

MAD RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Session – October 4, 2021

The Mad River Township Trustees met in regular session Monday, October 4, 2021 at the Enon Mad River Township fire station and via Facebook Live.

Present: Trustees Bob McClure, Todd Pettit, Jay Young and Fiscal Officer David Rudy.

Trustee McClure called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm, led the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed the audience in attendance.

Trustee Pettit moved to suspend the reading of and approve the minutes of the September 20, 2021 regular session. Seconded Trustee Young motion carried 3-0.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Hustead Fire

Chief Matt Hirtzinger did not provide a report.

Hustead EMS

Chief Heather Kaufman did not provide a report.

Enon Fire and EMS

Chief Tim Wendling presented the run statistics:

	YTD 2021	October 2021 (MTD)	September 2021
Runs	1498	17 (1 fire/16 ems)	174 (36 fire/127 ems/11 other) 18 overlapping
Mutual Aid Given		0	7
Mutual Aid Received		7	18

Chief noted the ladder truck front springs had been repaired. Training has continued with the new school and the evacuation chairs and the department will work with school on the Homecoming Parade and bonfire. The new sign is operating in front of the station and a plaque has been ordered for the dedication to Gary Simpson. Trustees were given an application for Mr. Taylor Bennington to vote on for employment. The DEF light sensor is still lit on Engine 50 but is not causing an operation problem and an O2 sensor light is on the Battalion. Tim also mentioned the department would be working the Apple Butter Festival with the EMA trailer on site and crew on site.

Road Department

Don O'Connor stated that Lindair Acres, the old site of the cemetery and the parking lot of the firehouse was chip and sealed and will be fog sealed. Some of the road name signs in Holiday Valley were needing replacement. Road mowing will continue. The cemetery will pour foundations. Mowing and weed eating are ongoing. The cemetery has had a number of funerals. Trustees asked about the employment situation and commitments for snow plowing. A new truck is still in the works and other options are being considered.

Sheriff Deputy

Deputy Brandon Baldwin was on a call but later dropped off his report which included 32 calls, 0 arrests, 2 traffic stops and 3 assists of other departments from September 20, 2021 to October 4, 2021. Some nuisance properties will need addressed again.

Fiscal Officer Rudy presented the bank reconciliation and monthly reports for August. The property purchase is moving forward.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Young attended the county meeting last week and Commissioner Rick Lohnes was in attendance and is really looking into what the money can be used for. The county is looking to spend \$100,000 of the money they receive to hire the Greentree Group to hold workshops to help the townships with the process. The spending of funds will be reviewed more than the Cares Act funds. We can use the money to hire a lawyer to review what the township would be spending the funds on. Some possible items included reimbursement for Brandon's salary, dispatching. The reimbursement money flows into the general fund which allows for more flexible spending. There is a formula for revenue loss that could lead to additional reimbursement. There will also be a meeting with the prosecutor and the townships. The total money that will be available will be \$880,000 of which \$440,000 has been received.

Trustee McClure mentioned the application for the ODOT grant money that is available to help with road and other projects.

NEW BUSINESS

Taylor Bennington was present and spoke about growing up in Enon, attending Greenon and felt he would be a valuable asset to the department. His father is employed by the police department in Fairborn, which helped him lean toward public service. Trustee Pettit moved to hire Mr. Taylor Bennington. Seconded by Trustee Young, motion carried 3-0.

Trustee Young mentioned to Don about an email for a missing stop sign on Echo Drive.

Trustee McClure stated the need for an executive session for the purpose of talking about the hiring of a public employee.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Mrs. Marian Ladislav was proud of the township for having the recycling center available to the residents. She uses the center frequently.

At 8:02 pm, Trustee McClure motioned to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussion the hiring of a public employee. Seconded by Trustee Pettit, motion carried 3-0.

At 9:24 pm, Trustee Young moved to come out of executive session. Seconded by Trustee Pettit, motion carried 3-0.

Trustee Young mentioned that Husted had the parking lot swept and fog sealed and he had received a good email from Lindair Acres about the chip and seal. The trustees want to remind the residents of Lindair that the roads will be swept after a period of time and fog sealed.

At 9:27 pm, Trustee Pettit moved to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Young. Motion carried 3-0.