

MAD RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Session – August 7, 2017

The Mad River Township Trustees met in regular session Monday, August 7, 2017.

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

Trustee Estep called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Catanzaro moved to dispense the reading of the minutes of the July 17, 2017 regular session and the August 2, 2017 special session, seconded by Trustee McClure. Motion carried 3-0.

Trustee McClure moved to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2017 regular session and the August 2, 2017 special session, seconded by Trustee Catanzaro. Motion carried 3-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Hustead EMS

Chief Heather Kauffman was not present.

Road and Cemetery

Don O'Connor was not present.

Hustead Fire

Chief Larry Ridenour stated that the department went on 9 runs over the last 3 weeks. Larry noted that the department had an engine at the Clark County Fair and an engine and tanker at the Enon National Night Out. The inspection for Greenon Local Schools is scheduled for August 8th. On September 10th the department will be represented at the Guard Base for Family Day's.

Enon Fire and EMS

Acting Chief Elmer Beard stated the department has been on 1214 runs year to date. He had been in contact with Nick Williams regarding the phone project. The equipment was being installed at the dispatch locations and training was planned for the dispatchers. Upcoming community events include the 5K run and the annual Enon Cruise-In. The department participated in the National Night Out.

Fiscal Officer Rudy was not present at the time of reports.

Joe Garrett from Treibel was present to talk about the gas aggregation contract. The contract is set to expire at the end of October. There was some discussion about the natural gas agreement. Mr. Garrett recommended Volunteer Energy with a 2 year contract beginning in November 2017.

Trustee McClure moved to accept the recommendation from Treibel to enter into a two year agreement with Volunteer Energy to be the provider of natural gas through the Township's Aggregation program. Seconded by Trustee Catanzaro, motion carried 3-0. (Resolution 2017-20)

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Estep provided an update on the OPWC grant for Old Mill Road. The max available for Mad River Township is \$150,000.

The request has been made from Bath Township to renew an old agreement for the Maintenance Agreement of Mud Run Road. It takes about \$100,000 to resurface the township's portion of Mud Run. Mad River Township gives the portion of the tax revenue received to Bath Township for them to maintain

the road. Trustee McClure motioned to enter into a new agreement with Bath Township for the maintenance of Mud Run. Seconded by Trustee Catanzaro, motion carried 3-0. (Resolution 2017-21)

Trustee McClure stated that Arthur Road had been paved on August 4th and 5th and Husted Road would be paved on August 8th.

Trustee Estep stated that she had been contacted by Chief Wilcox about a donation of \$750.00 to help with the cost of the National Night Out.

Trustee Estep provided an update on the Enon Sand and Gravel (ESG) quarry. A federal lawsuit was filed by ESG against the county over the conditional use zoning. Clark County Sewer and Water prepared a statement on the gravel pit with concerns about the quality and quantity of the water and the loss of farmland in the county. Also, Citizens Against Mining will be holding another informational meeting at Greenon High School on August 20, 2017.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Catanzaro noted that he had received an email from the Health Department about spraying areas of the township for mosquitos. Trustee Catanzaro expressed his concerns over the nuisance properties with the high grass. He feels the township should step in and mow some of the properties for the betterment of the township. Trustee Estep expressed some concerns about not going through the formal process for the nuisance abatement and noted that the full time deputy is very helpful in the process. Trustee McClure said that he had spoken to the deputy that the township agreed to hire part time about some properties and that he was willing to start the abatement process for a number of the problem residents.

Trustee McClure motioned to approve an alternative method of apportionment of the Local Government Fund of Clark County Ohio for a period of 3 years, commencing with the distribution in 2018. Seconded by Trustee Catanzaro, motion carried 3-0. (Resolution 2017-22)

Trustee Catanzaro moved to adjourn to an executive session for the purpose of discussing employment in the township after the audience comments. Seconded by Trustee McClure, motion carried 3-0.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Prior to the first comment, Trustee Estep reiterated that the Trustees do not discuss personnel issues in public.

Mr. Ned Clark mentioned the public records request he received and asked about the allegations in the letter.

Mr. Jeremy Leist representing the Enon-Mad River Volunteer Fire Association read a letter addressed to the citizens of Enon/Mad River Township and the Trustees.

Mr. Chris Price stated the department has good people and the EMS Association is the backbone of the department. He feels there are some problems in the department that need to be addressed.

Mrs. Kathy Voytko wanted the Trustees to assure the community that the EMS/Fire Department would continue to have 24 hour coverage for the residents. Trustee Estep stated that full coverage was the mission of the department which includes a group of very dedicated people.

With no further comments, Trustee McClure moved to enter the executive session at 8:25pm, 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.