

MAD RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Session –November 6, 2017

The Mad River Township Trustees met in regular session Monday, November 6, 2017.

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

Trustee Estep called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Catanzaro moved to dispense the reading of the minutes of the October 16, 2017 regular session, seconded by Trustee McClure. Motion carried 3-0.

Trustee McClure moved to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2017, seconded by Trustee Catanzaro. Motion carried 3-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Enon Fire and EMS

Acting Chief Elmer Beard stated the department had 1764 runs year to date. There were multiple runs after the storms on November 5th for high water, power outages, welfare checks and other storm damage. The phone system is still being adjusted and the echo on the dispatch lines has not been completely eliminated. JD Power will be scheduling the generator repairs as the parts have arrived. Chief reported that the Lifepak 15s were currently in service and that the ESO patient care reporting software was nearly operational. An update was rolled out by the software company on November 1, so they are waiting until November 15th to go live. All department personnel have been trained. The fire reporting software will be live on December 1st. Chief Beard noted that the open house on beggar's night was very successful and well attended. The department is purchasing 4 sets of fire protective gear and Chief Beard would like to have 55 sets of old PPE declared as obsolete and disposed of. The gear is no longer NFPA compliant.

Hustead Fire

Chief Larry Ridenour stated his department had been on 14 runs in the last 3 weeks, including multiple auto accidents, fire alarms, storm damage, lift assists, illegal burn, and a call for a man whose arm was stuck in an industrial machine. One of the auto accidents led to a first responder from Springfield Township being injured while responding to the original incident. The firefighter will have a long recovery after losing part of his leg. On October 25th, Jerry Beekman brought in a 4 x 4 house structure with multiple vents, that allowed the department to do some smoke training. Chief stated that the pumps and gauges on all trucks had been repaired and the vehicles were ready for winter. Chief wanted to remind the public with the heating season approaching to be cautious with space heaters and watch for carbon monoxide in fire places and with the furnaces. The department Christmas party will be held December 6th.

Hustead EMS

Chief Heather Kauffman stated the department had 34 runs in October compared to 46 runs in October 2016. Year to date totals are 367 in 2017 compared to 331 for 2016. Chief Kauffman stated the EMA trailer was going to be located at the Hustead station for 1 week so the department could familiarize themselves with it, before it is moved to Enon. Heather said that she was working with the Greenon Local Schools, the Ohio State Patrol and the Clark County Sheriff Department to organize a distracted driving program for the schools. A date has not been set. Heather also reported that the phone system seemed to be operating well at the station, but they were dealing with some intermittent internet issues.

Road and Cemetery

Don O'Connor stated there were 2 catch basins left to repair in Hunters Glen and 3 to repair in Holiday Valley. He planned to start the ditching work in Tecumseh Acres, Grandview Heights and Lindair Acres. The pipe at the Boone Saloon corner is still an issue, as it appears to come from the Haulman property toward Old Mill Road. Don stated they were working on the final road mowing for the season but had the lift cylinder break on the road mower. In the cemetery, Don reported that mowing and weed eating were continuing, the fall graves were started to be sodded and all of the foundations had been poured. Don reported that a number of roads were closed at some point due to high water, including Snyder Road which had about 18" of water covering it near the sod farm. In the park, the graffiti had been washed off

the bench and tables and there will need to be mulch added next spring. Trustee McClure stated that the county was going to look at the Boone Saloon corner.

Fiscal Officer Rudy presented the October reports to the Trustees for their review.

OLD BUSINESS

The Trustees agreed to move forward with the nuisance property at the corner of Hustead and South Tecumseh Roads.

Trustee McClure brought forward a copy of the legal notice from the newspaper that stated Enon Sand and Gravel was looking for an application for antidegradation project to discharge water in the unknown tributaries and Mud Run creek. Trustee McClure noted that Mud Run cannot handle more water. Trustee Estep stated that the Trustees would be asking for a public hearing to be held in Mad River Township. According to the Citizens Against Mining, a public hearing would not take place unless there was a large public outcry against the action. Trustee Estep stated she would be reaching out to the Clark County Commissioners, the Village of Enon, the engineer's office as well as the Clark County Community Development board.

Trustee Estep asked for the public to support the .8 mill Sheriff Levy on Tuesday's ballot, that would support a 40 hour a week deputy to patrol the township. She feels it is an important service for the residents of the township in preventing crime.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Catanzaro wanted to thank all of the people who came for the Rocky Point Bridge Historical Marker reception before the meeting especially his brother David in the audience.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Mrs. Nancy Abel voiced her concerns over the condition of the cemetery. She stated that her husband had been buried there for 22 years and that the conditions on head stones not being weeded and the grass needing mowed were getting worse. The new rules were supposed to help, but she did not see any improvement. She stated she would not be opposed to a levy to help pay for the maintenance of the cemetery. She did appreciate the return calls from the Trustees. Trustee Catanzaro stated that it would be addressed.

Mrs. Dorothy Drake asked if there could be some sign improvements in the township, including the signs that show the speed of the driver, especially at the area surrounding the high school. The Trustees stated that the Sheriff Department does loan the speed sign to areas and it is something that could be looked into. She also mentioned the stop sign at Jackson and Fowler. Trustee McClure stated that the county would not make the Fowler Road a non-stop location due to the hill and line of sight for each direction.

Mrs. Diana McCubbin asked if there was equipment available to help with the squad on the lift assists. The village was recently made aware of the matching grants from the BWC. Chief Beard stated that the department had ordered a second power cot, but that does not always address the issue, due to the configuration of some homes, or if the patient is located on the floor. He also mentioned the department had used the safety grant previously and there was a waiting period on how quickly you could apply again.

Mrs. Marianne wanted to thank the township for providing the residents with a place to go on Trick or Treat. Some people who lived in the area for 21 years had never been to the fire house.

Mrs. Kathy Voytko asked about the extra costs that government entities were to be hit with from OPEC-HC situation and how that would affect the township. Trustee Estep stated that the issue was being looked at and the township was working with a new broker, the same as the township to address the issue. Mrs. Voytko also brought up the flooding concerns for the citizens living on Southern Vista and Green Meadows after the heavy rains. She felt the signs were not placed timely and wondered if caution high water area signs could be placed permanently. Trustee McClure responded that the signs could have been placed earlier, but the problem is the plate was not designed properly to discharge the water and the best fixes would cost millions of dollars. The county is looking at the issue with the new school that will be constructed on Enon Xenia Road, but there is no easy fix.

Mrs. Kathy Clark asked if a deal could be worked out with Enon Sand and Gravel to pay for flooding prevention if they want to discharge water into Mud Run. Trustee McClure stated that all the creeks and small rivers in the area need to be dredged out.

Mrs. Marion Ladislaw stated that in the final report for County Development the White Oak development near the VFW was still in the plans and is definitely an area that does not need developed. She asked the Trustees to continue to do what they could to stop any development there.

At 8:33 pm, Trustee Catanzaro moved to adjourn, seconded by Trustee McClure. Motion carried 3-0.