for September 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Enon Fire and EMS**

Acting Chief Elmer Beard stated the department has been on 1277 runs year to date. The Department supported the Enon Police department at the Speedy Freeze 5k. On 8/27, the department will cover the Enon Police Truck/Car Show. Chief Beard stated that the phones had been installed in the dispatcher's homes and they are working through a few issues. Parts have been ordered to tie in the 3<sup>rd</sup> line. Nick Williams has done a good job of keeping Elmer in the loop. Chief Beard presented an application for Chelsea Brooks who is available for the Fast track program.

### **Hustead EMS**

Chief Heather Kauffman stated the department covered 40 runs in July compared to 29 runs for July 2016. Year to date runs are 255 compared to 230 for 2016. The department covered the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Clark County Fair. Chief Kauffman stated the department transported 2 individuals from the Pig and Calf scramble at the Fair. The department attended National Night Out and passed out goody bags. The Medic 95 incurred over \$8,000 in repairs including a fuel leak and bad tires. Trustee Catanzaro asked if the department was having issues with staffing and if the department had any ideas for recruitment. Chief Kauffman stated that it seems to be an issue for a number of smaller departments as personnel move on to full time jobs. Scott Kauffman stated that Hustead had no communication with Nick Williams on the telecommunications project and the installation of the new equipment created problems with the network.

### **Road and Cemetery**

Don O'Connor was not present.

Fiscal Officer Rudy was mentioned the Budget Hearing for the Fiscal 2018 budget on Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Trustee Estep stated that the OPWC grant for Old Mill Road was given local priority points and was in the running for being approved. The grants will be decided later in September.

Trustee McClure stated that Husted and Arthur Roads have been paved.

Trustee Catanzaro stated that work was continuing on Joseph Drive.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee McClure moved to have an executive session after the audience comments for the purpose of personnel issues. Seconded by Trustee Catanzaro, motion carried 3-0.

Trustee Estep asked if it was the recommendation of the officers and Chief Beard to hire Ms. Brooks. Chief Beard proved the interview score sheet and said that he and the officers did recommend her for hire.

Trustee Estep provided an update on the Community Against Mining (CAM) public meeting that was held on August 20<sup>th</sup>. The lawsuit filed by Enon Sand and Gravel (ESG) against Clark County is because ESG feels it should not have to go through the Board of Zoning Appeals for the conditional use. The county is using the insurance company attorney to fight the suit. Several families involved with CAM are filing an appeal with the Ohio Reclamation Board and there is not a timeline for this process. Trustee Estep reminded the public that the Township does not have a standing right to appeal the process. An online presentation is available. ESG is not challenging Garrison Road and part of the Echo Hills area. They appear to just be focusing on the old part of Demmy's Gravel Pit.

Trustee McClure moved to proceed with the hiring of Chelsea Brooks. Seconded by Trustee Estep, motion carried 3-0.

## **AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Mr. Ned Clark asked if the township had a documents commission. Trustee Estep stated that one was not established yet since the township did not have a formal records disposal policy at present.

Mrs. Kathy Voytko mentioned the nuisance property at 6012 South Tecumseh Road. She asked if the owner ever responded to the requests to clean up the property. It was discussed that Deputy Wise made numerous attempts to resolve the issue; however he was told not to trespass on the property. The property owners have filed bankruptcy, which suspends all attempts to have the property cleaned up.

Mr. Eric Stacy asked the Trustees to disregard future anonymous letters that break the chain of command and cause problems for the department.

Mr. Scott Kauffman discussed the paving of Mosier Road a few years ago. He mentioned the fact that close to his house there were already and number of holes. He stated that he was told the aggregate was running short when it was paved so the depth was not where it needed to be. The Trustees stated that the county engineer should be notified to look at that part of the road.

Mr. Stacy asked how much money had been spent on following up on the anonymous letters regarding Chief Young and Chief Leist.

With no further comments, Trustee McClure moved to enter the executive session at 8:30 pm, seconded by Trustee Catanzaro, motion carried 3-0. Trustee Estep noted that no action would be taken after the executive session.

Trustee Catanzaro moved to come out of executive session at 9:30 pm. Seconded by Trustee Estep, motion carried 3-0

At 9:31 pm, Trustee Catanzaro moved to adjourn, seconded by Trustee McClure. Motion carried 3-0.